Village of Riverwoods Board of Trustees Meeting September 19, 2023 APPROVED

Present: Michael Clayton Andrew Eastmond Rick Jamerson, Acting Mayor Jeff Smith

Absent: Liliya Dikin Kris Ford, Mayor Henry Hollander

Also Present: Bruce Huvard, Village Attorney Bruce Dayno, Police Chief Stephen Witt, Director of Community Services Carissa Smith, Village Engineer Bill Balling, Interim Finance Director Tony Vasquez, Finance Director Vivian Hofeld, Deputy Village Clerk Steve Zimmerman, Village Ecologist

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm

Document Approval

Trustee Clayton moved to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote as amended.

Treasurer's and Finance Committee Report

Mr. Balling introduced Tony Vasquez as the new Finance Director.

Trustee Clayton moved to approve the bills. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Clayton, Eastmond, Jamerson, Smith (4) NAYS: None (0)

Engineer's Report

Ms. Smith noted the road program has begun and should wrap up in the next few weeks. The sewer lining has been completed. Phase 1 of the Saunders Road program will start mid-October and run through mid-May. The construction schedule will be put into the newsletter. The equipment for the play area should be delivered next week.

Ecologist's Report

a. Presentation of landscape design prepared for the police station by Indigo Ecological Design

Mr. Zimmerman introduced Stacy Libra from Indigo Ecological Design. Ms. Libra explained her firm was tasked with coming up with a native landscape design that complements what is at the fire station. They propose adding native plants to the existing planting areas which will cut down on weeds. Ms. Libra proposes removing the plants near the entrance and replacing them with flowering native plantings. The milkweed near the flag pole will also be replaced along with the plantings along the building. The area between the fire station and police station will be replanted with a diverse mix of easy-to-maintain native plantings. The area behind the Village sign will have ornamental plantings. The area on the rear of the station will have shade trees added.

The cost for removing and replacing the plantings as well as reseeding will be about \$25,000.

Trustee Clayton noted the RPC put in a rain garden on the west side of the parking lot a number of years ago. After about 1.5 years, the plantings died due to the salt and construction equipment compacting the soil. He asked if the proposed plantings are salt tolerant and if the compacted soil would impact the plantings. Ms. Libra does not believe the soil would have an impact. Mr. Zimmerman noted the rain garden is the only area where the water drains off and goes into the detention area. He recommended removing the fence around the rain garden so it blends in with the other plantings. Trustee Smith asked if this would have a holistic look. Ms. Libra explained the fire department does not have all native plantings, but this will look ornamental which is similar to the fire department. Trustee Smith asked about how the turf is maintained. Mr. Zimmerman explained the Village has a landscaper that will mow the turf. Trustee Smith asked if the red oak was the best option. Mr. Zimmerman explained red oak is going through the oak decline syndrome and agreed to swap out the red oak for another tree.

Mr. Huvard explained there is no action required tonight. The next step would be to go out to bid.

Plan Commission Chairperson Breitkopf noted milkweed is a very good pollinator. She suggested keeping some of the milkweed. Mr. Zimmerman explained he requested removing them because common milkweed becomes most weed-like and is too tall. He mentioned that his seed mixes include more desirable milkweeds. He noted there is some milkweed in the bioswale. ZBA Chairperson Sherry Graditor asked how resistant the proposed plantings are to deer. Ms. Libra will look into the deer resistance. Trustee Smith suggested removing only some of the milkweed. Mr. Zimmerman explained they could be transplanted, but would not be in the same location. He does not recommend adding the common milkweed due to the weediness.

Trustee Clayton then suggested directing Mr. Zimmerman to preapare the bid document keeping to his recommendations, but swapping out the red oak.

Plan Commission Report

Plan Commission Chairperson Laurie Breitkopf reported the Plan Commission met on September 7th and discussed possible land uses for the Wolters Kluwer site. They will continue the discussion on October 5th. Teska Associates has been a great help to the Plan Commission.

ZBA Report

Zoning Board of Appeals Chairperson Sherry Graditor reported the ZBA has not met.

Police Report

The police activity is attached to the end of the minutes. Chief Dayno noted on September 14th, there was a vehicle crash involving a pedestrian. A 32-year-old male was transported to the emergency room. The vehicle left the scene of the accident. The driver was located and charged with leaving the scene of the accident among other charges.

The fire department responded to flames in a garage and living area on Rose Terrace. They were assisted by several other agencies. Chief Dayno noted rooms with their doors closed had little impact from the fire.

New Business

Approval of a request for a donation to the Deerfield Parents Network

The Trustees questioned what the donation would be used for. Mr. Vasquez explained this would be used for programs to help parents effectively parent their children. The request has been made annually since 2013. Trustee Clayton has some questions and asked to hold this to the next meeting.

Old Business

Resolution R-23-09-04 accepting watermain improvements and a watermain easement agreement and releasing a completion bond in the amount of \$100,000 provided by Thorntons LLC

Mr. Huvard noted the watermain on the access road behind Thornton's was extended to allow for a future connection to the Village of Buffalo Grove. The Village asked for the grant of a water main easement which the parties will provide, and a bill of sale conveying the water main to the Village. The bond will be released when the Village receives the executed easement agreement.

Trustee Clayton moved to approve the Resolution accepting the watermain improvements and a waterman easement agreement and releasing the completion bond provided by Thorntons LLC in the amount of \$100,000. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Clayton, Eastmond, Jamerson, Smith (4) NAYS: None (0)

Visitors wishing to address the Board

Randi Merel from the RPC was contacted about the plethora of plantings that will be impacted by the Deerfield Road construction. She asked if these plants are transplantable and if it could be a community-wide volunteer opportunity. Mr. Zimmerman explained a lot of the plantings are transplantable. The best timing would be mid-April to mid-May. Trustee Jamerson noted the homeowners would have to be contacted. The RPC and Village will work together to determine how to proceed with this volunteer, community event.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Clayton moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will take place on October 3, 2023 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivian Hofeld Deputy Village Clerk

Transcribed by: Jeri Cotton

Attachment: Police Report Building Report

| Incident Type | 2023 YTD | This Time 2022 YTD |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Other Trouble (7139) | 5 | 4 |
| Parking Complaint (7522) | 11 | 9 |
| Premise Exam (7041) | 997 | 909 |
| Public Service (7040) | 45 | 31 |
| Roadway Debris (7250) | 19 | 10 |
| Solicitor (7063) | 13 | 4 |
| Suicide (7211) | | - |
| Suspicious Auto (7123) | 38 | 42 |
| Suspicious Person (7123) | 23 | 26 |
| Telephone Threat (2820) | | - |
| Theft from Motor Veh (0710) | | 2 |
| Theft of Motor Veh (0910) | 2 | 1 |
| Theft Over \$500 (0815) | 4 | 1 |
| Theft Under \$500 (0825) | 3 | 3 |
| Traffic Complaint (7521) | 38 | 37 |
| Turned in Weapon/Ammo (7160) | 1 | 1 |
| Village Ord. Violation (7500) | 16 | 13 |
| Well Being Check (7045) | 41 | 25 |
| Total: | 2282 | 2081 |
| Crime Prevention Notices | 391 | 378 |
| Case Reports | 128 | 143 |
| Traffic Stops | 1043 | 1312 |
| Number of Citations issued | 420 | 517 |
| Number of Persons Issued Citations | 277 | 364 |

7 houses are currently on the Vacation Watch list and are checked regularly.

| Total F99 | |
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| Other Fee | |
| Inspection | |
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| Permit Fee | |
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Village of Riverwoods Building Permits Issued For Date From 08/01/23 to 08/31/23

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