

**MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, HELD ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2009**

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 p.m. on December 17, 2009.

At this 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 Michael Ellington	Present
Trustee Phyllis Paro	Present
Trustee Bruce Stocker	Present
Chairman Steve Paro	Present

Village Clerk Megan Asikainen and Attorney Christopher B. Graville were also present.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, SUGGESTIONS, AND PETITIONS:

Theo Brown, 9901 Lilac Drive. Mr. Brown stated he was an elected two-term committeeman of the St. Ferdinand Township and was working on a petition to upgrade the Village to a third or fourth-class city. He stated that he sent the Board of Trustees and the St. Louis County Council copies of the proposed petition. He asked that the Board consider placing the issue on the next ballot and said that if they chose not to do so, he would circulate the petition. He also asked that the Board of Trustees consider allowing him to use the City Hall meeting room to hold committee meetings on the second Thursday of the month so that his constituents would not have to go to Clayton. Attorney Graville said that he had reviewed Mr. Brown's petition and that the only way the issue could be placed on the ballot is if the Board of Trustees passed an Ordinance to have it placed on the ballot. Mr. Brown disagreed with Attorney Graville on the matter. Attorney Graville stated that he would discuss the feasibility and costs associated with the use of City Hall with the Village Clerk.

Art Henke, 371 Adrian. Mr. Henke stated he was present to ask the Board for help to stop the illegal dumping on Adrian Drive. He said that he has made complaints to the Inspector and that the Village and the courts are not solving the problem. He suggested that the Board consider blocking off access to Adrian at the St. Louis City border. Attorney Graville stated that he would discuss stepping up enforcement in the area with the Police Department and try to make contact with surrounding agencies to discuss the possibility of blocking off the street.

John Lee, 482 Scenic. Mr. Lee stated that he was present to follow up on his discussion from the last meeting regarding 482 Scenic. He said that he had requested that the Village provide him, in writing, what it would take to get the property into compliance but that he had not received anything yet. Attorney Graville said that he would review all of the Village's documentation on the property and discuss the issue further with the Building Inspector.

Lynda Foster, 10063 Northgate. Ms. Foster said that she objected to the Christmas gifts to employees and Trustees and the Christmas party. She said that she did not

receive her newsletter. Ms. Asikainen responded that she had verified the address list that was sent to the printer and Ms. Foster's address was on the list. She advised Ms. Foster to check with the Postal Service. Ms. Foster commented on the arrival time of Village employees on the election filing day. She said after the last Board meeting she was told she had to leave the building by the Village Clerk. Trustee Stocker responded that the building was closed. Ms. Foster said to never tell her again to leave the building. She asked if the amount of the gifts for employees and Trustees was voted on. Ms. Asikainen responded that it was approved in the budget. Chairman Paro said that he thought it was sad that Ms. Foster was objecting to the candy being given to the children in the Village. Ms. Foster stated that she hopes Mr. Lee "Section Eights" his house.

Gloria Bruzaitis, 9734 Diamond. Ms. Bruzaitis stated that there were quite a few rental houses and vacant houses in the Village and asked if there were any steps being taken to address the issue. She said that the yards at these properties are kept in disrepair. Attorney Graville said that it is a constant struggle for the Village but that there were some administrative things in place to address this such as the Vacant Residential Structure Registration which begins in January, a landlord licensing procedure that began last spring, and that the Street Department will eventually go out and abate whatever nuisance is present and place a lien on the property for the cost of the abatement. Ms. Bruzaitis also stated that she thought that giving the children candy at Christmas from Santa was a nice tradition that went as far back as the beginning of the Village. She said that she always looked forward to it as a child and that she was sure that the children in the Village still looked forward to Santa's visit.

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETINGS

A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to dispense with the reading of the Public Hearing Minutes of November 19, 2009 and approve them as submitted. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to dispense with the reading of the Special Open Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2009 and approve them as submitted. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Michael Ellington to dispense with the reading of the Monthly Board Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2009 and approve them as submitted. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to continue the reading and approval of the Closed Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2009 and approve them as submitted. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to dispense with the reading of the Special Open Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2009 and approve them as submitted. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Finance Liaison's Report (Treasurer's Report): The Treasurer's Report reflected the following account balances: The ending balance for the General Account was \$16,413.35, the ending balance for the Bond Account was \$8,533.07, the ending balance for the Capital Improvement Account was \$319,256.96, the ending balance for the Sewer Lateral Account was \$92,514.44, and the ending balance for the Police Training Fund Account was \$24,899.46. The ending balances for the Certificates of Deposit with First Community were \$100,000.00, \$100,000.00, and \$87,070.17.

Public Works Liaison's Report. Trustee Howard Pierce reported that the Street Department picked up litter 12 times, removed garbage 4 times, cleaned up the park 5 times, maintained 10 vacant properties, maintained 22 Village-owned properties, emptied the trash cans 16 times, cleaned City Hall once a week, worked on the 2010 budget, picked up branches from 30 properties, cleared a downed tree off of Chambers Road, cleared the storm drains 4 times, turned 5 blocked inlets in to MSD, reported 5 faulty street lights to Ameren UE, removed 1 dead animal, cleared brush from the street in 3 locations, replaced the rear brakes on the dump truck, and reset the stop sign at Habecking and Northgate.

Street Commissioner's Report. Nothing to report.

Police Liaison's Report. Trustee Bruce Stocker, reported that the Police Department made 12 adult arrests, 3 juvenile arrests, wrote 300 tickets, responded to 634 calls for service, and wrote 108 reports. The total miles driven on police vehicles were 6,482.

Zoning and Building Liaison's Report. Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that the Building Commissioner inspected 18 houses and 12 apartments. He issued 22 codes of compliance, issued 8 codes of non-compliance. He issued 2 building permits, 9 warnings, and 19 summonses. He completed 4 framing and footing inspections.

Deputy Building Inspector's Report. Nothing to report.

Health Commissioner's Report. Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that the health Commissioner issued 3 summonses.

Chairman's Report. Chairman Paro thanked the Village Clerk for her hard work.

Clerk's Report. Ms. Asikainen said that she was working on getting the new court system up and running and that a lot of time over the last month was spent working on the Village budget.

Attorney's Report. Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. BILL 102: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE 2009 FISCAL YEAR OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI.**

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to read Bill 102 by title only for the first time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE 2009 FISCAL YEAR OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Michael Ellington to read Bill 102 by title only for the second time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE 2009 FISCAL YEAR OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI

A motion was made by trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to enact Bill 102 as Ordinance 09-25. By roll call vote:

Trustee Howard Pierce	Aye
Trustee Michael Ellington	Aye
Trustee Phyllis Paro	Aye
Trustee Bruce Stocker	Aye
Chairman Steve Paro	Aye

All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried. Bill 102 becomes Ordinance 09-25 upon being duly signed by the Chairman and attested by Village Clerk.

B. BILL 103: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, RATIFYING, AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010.

A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to read Bill 103 by title only for the first time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, RATIFYING, AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to read Bill 103 by title only for the second time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, RATIFYING, AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to enact Bill 100 as Ordinance 09-26. By roll call vote:

Trustee Howard Pierce	Aye
Trustee Michael Ellington	Aye
Trustee Phyllis Paro	Aye
Trustee Bruce Stocker	Aye
Chairman Steve Paro	Aye

All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried. Bill 103 becomes Ordinance 09-26 upon being duly signed by the Chairman and attested by the Village Clerk.

C. Discuss City Hall hours of operation for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to allow the employees to close at noon on Christmas Eve and 3:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve using Comp Time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

D. Discuss Derelict Auto Ordinance. Ms. Asikainen distributed to the Board members a detailed report listing the number of derelict auto cases in the municipal court for the year and how those cases were disposed of. Attorney Graville said that, in his experience with the court cases as Prosecutor, the court was striving to get the offenders into compliance. He said that the number of derelict autos were declining. All Trustees were in agreement that the current system of providing a warning to the property owners or occupants was sufficient.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

MOTION TO PAY BILLS:

A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to pay all bills. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

REPORT OF SALARY OR PERSONNEL CHANGES:

MOTION TO HAVE A CLOSED MEETING:

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Howard Pierce and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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:

Megan Asikainen, Village Clerk