

VILLAGE OF ROCKDALE
Board Meeting Minutes of
June 18, 2024

I. Call to Order

Village President Mr. Wyke called to order the regular meeting of the Rockdale Village Board at 7:00 p.m. on June 18, 2024, at the Village Municipal Building, 79 Moen Avenue, Rockdale, Illinois.

II. Roll Call

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Wyke asked for a roll call. Trustee Mr. Lorenc was present along with Mr. Scheidt, Mr. Stadler, Mr. Cooling, and Mr. Pirc. Also present in person were Police Chief Mr. Robert Dykstra, Village Engineer Mr. Dan Malinowski, Village Attorney Mr. Stiff and Public Works Superintendent Mr. Angelo Proia. Trustee Barnes was absent.

III. Approval of Previous Minutes

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Village Board meeting minutes from June 4, 2024, as written. Mr. Scheidt made a motion to approve the minutes as written with a second by Mr. Cooling. Motion carried 6 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

IV. Visitors

None

V. Bills and Claims.

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Bills & Claims. Mr. Stadler made a motion to approve with a second by Mr. Lorenc. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

VI. Clerk's Receipts

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Clerk's Receipts as submitted. Mr. Lorenc made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Stadler. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 absent.

VII. Treasurer's Receipts

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Treasurer's Receipts as submitted. Mr. Cooling made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Scheidt. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays 1 absent.

VIII. Treasurer's Report

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for a Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Mr. Cooling made a Motion to approve with a second by Mr. Lorenc. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays 1 absent.

IX. Building Permits

None

X. Communications

Village President Mr. Wyke asked for any Communications. There were none.

XI. Old Business

Village President Mr. Wyke asked the members of the Board for any old business. There was none.

XII. New Business

Mr. Wyke asked Board members for any new business. There was none. At this time, Mr. Pirc excused himself from the meeting. This left four members of the Board in attendance.

The first item on the agenda was the Ratification of the hiring of summer help at the State of Illinois mandatory minimum wage of \$14.00 per hour. Mr. Stiff reminded the Board that at the last meeting there was a consensus among the Trustees to authorize hiring of the summer help and to have them started immediately due to the Village needs. This is the vote to formalize the hiring. Mr. Stadler made a motion to ratify the summer help hiring at \$14.00 per hour with a second by Mr. Lorenc. Motion carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

Next on the Agenda was the swearing in of new Rockdale Police Officer Jesse Nelson. Mr. Wyke asked Deputy Chief Baikie to provide the background on the Police Department's newest officer, after which the Village Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Officer Nelson, who was present with various family and friends. Mr. Nelson thanked each member of the Board for their support and welcome to the Village.

XIII. Department Business

Public Works Superintendent Mr. Proia presented his update. Mr. Proia confirmed with the Board that they wanted to proceed with the dedication and signs in memory of former Public Works Director James ("Smokey") Planinsek at the SeaBee Diamond baseball field. The design had been previously approved by the Trustees. Mr. Proia provided proofs to the Planinsek family, who not only approved the design of the signs but also expressed their gratitude to the Village for the proposed memorial. Chief Dykstra confirmed with the Trustees that they wanted two signs to be located along the left and right fields.

Mr. Proia reported that his staff has been working in the Village alleys.

Finally, Alliance Fence Company is completing the work for new bollards and guard rails at the Village Lift Station.

Police Chief Mr. Dykstra shared the recent police activity report for the past two weeks. Also, his department has been working with the Illinois State Police on LEADS/NCIC audits with the department completing two of the audits to the satisfaction of the Illinois State Police.

Village Attorney Mr. Stiff reviewed the status of the Nunez Parking Variance Ordinance, which is ready to be signed. Mr. Stiff recommended that the Ordinance not be recorded until Mr. Nunez either has his requested meeting with the Village Staff or begins the process of having the new tavern business approved.

After Village Engineer Mr. Dan Malinowski arrived, he provided a handout which included a section about the 606-608 Elm Court property which has submitted plans to install additional gravel on the property for storage. Mr. Wyke asked whether there was a Professional Fee Agreement in place prior to the project's start.

Mr. Scheidt asked about the about the Kinsey and Margaret drainage problem on IDOT property. Mr. Malinowski indicated that he was still waiting for a response from IDOT to his email.

Mr. Wyke asked about the progress of the planned development of the Mound Road property by Schwarz Logistics. Mr. Malinowski discussed details of the recent meeting with the owner, at which Mr. Stiff and Mr. Wyke were in attendance. Topics discussed included easement issues still to be resolved. The Village is currently waiting on the owner to submit the design drawings requested by Mr. Malinowski

XIV. Public Comment

None

XV. Special Business

None

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XVI.Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, Mr. Wyke announced that the Village will be changing its cleaning service effective in two weeks. The planned replacement was discussed.

Finally, Mr. Wyke reminded the Clerk that a Professional Fee Agreement is needed for the Alliance Fence Company in the amount of \$8,000.00. The Clerk was directed to have that ready by the next business day.

Mr. Wyke then asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. A Motion was made by Mr. Cooling with a second by Mr. Scheidt. Motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

The next Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday July 2, 2024.