

**MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD BY
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI,
HELD ON FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverview, St. Louis County, Missouri, met at City Hall, 9699 Lilac Drive at 7:00 pm on February 25, 2016.

At the time and place upon roll being called, there were found to be present the following named officers and members of the Board:

Trustee Howard Pierce	Present
Trustee Craig W. Boehmer	Present
Trustee Phyllis Paro	Present
Trustee Bruce Stocker	Present
Chairman Steve Paro	Present

Village Attorney Chris Graville and Acting Village Clerk Madonna Forrest were also present.

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Craig Boehmer to accept the addendum provided by St. Louis County Community Development for Mr. Gaines' work on demolition. All trustees voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, AND PETITIONS:

Samantha Kuhlenberg of 9946 Valley reported on the water problem she has been having. She has been speaking with Missouri American Water regarding the flooding on her street.

A resident from Short Chambers thanked the police department for their work in her area. Things have been quiet she reported. She would like the potholes at the end of her driveway repaired.

Ron Ritchie of 10049 Grosvenor invited everyone to a town hall meeting at the Lewis and Clark Library on 3-3-16. Trustee Phyllis Paro suggested that such meetings be held at Riverview City Hall in the future. Mr. Ritchie explained that they were inviting neighboring municipalities to the meeting.

Chairman Steve Paro thanked and commended these people for caring so much about their neighborhood and the Village of Riverview.

Elizabeth Weber of 443 Northridge commented that it is great to see the neighboring municipalities working together to make this area better. Trustee Phyllis informed the citizens that she had posted an article regarding decreasing property values in North County. It is happening in other area too. We could use more small businesses in Riverview.

Regarding high grass, Chairman Steve Paro reported that he and his brother Mike cut properties on weekends and sometimes in the evenings. Attorney Graville reported that the Village will begin the grass cutting process earlier this year. The Village will also begin the process to have five more properties demolished. The Village is currently maintaining approximately 11 burned properties, 40 vacant properties, 30 properties owned by the Village,

and two parks. The Village must follow specific guidelines in cutting private properties to avoid being sued.

Ron Ritchie asked if the Village considered subcontracting the grass cutting. Attorney Graville replied that doing so would be too expensive for the Village.

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETINGS:

A motion was made by Trustee Craig Boehmer and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to accept the monthly board Meeting minutes of 1-28-16 as submitted. All trustees voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Craig Boehmer and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to accept the Special Open meeting minutes of 2-9-16 as submitted. All trustees voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Finance Liaison's Report (Treasurer's Report): A motion was made by Trustee Craig Boehmer and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to accept the treasurer's report as submitted. All trustees voted in the affirmative, and the motion carried.

Public Works Liaison's Report: Trustee Bruce Stocker reported that the Street Department cleaned City Hall weekly, removed trash from City Hall weekly, picked up trash dumped in the Village daily, cleaned up Spring Gardens 5 times, picked up 20 tires, picked up 2 mattresses, cleaned 4 loads of trash under the bridge, cleaned up from Habecking to Grosvenor, cleaned up from Grosvenor to Chambers, cleaned up the park at Toelle, pre salted using 6 tons, cleaned up snow on 2-20 and 2-21 using 7 tons of salt, worked on truck 7 (water line repair). The Street Department is presently down to one man.

Police Liaison's Report: Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that there were:

Adult Arrests:	9
Juvenile Arrests:	3
Tickets:	117
Calls for Service:	855
Reports Written:	102
Miles on Police Vehicles:	7133

Trustee Phyllis Paro also reported that there were five major arrests in the last month.

Zoning and Building Liaison's Report: Trustee Craig Boehmer reported that there were 14 houses inspected, 10 apartments inspected, no commercial properties inspected, 14 codes of compliance issued, 10 codes of non-compliance issued, 2 building permits issued, 3 warnings issued, 1 summons issued, no roofing, framing, footing inspections done, no notices posted, 1 stop work order issued, 0 roofing permits, 20 occupancy permits issued, 0 conditional occupancy permits issued, no permit inspections, no demolition permits issued, no commercial occupancy permits, 4 excavation permits, and 0 dumping permits issued.

Health Commissioner's Report: There were three letter regarding trash and debris, no letters or warnings regarding high grass, no summons for trash, debris, limbs, or grass. One summons issued for occupancy permit.

Trustee Craig Boehmer reported that a group of people trashed the park last week. They will be sending letters regarding trash problems in the Village.

Chairman's Report: Chairman Paro thanked Donna Forrest for filling in for Jamie during her absence.

Clerk's Report: Nothing to report

Attorney's Report: Attorney Graville reported that the trustees signed the addendum for five more properties to be demolished.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Water Running at Park: We received a very large water bill for Brad Schultz Memorial Park (Toelle) due to the fact that people turned the water on and left it running. We will need to turn the water off from now on at the meter. The trustees reported times when the electric meter had been ripped off at the park, young people had been seen walking on the roof of the restroom, and they had burned and turned over the "Johnnie-on-the-Spot".

Trustee Howard Pierce felt that the water should be turned off during the winter anyway.

Placement of sign stating water is turned off: The trustees discussed this in conjunction with the next order of business.

Use of Elementary Park on Diamond: The trustees would like the Village attorney to prepare an ordinance covering the use of the parks. They wish to prohibit alcohol without a permit. They wish to prohibit large grills being brought in for barbecuing and used without a permit.

No Parking Signs on Fork: Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that people are parking on Fork and also on the empty lot. It was suggested to prohibit parking after a certain time. Attorney Graville stated that he can prepare such an ordinance. It was suggested to prohibit parking after 6:00 pm from the stop sign to the end of the park.

Vacant Lots Maintained by Residents: Trustee Bruce Stocker feels that it would help the Village if residents who maintain a vacant lot adjacent to their own property be given the option to buy that vacant lot. The Village has a terrible problem with property owners not maintaining their properties. Attorney Graville explained that the owner of a property, as well as the resident, can be held accountable for violations. Trustee Phyllis Paro asked if property owners would be allowed to maintain and purchase lots not adjacent to their own. The trustees are in favor of allowing property owners to maintain adjacent lots for a specified number of years and then being given the option to purchase the property.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Cold Patch on Diamond: Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that cold patch repair is needed on Diamond Drive. Trustee Craig Boehmer replied that it is on order.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS:

A motion was made by Trustee Craig Boehmer and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to pay all the monthly bills. All trustees voted in the affirmative and the motion carried.

MOTION TO HAVE A CLOSED MEETING:

No closed meeting was necessary. Trustee Phyllis Paro did ask when Ron O'Neal could return to work for the Street Department. The trustees decided to allow him to return on 3-7-16, at which time he can pick up trash throughout the Village.

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Trustee Howard Pierce and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to adjourn the meeting. All trustees voted in the affirmative and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.


Notice is hereby given that subject to a motion duly made and adopted, the Board of Trustees may also hold a closed meeting for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to one or more of the following: legal actions, causes of action litigation, or privileged communications between the city's representatives and its attorneys [610.021(1)]; lease, purchase, or sale of real estate [610.021(2)]; hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting employees [610.021(3)]; preparation for negotiations with employees [610.021(9)]; bidding specifications [610.021(11)]; and/or proprietary technological materials [610.021(15)].

Copies of all legislation considered by the Board of Trustees at this meeting were available for inspection by the public prior to the time such legislation was considered by the Board of Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,


Steve Paro, Chairman

ATTEST:


Madonna Forrest, Acting Village Clerk