

# RIO VILLAGE BOARD-November 5, 2012 at 7:00 pm

## **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Village President James Olrick. Present were Trustees Russell Sunde, Stan Stofflet, Dwight Lien, Terry Milfred and Nancy Wescott, Also present were DPW Robert Lang, Library Director Erin Foley, Assistant Library Director Jon Pribbenow and MSA Engineer, Jeff Montpass.

## **Agenda:**

**MOTION Stofflet/Wescott** to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Minutes:**

**MOTION Milfred/Stofflet** to approve the minutes of the October 2 Board Meeting and the October 30 Committee Meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Review Audience Correspondence:**

The Clerk reported that David Tessmer notified the Clerk that he would be unable to attend the meeting.

## **Library Report:**

Director Erin Foley gave the Library Report.

## **Public Works Report:**

Trustee Stofflet gave the Public Works report.

A. Consider motion to award bid contract to MSA for Treatment Plant.

**DISCUSSION:** Jeff Montpass, MSA Engineer reported that he was notified that the Village will receive 15 % principal forgiveness. This will amount to approximately \$374000.00 from the DNR if approved by legislature. Mr. Montpass reported that it is a possibility that the Village may be eligible for a CDBG grant for up to \$500,000.00. To qualify for the loan 51% of the residents would have to be considered low to moderate income. That would be approximately 202 of the 398 residential users. This would require going door to door requesting information on income levels. The Board is very interested and would like additional information.

**MOTION Stofflet/Sunde** to award the bid contract to MSA for the Treatment Plant in the amount of \$238,192.00. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Consider motion to approve intent to Apply and the Ranking form for the DNR for 2013.

**DISCUSSION:** Jeff Montpass, MSA Engineer reported this form was already submitted last year. The list will be updated at the end of December for 2013. He recommends resubmitting the forms for next year.

**MOTION Sunde/Wescott** to approve Intent to Apply and the Ranking form for the DNR for 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Consider motion to approve raise for Charles Homman for \$.50 and a raise for Matthew Weatherwax for \$1.00 beginning in January 2013.

**DISCUSSION:** DPW Lang reported that when he became the Public Works Director he cut the full time position and replaced it with part time help to keep costs down. This has saved the village thousands of dollars over the years. DPW Lang reported he needs dependable workers. President Olrick reported that he is impressed with how DPW Lang runs the Public Works department and noted that other communities similar in size have a larger full time staff. DPW Lang believes that it is important to show appreciation for the workers. Mr. Homman has not received a raise for several years.

**MOTION Sunde/Milfred** to approve a raise for Charles Homman in the amount of \$.50 and a raise for Matthew Weatherwax in the amount of \$1.00 beginning January 1, 2013. Motion carried with 4 yeas votes and 2 no votes (Lien, Olrick).

**Ordinance:**

- A. Consider motion to approve Conditional Use Permit-David Tessmer 343B Railroad Street for a gardening and personal storage:

**DISCUSSION:** The Clerk reported that the Village has not received any complaints about the storage shed.

**MOTION Sunde/Stofflet** to approve the Conditional Use Permit-David Tessmer 343B Railroad Street for a gardening and personal storage. Motion carried with 5 yes votes and 1 not vote (Lien).

**Police Report:**

Trustee Dwight Lien gave the Police report.

**Finance Report:**

Trustee Sunde gave the Finance report.

- A. Invoices:

**MOTION Sunde/Milfred** to approve the invoices with additions. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Consider motion to approve Clerk attending the WMCA Conference:

**MOTION Milfred/Stofflet** to approve the Clerk attending the MNCA conference on December 13, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

**CCEDC Report:** Trustee Sunde gave the CCEDC report.

**Tourism Report:** Trustee Milfred gave the Tourism report.

**Rio Fire Association:**

President Olrick reported that the Fire Association contract was reviewed. The Fire Association members are receiving monthly personnel reports.

**Monthly Meetings:**

President Olrick requested to have the Committee meetings held on Tuesday, November 27 at 6:00 pm and the Board meeting on Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 pm. He has a scheduling conflict. Board members agreed that the requested dates and times would be acceptable.

**MOTION Stofflet/Wescott** to adjourn at 8:15 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Recording: Amy Stone, Clerk