

Rochester Village Board
11/14/2022

President Suerdieck called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: *Trustee Carver, Trustee Eandi, Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Munroe, Trustee Zobrist, President Suerdieck, Clerk Gerberding.* **Members absent:** *Trustee Butcher.*

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING ON September 12, 2022.

Trustee Carver made a motion to approve the minutes for September 12, 2022. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously, with Trustees Hendrickson, Zobrist, and Munroe voting present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON October 11, 2022.

Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the minutes for October 11, 2022, with suggested changes from Hendrickson. Trustee Carver seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously with Trustees Zobrist and Hendrickson voting present.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS

Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the financial statements and bills. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion. President Suerdieck called for a roll call vote.

Trustee Carver – yes	Trustee Eandi – yes
Trustee Hendrickson – yes	Trustee Munroe - yes
Trustee Zobrist – yes	President Suerdieck - yes

Motion passed with 6 yes and 0 no votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

N/A

PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Nick Pier – Boy Scouts Troup 58 at Rochester Christian Church. Pier is a freshman in RHS and approaching his Eagle Project. He would like to upgrade Public Library sign. Currently outdated and needs updated. He has 4 ideas.
- 1 – taking apart, painting, rebuild
 - 2 – change to a marquee style
 - 3 – adjust to electronic signage
 - 4 – brand new sign

The Rochester Public Library Board is already in agreement and knows he needs the Village Board's approval because the sign is co-owned. The Library Board liked the idea of a digital sign, and Pier likes that idea also. He has not done any significant research on costs yet. He thinks it would be around \$1,000 for that size sign. Supt. Foster confirmed there is power near the current sign, but limited power. Trustees Munroe and Eandi think it is a great idea. Pier also mentioned possibly having Pepsi sponsor the sign. A few of the library board have promised some donation. There are some ordinances in the village about signage so Supt. Foster will need to be consulted in that area. Pier's timeframe: warmer weather. Lots of details to work out, but Pier is aiming for late spring to summer. The Village Board will take necessary steps to move this project forward.

- B. John Stites – what is the changing of building codes of sump pump lines? Supt. Foster has discovered that the lines that have issues with tree roots is not really the village's responsibility to maintain, but the homeowner's. If the HOA disbands, the homeowner takes over the responsibility on maintenance on various aspects of utilities. Oak Mills HOA does not have that in the agreement. It is own by the homeowner, but the collector line is required by the village, so

who's responsibility is it really? Pres. Suerdieck stated that all of the HOAs they reviewed had the statement in the agreements.

REPORTS

Public Works Superintendent

See attached report – highlights below.

- A. CTI's physical work is done. They are ready to start connecting to houses.
- B. The primary generator is on sight and ready to be hooked up. The electrical company has had several issues with getting everything connected. Hopefully this week will be when they can complete the project. Rental generator is still present in case it is needed.
- C. Safety Catwalk is out for bid. No bids were submitted. So now we can directly solicit businesses. Three people came by and picked up paperwork – one didn't want the job, one was a supplier not a contractor, and one was too busy.
- D. The new Skid-steer has been returned and will be revisited again in the spring.
- E. Salt for the roads – last year we got salt from the county. They told us last year that they aren't doing it any longer. This year we will need to buy it directly. Next year, we can be on the State of IL supply list. After doing some research Supt. Foster has decided to use Morton, which will charge \$87 per ton in comparison to others at much higher rates.
- F. The burn pile and restrooms are closed for the season.
- G. Solar projects – Supt. Foster believes the solar farm on N. Walnut by Jostes Rd. is most likely a go. The additional ones across from Karen Rose and two off Oak St are still debatable.
- H. Streets – Camelot has expressed issues with the chip and oil work previously completed. Supt. Foster is going to get the street sweeper out to that neighborhood as soon as weather allows.

Chief of Police

- A. The new squad car arrived. It is now in the shop getting all of the appropriate equipment installed.
- B. Active Shooter Training has already occurred at the RIS building.
- C. Trustee Hendrickson asked for explanation about the recent bomb threat. Student wrote on the wall and then told on himself so has been referred to a juvenile officer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discuss Waste Haulers rates – Trustee Hendrickson suggested increasing fee by \$100 per axle. Zobrist suggested an increase of \$250 per axle instead. After a discussion, the consensus was to go in the middle at \$200 per axle. The ordinance will be drafted for the next board meeting at a total of \$700 per axle for approval.

Discuss AEDs at the park – Jr. High Baseball team was here last month to present the idea. The only costs from the village will be labor. Monitoring of equipment would be handled by the fire department. In regards to vandalism, cameras might be needed, which would involve the police department.

Ordinances:

ORD 22-24 - Approving Changes to Building Code Regarding Sump Pump Lines. *The intent is to clear up language in the code. This was approved through a positive vote by Zoning and Planning Committee. Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-24. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion.*

Roll Call vote was taken:

Trustee Carver – yes	Trustee Eandi – yes
Trustee Hendrickson – yes	Trustee Munroe – yes
Trustee Zobrist – yes	

The motion passed with __5__ yes votes and _____0__ no votes.

Resolutions:

Res 22-21 Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Rochester Township Regarding Mutual Assistance. *This has to do with village and township helping each other on smaller projects as needed. Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Resolution 22-21. Trustee Hendrickson seconded the motion.*

Roll Call vote was taken:

Trustee Carver - yes	Trustee Eandi - yes
Trustee Hendrickson – yes	Trustee Munroe – yes
Trustee Zobrist - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Res 22-22 Approving a Resolution of Participation with Sangamon County Mitigation Plan. *This has been continuous for 8 months. Sangamon county received grant eligibility and as a result any communities that participated would also then be eligible, which Rochester trustees have been involved. Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Resolution 22-22. Trustee Carver seconded the motion.*

Roll Call vote was taken:

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Trustee Hendrickson – yes	Trustee Munroe – yes
Trustee Zobrist - yes	

The motion passed with 5 yes votes and 0 no votes.

MOTIONS:

Motion – Motion to Appoint John Petit As Chairman Of Planning & Zoning Commission
Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to appoint John Petit as Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion – Motion to Appoint David Weller As Member Of Planning & Zoning Commission.
Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the street closure for the Fall Festival. Trustee Carver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

UPCOMING DATES:

Upcoming Dates to Remember: (some meetings are tentative and could change, but will have the proper 48 hours posting notice)

Thursday, November 24	CLOSED	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Friday, November 25	CLOSED	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
Monday, November 28, 2022		Committee of the Whole Meeting @ 7:00pm
Monday, December 12, 2022		Village Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Friday, December 9th		– Trustee party

Motion to adjourn:

Trustee Munroe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Gerberding
Village Clerk