

**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 14, 2002**

A regular meeting of the Village of River Forest Board of Trustees was held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 2002 in the Community Room of the Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

**I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: President Paris, Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Absent: Trustee Heppes

Also Present: Village Clerk Hosty, Village Administrator Biondo, Assistant Village Administrator Gutierrez, Village Attorney Gilbert, Chief Holub, Captain Nummer, and Public Works Director Kramer.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Paris led the Pledge of Allegiance

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**A. Oath of Office – Fire Lieutenant Witken**

The Village Clerk issued the Oath of Office to Fire Lieutenant Witken. The Board then offered its congratulations to Lieutenant Witken.

**B. Public Testimony**

There was no public testimony.

**C. Statements from Clerk, Board, President**

Village President Paris thanked Lieutenant Witken for his effort to put himself in position to be promoted. He also wished everyone a Happy New Year.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2001 Board meeting. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

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**V. CONSENT AGENDA****A. Approval of Payment – Village Attorney**

Trustee O'Brien made a motion seconded by Trustee Dillon to approve the payment of \$1207.50 to Mr. Gilbert for legal service. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**B. Approval of Annual IRMA Contribution for 2002**

Trustee O'Brien made a motion seconded by Trustee Dillon to approve payment for the 2002 IRMA Contribution in the amount of \$270,000. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**C. Approval of Payment – Overhead Door Project**

Trustee O'Brien made a motion seconded by Trustee Dillon to approve payment in the amount of \$18,200 to Osman Construction Corporation. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**D. Approval of Monthly Financial Reports**

Trustee O'Brien made a motion seconded by Trustee Dillon to approve the monthly Financial Reports. Trustee Swanson questioned some legal fees and was satisfied with the answer provided by the Village Administrator. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**VI. BID OPENINGS****A. Award of Contract – Light Fixture Replacement Project**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to reject the proposal from M & O Electric, Inc. based on a non-responsive RFP submittal, and award the contract for the light fixture replacement project at the Public Works Garage to Sterling Mechanical Services in the amount of \$13,450.00. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**B. Award of Contract – Motor Starter Replacement (Waiver of Bids)**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to waive bids and award the contract to replace the motor starter for pump No. 3 at the Pumping Station to Accord Electric Company in the amount of \$11,384.00. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**C. Award of Contract – Concrete Floor Slab (Waiver of Bids)**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee O'Brien to waive bids and award the contract to install a concrete floor slab inside the Public Works Garage to Osman Construction Corporation in the amount of \$13,765.00. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**D. Approval of Purchase – ArcIMS (Waiver of Bids)**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee Prinz to waive bids and approve the purchase of ArcIMS from ESRI Inc. in the amount of \$7,511.95.

Trustees Dillon and Swanson asked about the types of information this system would provide and its usefulness for residents. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**VII. RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

**A. Zoning Board of Appeals – Zoning Code Amendment to the Land Use Chart**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Prinz to approve an ordinance amending the land use chart contained in Section 10-21-2 of the Zoning Code as recommended by the ZBA.

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Trustee Rider commented that the Board had been working on these changes for the last several months. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**B. Zoning Board of Appeals – Zoning Code Amendment – Front Porches**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to remove this item from the agenda and to place it on the January C.O.W. meeting for further discussion. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**VIII. RESOLUTIONS**

**A. Recognition of Chief Henrici**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee Rider to approve a resolution recognizing the retirement of Chief Henrici and commending him for the exemplary services he provided to the Village. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**IX. ORDINANCES**

None

**X. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Appointment of Fire Chief**

Trustee Dillon made a motion seconded by Trustee Rider to accept the Village President's recommendation to appoint Captain Nummer as Fire Chief effective January 15, 2002 in accordance with the terms and conditions as outlined in the December 28, 2001 employment offer.

Trustee Dillon wanted to offer her congratulations and to express the entire Board's support for the appointment. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**B. Oath of Office – Fire Chief**

The Village Clerk issued the Oath of Office to Chief Nummer. The Board then offered its congratulations to Chief Nummer.

**C. Authorization to Fill Vacancies in the Fire Department**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee O'Brien to approve a motion authorizing the Board of Fire & Police Commissioners to promote a new Captain and Lieutenant and to hire a new probationary Firefighter/Paramedic.

Mr. Biondo explained that the appointment of Captain Nummer to Chief necessitated the filling of these vacancies. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**D. Replacement Officers – Police Department**

Trustee Dillon made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to approve the hiring of two probationary police officers to begin at the police academy in Spring 2002.

Mr. Biondo explained to the Board that only once vacancy currently existed and that the second hire if approved would be a pre-hire in anticipation of upcoming retirements. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**E. Zoning Map Revisions**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee O'Brien to adopt the updated Zoning Map dated January 8, 2002. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson

Nays: None

Motion passed

**F. Monthly Departmental Reports**

The reports were accepted.

**G. Village Administrator's Report**

The report was accepted as written.

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**H. Executive Session**

Trustee Swanson made a motion seconded by Trustee Prinz to recess to Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the Pending Litigation and Collective Bargaining.

The Board reconvened in regular open session at 8:59 p.m. Upon roll call, the following were:

Present: President Paris, Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson  
Absent: Trustee Heppes

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Rider made a motion seconded by Trustee Swanson to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Roll call.

Ayes: Trustees O'Brien, Prinz, Dillon, Rider and Swanson  
Nays:  
Motion passed

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Patrick J. Hosty  
Village Clerk