

**VILLAGE OF ROCKTON**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**

**May 15, 2018**

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Present were: Mayor Adams, Mr. Fridly, Mrs. Honkamp, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Magnus, Mrs. May, Mr. Winters and Atty. Aaron Szeto

Staff present: Dan Barber, Chief Dickson and Tricia Diduch

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Fridly, to waive the reading of the May 1, 2018 Village Board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Fridly, to approve the May 1, 2018 Village Board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Diane LaForge spoke to the Village Board about an activity center for citizens 50 and over (50 North) that they are starting at the Community Centre in Rockton. Ms. LaForge explained the 501(c)(3) program and provided a copy of their preliminary 2018 budget to the Village Board. Ms. LaForge and several of the board of directors spoke and advised that they were also looking for funding to help get the program started.

Kevin Mueller, owner of the Gem Shop, spoke in reference to the Downtown Streetscape Plan and thanked the Village Board for their willingness to consider a beautification plan. Mr. Mueller stated that he will support anything that doesn't include parallel parking downtown and said that he is aware that nothing is set in stone and there will be changes to the plan.

Shelly Day, manager for the Gem Shop, advised that she was attending the meeting in reference to the approval of Ordinance 2018-15 so that they could place an advertising sign across from the high school. Ms. Day stated that she could answer any questions that the Village Board may have in reference to the sign.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

Mayor Adams read the Motorcycle Awareness Month Proclamation to the Village Board. Motion by Mr. Winters to allow Mayor Adams to sign the proclamation, second by Mr. Peterson. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

None.

**ZONING**

Motion by Mrs. May to approve Resolution 2018-114: Approving a Final Plat No. of Old River Hills Subdivision, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve ordinance 2018-15: Approving a Variance for an Off-Premise Advertising Sign at 500 E. Main St. for the Gem Shop & Diamond Source, LLC, second by Mr. Fridly. Mayor Adams advised the Village Board that the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) denied the request. Atty. Szeto advised the Village Board that since the request came from the ZBA with a negative recommendation there would need to be a super majority vote (2/3) in order to approve the ordinance along with positive findings and facts in support of the hardship. Mr. Winters asked how long the sign would be up and Ms. Day stated one to two months. Mr. Magnus asked if the Gem Shop has received permission from the property owner and Ms. Day said that they were waiting to get approval from the Village first before she approached them. Mr. Peterson commented that he believes the Village Board needs to honor the

Planning Commission and ZBA. Roll call. Ayes: Mr. Winters, Mrs. Honkamp and Mr. Magnus. Nays: Mr. Fridly, Mr. Peterson and Mrs. May. Motion denied 3-3.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL – MR. WINTERS**

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve the special use liquor licenses for Prairie Street Brewing Company, Rookie's and FIBS for the Rockton River Market with the stipulation of state certification, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0. Atty. Szeto inquired about who will follow up to make sure that the businesses have their state certification and the Village Clerk advised that Ms. Hughes processes all of the liquor licenses for the Village and she will verify their state certification.

**ADMINISTRATION – MRS. HONKAMP**

None.

**WATER, SEWER, AND GARBAGE – MR. FRIDLIDY**

Motion by Mr. Fridly to waive the bid process for the emergency well rehabilitation, second by Mr. Winters. Mr. Fridly stated that they simply had to waive the bid process since this was an emergency repair. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Fridly to approve the purchase requisition for Cahoy Group for emergency well rehabilitation of Well #10 in the amount of \$28,500, second by Mr. Winters. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET – MR. PETERSON**

Motion by Mr. Peterson to make the draft budget (2018-2019) available in the Village Clerk's office, second by Mr. Fridly. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0. Mr. Winters stated that there will be a special Village Board meeting on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm to discuss the budget.

**BUILDINGS AND PARKS – MRS. MAY**

Motion by Mrs. May to approve the special events application for the OSD 5K on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 8 am at Hononegah High School, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. May to approve the special events application for OSD from June 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> at Settlers Park, second by Mr. Winters. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. May to approve the special events application for the Rockton River Market at Settlers Park throughout the summer on Wednesday nights, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mrs. May to approve the transfer of \$1,500 from the general fund to the Hut Program, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**STREETS AND WALKS – MR. MAGNUS**

Motion by Mr. Magnus to approve the purchase requisition for Standard Equipment for parts to repair the street sweeper in the amount of \$1,484.03, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Magnus to approve the Jack Lovejoy Memorial for street signs on E. Franklin Street from Ferry to Kocher Streets, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Magnus to approve the low bid for patchwork from Stenstrom in the amount of \$59,803.96, second by Mrs. May. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Magnus to approve the Downtown Streetscape Plan contingent to reevaluating the 100 block of W. Main Street parking, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. Ayes: Mr. Winters, Mrs. Honkamp, Mr. Fridly, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Magnus. Abstentions: Mrs. May. Motion approved 5-0-1.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ACTION ON ITEMS ARISING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Peterson, to pay bills in the amount of \$728,154.47. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**ADJOURN**

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mrs. May, to adjourn at 7:32 pm. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart  
Village Clerk