

**Village of Rochester  
Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
June 14, 2021**

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

ROLL CALL:

- Trustee Butcher
- Trustee Carver
- Trustee Eandi
- Trustee Hendrickson
- Trustee Munroe
- Trustee Zobrist
- President Suerdieck
- Clerk Langdon

ABSENT:

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON MAY 10, 2021.** *Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve the May 10, 2021, minutes. Motion seconded by Trustee Eandi. Unanimous aye vote. Motion passed.*

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND BILLS**

*Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve the financial statements and pay the monthly financial bills. Motion seconded by Trustee Zobrist.*

ROLL CALL:

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

Motion passed 5-0.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Lynn Langdon took Oath of Office for Clerk for four year term. President Suerdieck made a recommendation to appoint Deb Elderton as Village Manager for a Four Year

Term. *Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve the appointment of Deb Elderton. Trustee Eandi seconded motion. Unanimous aye vote. Motion passed.*

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Trustee Hendrickson presented the Arboretum Committee Report – In May and June, more than 60 volunteers planted over 200 trees of 12 native Illinois species in three Village parks and the Village Hall grounds. There were five memorial tree planting ceremonies planned for families and the Sesquicentennial Committee. The Arboretum Committee and Village expresses thanks to all those involved. Most of the larger trees planted in North Park and Wanless Park have deer cages to protect from the high populations of deer in those areas. Residents living near the parks or visiting the parks are asked to report problems to the Village.

A draft policy statement on memorial trees was developed, revised, and forwarded to the Parks Committee for revision and adoption. It encourages the planting of memorial trees and sets standards for trees, locations, and plaques.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Personnel & Finance**

Trustee Zobrist reported Committee has a lot going on, but nothing that can be reported on at this time.

### **P&Z Commission**

None.

### **Sparks in the Park**

Trustee Munroe – did not meet tonight. Sparks in the Park will be held July 29-31, 2021. The parade will take place on July 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am and the fireworks show will all commence at dark on July 31<sup>st</sup>. Committee is still seeking sponsors/ads for ad book. Wristband will go on sale for event in July. Committee will meet on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

Trustee Hendrickson informed Board that the fishing derby would still take place on June 26<sup>th</sup> at 8am at the Village Park pond.

### **Water & Sewer**

Trustee Hendrickson – Committee met and new Trustee Carver was briefed on committee business. Four individuals were connected to Maxheimer loop. Village Engineer Kuhn addressed Melody Drive 3 in 1, Rt. 29 loop on hold. Melody loop – need to solve of ditch. Engineer also informed Board that IDOT has grant money available. He will be bringing a list to Board of eligible projects.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

Henton –

- Teen Court started up again.
- RPD with assistance from Sangamon County Sheriff's Office Investigations, arrested Albert Cole who has been charged with 2 counts of Class X felony and 2 counts of Class 2 felony for child pornography.
- Officer Martin resigned.

## **PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – James Foster**

### **Water/Sewer**

- Installed irrigation meter on Quail Crossing. JK Snyder hired to bore from tap point to pit location. Meter to be installed.
- Received complaints about sanitation sewers on Sattley and on Walberta. Sewers were jetted.
- No update on new sewer extension. Waiting to hear from engineer.
- New testing equipment for NAP ordered. They are experiencing a backlog due to this new requirement. Projected ship date is in August.
- New heater placed at Primary Lift Station.
- Transfer switch at SE Lift Station was not properly switching back to commercial AC from generator power after power loss. New transfer switch installed.
- Received 19 locate requests in one day. Normal is 4-5 per day.
- Storage facility has now tapped our water main.
- New home on Lot 58 Penacook had water line bored by JK Snyder. Water main has not been located yet. SubSurface Solutions is expected tomorrow to assist with troubleshooting difficult to locate lines.
- PW is planning on water main flushing from July 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Streets**

- Work continues on Mill and Pleasant. Utilities must be carefully exposed for project. We are also deeper than expected to have to be to maintain proper fall to get water to flow towards creek.
- A sinkhole has appeared at the North Walnut Street Apartments near their dumpster. A steel plate has been placed over hole until repaired.
- Mailbox on Burberry possibly hit by snowplows has finally been replaced.
- Driveway culvert on Parkview jetted for homeowner who replaced drive.
- Pothole filling was done.
- Point repairs have been rescheduled for the cooler months and due to Mill/Pleasant Project taking longer than hoped.

## **Parks/Property**

- Lots of new trees planted all over the village properties.
- Stone House continues to be mowed and maintained.
- Assisted library with clean up of Racheal's Garden.
- Comfort Station door handle broke and has been repaired.
- Tables at the large pavilion have been chained together to prevent vandals from stacking them.
- Feces found covering Comfort Station walls and floor.
- Clearing of land at Wanless Park wrapping up.

## **Training/Consideration**

- Henton and Foster attended a Maguire Iron webinar on "System Coatings".
- Most of the Public Works attended a Sangamon County DPH webinar for mosquito control.

## **Code Officer Info**

- Received a few complaints about tall grass throughout the Village. Letters were sent and individuals are now in compliance.
- Received a complaint about barking dogs and smell of feces. Officer Henton and I investigated and found nothing to substantiate this complaint. Spoke with dog owner and advised continued maintenance.

## **VILLAGE MANGERS REPORT**

Deb Elderton --

- Items for Sparks in the Park 2021 that were tabled at the last board meeting have been updated and are ready to be acted on tonight.
- Water and Sewer meeting will be held this month on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Planning and Zoning held their meeting and public hearing on May 25<sup>th</sup>, and recommended the approval of the requested variance for 495 Magnolia Drive and 499 Magnolia Drive for corner lot setbacks in Oak Mill Estates Phase III that are to be addressed in Ord 21-16.
- The Cottages of Carriage Crossing, Rochester is planning to break ground next week to the west of the Assisted Living facility. The Cottages will be owned by Carrie Bentley and will be rented to adults over 55 years of age.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 21-13 Waiving the Park Regulations to allow alcoholic beverages at Community Park on July 31, 2021, for Sparks in the Park 2021.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 21-13. Motion seconded by Trustee Butcher.*

ROLL CALL:

Trustee Butcher – YES  
Trustee Carver – YES  
Trustee Eandi – YES  
Trustee Hendrickson – YES  
Trustee Munroe – YES  
Trustee Zobrist – YES

Motion passed. 6-0

**Ordinance 21-15 Amending the Village Code Chapter 91.003 Nuisance.** *Trustee Munroe made a to approve Ordinance 21-15. Motion 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. 6-0

**Ordinance 21-16 Approving Variance Request for 495 Magnolia Drive and 499 Magnolia Drive for corner lot setbacks.** *Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve Ordinance 21-16. Motion 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. 6-0

**Ordinance 21-17 Declaring surplus property for the Public Works Department.**

*Trustee Hendrickson made a motion to approve Ordinance 21-17. Motion 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 6-0.

**Resolution 21-18 Approving an alcohol vendor agreement with the Alibi and Public House 29 for Sparks in the Park.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to Table Resolution 21-18. Motion seconded by Trustee Zobrist. Unanimous aye vote. Resolution Tabled.*

**Resolution 21-24 Accepting the improvements and releasing funds for Larry Bielfeldt with COE Commons.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Resolution 21-24. Motion seconded by Trustee Butcher.*

ROLL CALL:

Trustee Butcher – YES  
Trustee Carver – YES  
Trustee Eandi – YES  
Trustee Hendrickson – YES  
Trustee Munroe – YES  
Trustee Zobrist – YES

Motion passed 6-0.

**Motion approving the fireworks permit for “Sparks in the Park 2021” with fireworks on July 31, 2021.** *Trustee Zobrist made a motion to approve the fireworks permit for July 31,2021. Motion seconded by Trustee Eandi.*

ROLL CALL:

Trustee Butcher – YES  
Trustee Carver – YES  
Trustee Eandi – YES  
Trustee Hendrickson – YES  
Trustee Munroe – YES  
Trustee Zobrist – YES

Motion passed 6-0.

**Motion authorizing the Village President to sign contracts and documents for “Sparks in the Park 2021” as needed.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve Village President to sign contracts and documents for “Sparks in the Park 2021” as needed. Motion 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 6-0.

**Motion approving the road closure of East Main Street, Cardinal Hill Road, and North Walnut Street to the high School on Saturday, July 31, 2021 from 10:15am to 12:00pm for the “Sparks in the Park” parade.** *Trustee Munroe made a motion to approve stated road closures for the “Sparks in the Park” parade. Motion seconded by Trustee Hendrickson.*

ROLL CALL:

Trustee Butcher – YES  
Trustee Carver – YES  
Trustee Eandi – YES  
Trustee Hendrickson – YES  
Trustee Munroe – YES  
Trustee Zobrist – YES

Motion passed 6-0.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

July 21, 2021 @ 5pm  
June 22, 2021 @ 7pm  
July 12, 2021 @ 6pm  
July 12, 2021 @ 7pm  
July 29-July 31, 2021

Water & Sewer Committee  
Planning & Zoning  
Sparks Committee  
Village Board  
“2021 Sparks in the Park” Event

*Trustee Butcher made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Eandi seconded the motion. Unanimous aye vote.*

Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Langdon  
Village Clerk