

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

**June 20, 2017**

Mayor Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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

Staff present: Dan Barber and Tricia Diduch

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Peterson, to waive the reading of the June 6, 2017 Village Board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mrs. Peterson, to approve the June 6, 2017 Village Board meeting minutes. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

Mr. Fridly stated that he would like to add waiving the bid process for the Highway 75 relocation project to the agenda under himself. Motion by Mr. Winters to approve the amendments to the agenda, second by Mr. Peterson. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Brian Capezio, owner of Village Loft, expressed his concern to the Village Board about the Highway 75 construction project and how that is affecting the downtown businesses. Mr. Capezio stated that the businesses are struggling and that there is a stigma attached to the downtown area now because of the construction as a place to avoid. Mr. Capezio said that the downtown businesses need to be supported in order for them to remain open. Mr. Capezio asked for support from the Village to help with a shopping event that is currently being planned for July 15, 2017 by some of the downtown business owners.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing at 7:04 pm in regards to the appropriation of funds for the operation of the Village of Rockton, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2018. No comments or questions were heard from the public. Mayor Adams closed the public hearing at 7:05 pm.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

Mayor Adams stated that he did receive a couple letters that were discussed in committees and that he would get a copy of the letter he received from Cyndy Fogarty, owner of County Cottage, requesting support from the Village for their shopping event that will be held on July 15, 2017. Mayor Adams stated that Ms. Fogarty was asking for help with postage.

Mayor Adams said that he also received an email from Megan Forsythe expressing her concern about the traffic lights on Highway 75. Mayor Adams added that there was a question from Representative Sosnowski's office as well.

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

None.

**ZONING**

None.

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

Motion by Mr. Winters to approve a purchase requisition for Stalker Radar/ Applied Concepts for the replacement of moving radar units for the police department at a cost of \$2,474, second by Mr. Fridly. Mr. Winters stated that this was to replace radar units that are 15 years old and that they are replacing a few each year. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

### **ADMINISTRATION – MRS. HONKAMP**

Motion by Mrs. Honkamp to approve the purchase requisition from Bud Weiser for a 2017 Chevy Trax for 24 months with two annual payments of \$8,951.88 with an end value of \$1.00, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Fridly to allow the Zoning Administrator to drive the vehicle home with limited personal use, second by Mr. Peterson. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

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

Motion by Mr. Fridly to approve the GPS/GIS field collection proposal from C.E.S. at a cost of \$25,000, second by Mrs. May. Mr. Fridly stated that this is the second year doing this and that the Village is trying to get all of the water and sewer systems electronically mapped and included in WINGIS. Mr. Fridly advised that C.E.S., WINGIS and the Village will have all of the mapping information. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Fridly to waive the bidding process for N-Trak for the Highway 75 water main relocation project, second by Mrs. May. Mr. Fridly stated that the bidding process needs to be waived simply because of time constraints. Mr. Fridly said that the project needs to get done and that the Village did get proposals, but didn't go through the bidding process. Mr. Fridly advised that N-Trak came in with the lowest numbers for the project. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Fridly to approve N-Trak to complete the Highway 75 water main relocation project at a cost of \$115,486.47, second by Mr. Peterson. Mr. Fridly stated that the state designed their storm sewer to go through the Village's water system that is in their right of way. Mr. Fridly added that the water system, which was approved when the Village put it there, now has to be moved at our cost. Mr. Fridly stated that Rockford Blacktop gave the Village a price for a portion of the job, but not the total job. Mr. Fridly said that the combined price with the underground pushes that Mr. Barber found was higher than N-Trak. Mr. Fridly added that N-Trak's price was \$99,150 and the Village is purchasing the material in the amount of \$16,335.47 which totals the \$115,486.47. Mrs. May stated that Mr. Barber saved the Village \$20,000 by purchasing the materials directly rather than through a contractor. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

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

Motion by Mr. Peterson to approve Ordinance 2017-16: An Ordinance Approving the Appropriation of Funds for the Operation of the Village of Rockton for the Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2017 and Ending May 31, 2018, second by Mr. Winters. Mr. Peterson thanked everyone for their hard work on the budget. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Peterson to approve Ordinance 2017-17: An Ordinance of the Village of Rockton, Winnebago County, Illinois Ascertain the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workmen and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of Said Village, second by Mrs. May. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Peterson to approve the audit company proposal from Wipfli which was the only company that sent the Village a proposal, second by Mrs. May. Mr. Fridly inquired if the cost should be included. Wipfli submitted a 3-year proposal with the first year starting at \$12,250 and increasing \$250 each year after that. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Peterson to approve moving forward with negotiations for the downtown streetscape with Teska, second by Mr. Fridly. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

### **BUILDINGS AND PARKS – MRS. MAY**

Motion by Mrs. May to approve the purchase requisition for William Charles for the traffic light fixture replacement at Highway 2 and Union Street in the amount of \$4,244, second by Mr. Peterson. Mayor Adams stated that the lights were damaged from the high winds a couple of weeks ago and that the Village hopes to be partially reimbursed by the insurance company. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

## **STREETS AND WALKS – MR. MAGNUS**

None.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mayor Adams read a letter from Cyndy Fogarty requesting help from the Village to pay for postage (\$100 for postcards, \$40 for labels and \$800 in postage) for the downtown shopping event on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Peterson stated that he would like the Village to pay up to \$1000 to include social media boosting for the event and requested a consensus from the Village Board. Mrs. May stated that she would like to abstain since she is a downtown business owner.

Mayor Adams reminded everyone that all of the meetings will be held on Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mrs. May, to pay bills in the amount of \$111,807.88. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

## **ADJOURN**

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Winters, second by Mr. Peterson, to adjourn at 7:24 pm. All ayes. Motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart  
Village Clerk