Minutes

Riverton Village Board

The President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Riverton held their regular board meeting on May 5, 2025 at the Riverton Village Hall, Riverton, IL.

The board meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. Those answering roll call: Trustees, Johnathan Chisam, Dave Charles, Gina Rusciolelli, Jim Mileham, Michelle Landess, and Mayor Joe Bartley.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Trustee Mileham made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-08 AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MONEY FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERTON, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE 1st DAY OF MAY, 2025 AND ENDING ON THE 30th DAY OF APRIL, 2026. Trustee Rusciolelli seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Mileham, Landess, and Mayor Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Mileham made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-09 AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS OF SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 2025. Trustee Rusciolelli seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Mileham, Landess, and Mayor Bartley voted yes.

Trustee Mileham made a motion to approve April 21st board meeting minutes, and pay the bills. It was seconded by Trustee Landess. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Mileham, Landess, and Mayor Bartley voted yes.

People to Address the Board:

Jim Cribbett addressed the board on behalf of the Library board thanking the board for fixing the sidewalk in front of the library.

Laura Pickrell addressed the board on behalf of the Birth to 3 Program with the school district seeking donations for their Literacy Walk benefiting children from Birth to 5 in the school district. Trustee Landess made a motion to approve \$500 for the program. Trustee Mileham seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Mileham, Landess, and Mayor Bartley voted yes.

Crystal Norris addressed the board regarding her property on Jamestown in regards to damage to the property from sump pump issues. Mayor Bartley requested that they re-start action regarding the property.

A representative from Globe Life Residential addressed the board regarding employee benefits. They will contact Office Manager Patterson.

Bob Rusciolelli addressed the board regarding old signs in the village. Trustee Landess reported that the committee was looking into the replacement of some signs in the village.

Old Business:

Interim Mayor Bartley resigned his trustee position due to being elected to Mayor.

Trustee Landess made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Existing Village Board at 7:25 pm. Trustee Charles seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Mileham, and Landess voted yes.

The new village board meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm.

Mayor Bartley, Trustees Chisam, Rusciolelli, Mileham, and Landess were administered the Oath of Office.

Those answering roll call: Trustees, Johnathan Chisam, Dave Charles, Gina Rusciolelli, Jim Mileham, Michelle Landess, and Mayor Joe Bartley.

New Business:

Trustee Mileham made a motion to approve the Appointment of Joshua Zirkelbach to fill the trustee vacancy. Trustee Rusciolelli seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, and Mileham voted yes. Trustee Landess voted no. Trustee Zirkelbach was administered the Oath of Office.

Trustee Landess made a motion to approve the appointment of Erin Brusky as the Village Clerk. Trustee Rusciolelli seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, and Landess voted yes.

Trustee Rusciolelli made a motion to approve the appointment of Sydney March as the Village Treasurer. Trustee Landess seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, and Landess voted yes.

Trustee Rusciolelli made a motion to approve the appointment of Committees as suggested by Mayor Bartley. Trustee Mileham seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, voted yes. Trustee Landess voted no.

Trustee Rusciolelli made a motion to approve Ordinance 25-10 An Ordinance Appointing Jim Mileham to the IMEA Board of Directors. Trustee Charles seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, and Landess voted yes. Trustee Mileham abstained.

Superintendent Lyons, submitted his report. Trustee Chisam made a motion to approve \$2832 to replace a culvert on River Road. Trustee Charles seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, and Landess voted yes.

Chief Crouch, submitted his report. He acknowledged Officer Herzog, Martin, Carter, John and Deputy Chief Landgrebe for their exceptional work on cases regarding a speeding ticket with a warrant, a debit card that was stolen, a potential burglary, and a substitute teacher concern.

Office Manager Patterson, had nothing to report.

Treasurer March, thanked the board for her appointment. She also thanked everyone for their help with the budget process.

Committee Reports:

Trustee Zirkelbach, chairperson of the Administrative Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Rusciolelli, chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Mileham, chairperson of the Public Utility Committee, made a motion to waive bids and approve up to \$7000 per month up to 5 months to treat the sewer plant. Trustee Landess seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, and Landess voted yes. He also reported that Comcast is working on coming into Riverton to provide internet service.

Trustee Charles, chairperson of the Parks Committee, updated that a slide was coming for Center Park, the archaeological study was complete for the Field of Dreams, requested that Superintendent Lyons place the swings and basketball equipment for Wheeland Park and Field of Dreams. He also reported that dirt had been spread on ball diamonds and the pickleball court lights had been adjusted again to go off at 10 pm due to neighbor complaints.

Trustee Chisam, chairperson of the Public Works Committee, had nothing to report.

Trustee Landess, chairperson of the Economic Development Committee, thanked Tiffany Wester for 23 years of service to the Village and Tiffany Bailey for 2 years of service to the Village.

Mayor Bartley reported that he would send committee meeting notes out from the RLC he attended.

Trustee Landess made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:52pm. Trustee Charles seconded. Trustees Chisam, Charles, Rusciolelli, Zirkelbach, Mileham, and Landess voted yes.

_____ Mayor _____ Date

_____Clerk