

**Village of Rochester  
Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
June 13, 2022**

President Suerdieck called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:           Trustee Butcher       Trustee Carver  
                  Trustee Eandi        Trustee Hendrickson  
                  Trustee Munroe     Trustee Zobrist  
                  President Suerdieck   Deputy Clerk Marsh

ABSENT: None

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON May 9, 2022.** *Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve the May 9, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Trustee Carver. President Suerdieck, Trustee Butcher, Trustee Munroe and Trustee Zobrist gave an aye vote while Trustee Hendrickson, Trustee Eandi and Trustee Carver voted present.*

**APPROVAL OF ALL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the financial statements and pay the monthly financial bills. Motion was seconded by Trustee Zobrist.*

ROLL CALL:   Trustee Butcher – Yes           Trustee Carver – Yes  
                  Trustee Eandi – Yes            Trustee Hendrickson – Yes  
                  Trustee Munroe-Yes           Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

President Suerdieck announced that on from 9am on June 25 through noon on June 26, Sangamon Valley Ham Radio Club will be hosting an event in the Community Room to honor National Amateur Radio Operators Month. This event is open to the public.

**PUBLIC FORUM-** Steve Rutledge, Former Police Chief in the Village of Rochester, presented an endowment proposal to the board. All the paperwork is done on his end, and he would like to work out the details with the Village Attorney to be able to donate funds, in perpetuity, to the Rochester Police Department. The funds would be used for Advanced Training for the police officers in addition to what is obtained through the budget. Attorney Moredock stated that he would need to meet with other colleagues at his firm to iron out the details.

**PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**-James Foster

**Water/Sewer**

- CTI has hit 2 mis-marked water services. One on Katie Lane, one on Walberta/Sherry.
- Petersburg Plumbing has completed the 10x10 project and the line has passed bac-t testing.
- North Lift Station is now bypassed. Spectra Tech is expected Monday, June 13 to begin lining of Lift Station vault cells to prevent infiltration.
- Restoration done on several old water jobs from last winter. Also restored ground from Village Hall sewer rework project.

## **Streets**

- Pothole filling has happened a couple times.
- Had a tree fall on Mishawaka. Public Works cleaned it up.

## **Parks/Property**

- Public Works has received several complaints concerning cleanliness of park bathrooms and trash cans. Public Works has remained as vigilant as ever about trash and bathroom stocking/cleanliness. It appears to be happening after hours. This has created a small amount of overtime to rectify messes left and restock the bathrooms.
- The RYAA and Public Works have been in communication about their schedule. Working together has alleviated much of the concerns over mowing issues.

## **Training/Considerations**

- Senior Public Works staff has attended Wastewater Training in anticipation of Wastewater testing at the end of June.

## **Code Officer Info**

- Code Officer has contacted mowing services to deal with tall grass on E Main. There is a house on N Water that will probably end up being dealt with in the same manner. We are overly accommodating before sending a crew to mow. Village Code states that the charge for the village to abate tall grass is \$75 per hour and a \$50 admin fee. Hopefully we do not have to do this often. Other complaints seemed to have complied with the letters.
- Lots of tall grass complaints.
- Received a complaint about an empty property on Willow with a considerable amount of overgrowth. Property owner and I have been in contact. He is working to see if land qualifies as a wetland. Property has a surface waterway through the center of it for drainage, as well as a sewer main from Southeast Lift Station running through the south side of it.

## **Additional Information**

- Attached to report is build plans for walkway around the generator that will be replaced soon as well as a quote for the materials. Trustee Munroe asked if we would be able to use ARPA funds for this project. Attorney Moredock said that it doesn't hurt to ask and do the research to find out. He will get back with the board on this later. Trustee Hendrickson asked if the quote included labor cost. Superintendent Foster was unsure and stated that he would check back with them before bringing it before the board to vote.

## **Police Chief Report-Chief Sommer**

- Officer Schwartz has submitted a verbal resignation as part-time police officer/SRO.
- Recruit Nickell is in her 5<sup>th</sup> week of the Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy at Southwestern Illinois College.
- Officer Campbell and Officer Meadows are still in Field Training.
- William Eller completed his 140 hour internship for SIU-E.
- Officer Todd will be attending Criminal Patrol Drug Enforcement training on 6/16/22 and 6/17/22.
- VHF Repeater for "PD Tac" channel was replaced. The channel is now operational.
- The PD is currently gathering bids for Radar Speed/Message Signs.
- More volunteers will be needed for Sparks in the Park support. At this time we have about 6 volunteers.

- Testing will begin towards the end of July to generate a new police officer candidate list.

**OLD BUSINESS – None**

**New Business:**

**Ordinance 22-13 Approving Request for Variance to allow a 54 inch fence for 525 Heathrow Lane, Rochester, IL**

*Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-13. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Butcher – Yes	Trustee Carver – Yes
	Trustee Eandi – Yes	Trustee Hendrickson – Yes
	Trustee Munroe-Yes	Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**Ordinance 22-18 Declaring Surplus property for the Public Works Department**

*Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve Ordinance 22-18. Trustee Hendrickson seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Butcher – Yes	Trustee Carver – Yes
	Trustee Eandi – Yes	Trustee Hendrickson – Yes
	Trustee Munroe-Yes	Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**Resolution 22-08 Approving the new 36-month contracts with Republic Services for the Village of Rochester**

*Trustee Butcher made a motion to approve Resolution 22-08. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Butcher – Yes	Trustee Carver – Yes
	Trustee Eandi – Yes	Trustee Hendrickson – Yes
	Trustee Munroe-Yes	Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**Resolution 22-09 Approving an alcohol vendor agreement with The Alibi for Sparks in the Park 2022**

*Trustee Butcher made a motion to approve Resolution 22-09. Trustee Carver seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Butcher – Yes	Trustee Carver – Yes
	Trustee Eandi – Yes	Trustee Hendrickson – No
	Trustee Munroe-Yes	Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 5 Yes, 1 No.*

**Resolution 22-10 Approving purchase of 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD Squad SUV**

*Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve Resolution 22-10. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL:	Trustee Butcher – Yes	Trustee Carver – Yes
	Trustee Eandi – Yes	Trustee Hendrickson – Yes
	Trustee Munroe-Yes	Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**Discussion – Archive Social**

President Suerdieck began the discussion with a few facts about Archive Social in that it is a service that is to provide a searchable data base of information if we were to receive a FOIA request regarding what is being posted on our social media pages. Without this service, the best option would be to turn off commenting, which may not be the best option for our social media pages. Trustee Munroe added that turning off commenting would not be the best option as it is such a great tool to use for Sparks in the Park. More information will be collected regarding price, etc. and brought to the board for a vote next month.

**Motion: Approving the sale of alcohol in the village park for the Sparks in the Park event on July 8, 2022.**

*Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the sale of alcohol in the park for the Sparks in the Park event on July 8, 2022. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL: Trustee Butcher – Yes                      Trustee Carver – Yes  
                  Trustee Eandi – Yes                      Trustee Hendrickson – No  
                  Trustee Munroe-Yes                      Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 5 Yes, 1 No.*

**Motion: Approving the Fireworks permit for Sparks in the Park 2022 with fireworks on July 9, 2022.**

*Trustee Munroe made a motion to amend the Fireworks Company name from Central States Fireworks to J&M Displays and approve the motion with the amendment for the Fireworks Permit for fireworks on July 9, 2022. Trustee Zobrist seconded the motions. Unanimous aye vote. None opposed. Motion passed.*

**Motion: Approving the road closure of East Main Street, Cardinal Hill Road and North Walnut Street to the High School on Saturday July 9, 2022 from 10:30am to 12:00pm for the Sparks in the Park Parade.**

*Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve the road closure for the Sparks in the Park parade on Saturday July 9, 2022 from 10:30am to 12:00pm. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. Unanimous aye vote. None opposed. Motion passed.*

**Motion: Approving the engagement letter for the annual audit for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2022 with Estes, Bridgewater and Ogden.**

*Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve the engagement letter with Estes, Bridgewater & Ogden. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion.*

ROLL CALL: Trustee Butcher – Yes                      Trustee Carver – Yes  
                  Trustee Eandi – Yes                      Trustee Hendrickson – Yes  
                  Trustee Munroe-Yes                      Trustee Zobrist-Yes

*Motion passed. 6 Yes, 0 No.*

**Motion: Approving the appointment of Angela Gerberding as Village Clerk**

*Trustee Munroe made a motion to accept the appointment of Angela Gerberding as Village Clerk. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. Unanimous aye vote. None opposed. Motion passed.*

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Thursday, June 16, 2022 @ 8:30am	Sparks in the Park Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 21, 2022 @ 7:00pm	Planning & Zoning Comm Meeting
Monday, June 27, 2022 @ 7:00pm	Committee of the Whole Meeting
Monday, July 4, 2022           CLOSED	Village Hall Closed-Independence Day
Friday July8, 2022-Saturday July 9, 2022	2022 Sparks in the Park
Monday, July 11, 2022 @ 7:00pm	Village Board Meeting

*Trustee Zobrist made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. Unanimous aye vote. None opposed. Motion passed*

*Adjourned at 8:02p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Erica Marsh  
Village Deputy Clerk