

**MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI, HELD ON
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 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 7:30 p.m. on May 28, 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:

Julie Stone, 269 Habecking. Ms. Stone stated that she wanted to request that the Village look into the possibility of purchasing a new occupancy permit computer system that doesn't require social security numbers to be given.

Ron Ritchey, 10099 Grosvenor. Mr. Ritchey stated he wished to complain about high grass in Denness Hills. He said that there were two homes on Grosvenor with high grass 10044 and 10049 Grosvenor. He said that there were branches on one of the properties as well. He stated that the grass was over a foot tall and was a health hazard due to mosquitoes and rodents. He also said that the Riverview Baptist Church sign at the corner of Habecking and Northgate was hanging and in danger of falling.

Lynda Foster, 10063 Northgate. Ms. Foster said that she did not see the attorney's bill on the list of bills to be paid. Attorney Graville responded that he did not submit it to the Village in time to be included on the list. Ms. Foster stated that the General Account balance was down \$31,000 from the prior month and wanted to know why. She said that she wanted to object to Trustee Phyllis Paro and Chairman Steve Paro voting on Rite-Way Auto. Trustee Paro replied that she consulted with the Village Attorney and was told that there was no conflict of interest with either herself or Chairman Paro. Attorney Graville responded that there is no conflict of interest. Ms. Foster said that on March 29 she asked the Village Clerk if Dan Fraley was a certified inspector and was told that he was not. She wanted to know why he was not. She said that the Village of Riverview looks appalling in some places. She also stated that the day after the last Board meeting she witnessed the Building Inspector getting breakfast at Hardees in Truck 6. Trustee Paro responded that she spoke with the Building Inspector regarding the incident and was shown a time-stamped receipt from Quiktrip across from Hardees where the Inspector stopped to get gas prior to stopping at Hardees. She said that she has no problem with him stopping in the drive-thru to get something for breakfast. Finally, Ms. Foster stated that the Village Clerk should be terminated for violating the Sunshine Law.

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETINGS

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Howard Pierce to amend the Public Hearing Minutes of April 23, 2009 to reflect that Trustee Michael Ellington arrived late and was not absent. 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 Public Hearing Minutes of April 23, 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 Howard Pierce to dispense with the reading of the Monthly Board Meeting Minutes of April 23, 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 \$31,081.17, the ending balance for the Bond Account was \$11,470.49, the ending balance for the Capital Improvement Account was \$330,123.08, the ending balance for the Sewer Lateral Account was \$94,853.56, and the ending balance for the Police Training Fund Account was \$24,221.99. 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 13 times, removed garbage 2 times, disposed of 1 dead animal, cleaned up the park 2 times, cleaned up City Hall 4 times, maintained 5 Riverview properties, installed a sump pump and trimmed a tree at City Hall, purchased solid tires and replaced the blades on the Scag mower, and rebuilt the chipper box with materials that were on hand.

Street Commissioner's Report. Nothing to report.

Police Liaison's Report. Trustee Bruce Stocker reported that the Police Department made 15 adult arrests and 3 juvenile arrests. The officers wrote 298 tickets, responded to 605 calls for service, wrote 96 reports, and drove 7,244 miles of patrol.

Zoning and Building Liaison's Report. Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that the Building Commissioner inspected 17 houses and 3 apartments. He issued 14 codes of compliance, issued 6 codes of non-compliance. He issued 2 building permits, 25 warnings, and 20 summonses. He completed 1 framing and footing inspection and issued 3 stop work orders.

Deputy Building Inspector's Report. Nothing to report.

Health Commissioner's Report. Trustee Phyllis Paro reported that the Health Commissioner issued 96 warnings for debris and grass and 11 summonses.

Chairman's Report. Nothing to report.

Clerk's Report. Village Clerk Megan Asikainen reported that the Village Bulk Trash Drop-Off and Dog Clinics were coming up in June.

Attorney's Report. Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Discuss and approve landscaping for cell phone tower at 10045 Toelle.

Trustee Pierce stated that Phil Crimi had gone to a nursery and discussed with them the types of plants they would recommend for such a job and priced those plants. He said that the nursery had recommended 50 of one style bush and that those bushes could be supplemented with smaller plants. He said that the cost of each bush was about \$50 which would make the cost of the job much higher than initially proposed. Trustee Stocker suggested either native grasses or knockout roses for the landscaping. Trustee Pierce agreed that the native grasses would be easier to maintain because they would require less watering for them to take hold. Attorney Graville suggested that Mr. Crimi go to the nursery with pictures of the site and the other suggestions and see if there were some alternatives that would be less costly and easier to maintain. A motion was made by Trustee Howard Pierce and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to postpone further discussion of the issue until the next monthly meeting. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

B. Discuss proposed changes to Section 217 of the Code of Ordinances regarding derelict autos.

Ms. Asikainen said that there had been some further discussions with the Police Chief and the Village Attorney and that there still seemed to be no clear direction on whether or not the Ordinance should be changed to allow car covers. Chairman Paro said that Trustee Ellington made the point that if the Village allows people to have cars without plates, other cars will come in from other neighborhoods. He asked if the Village could look at the occupancy permits on the properties and limit the amount of cars being allowed to be parked on the properties. Trustees Paro and Stocker said that they would not be in favor of setting a limit on the number of cars residents are allowed to have. Ms. Asikainen said that the Police Chief has suggested that, beginning June 1, instead of writing a summons for the derelict auto, the Patrolman would first issue a letter giving the property owner 30 days to remove the vehicle before they will issue a summons. Trustee Paro asked if, after the 30 days is up and a ticket issued, the person would have to go in front of the Judge. Trustee Stocker responded that from the point the summons is issued the person generally will then have between four and six weeks before the court date. He said that the person then has the choice of paying the fine out of court or coming to court and that the Judges usually give people another month to get the car removed if they need it. Ms. Asikainen said that the clerks in the office try to encourage people who have removed the vehicles to come to court because the Judges take compliance into consideration when assessing the fines but that the standard fine, if the person chooses to pay the ticket out of court, is \$100 because the Village wants the fine to deter residents from keeping derelict autos on their properties. Trustee Paro said that she was concerned that there was a discrepancy between what the Ordinance says and what is actually in practice. Trustee Stocker responded that there is only one officer that writes derelict auto

tickets and there will only be one officer issuing the warning letters and with the warning letter system the residents will have three to four months to get into compliance. Ms. Asikainen said that she would audit the derelict auto tickets written since the beginning of the year and give the Trustees a report about the court dispositions at the next monthly meeting.

C. Discuss whether to acquire 1 additional Trustee property from St. Louis County. Ms. Asikainen said that at the last monthly meeting the Trustees voted to acquire 7 Trustee properties and that she had inadvertently left 9830 Diamond Drive off of the list. She said that there was an apartment building on the property that the Village demolished in 2005. She said that the Village has been maintaining the property and that there were liens on the property around \$20,000 for the demolition and maintenance. She added that this property was located directly across from the large lot that the Village just purchased on Diamond Drive. A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to acquire 9830 Diamond Drive from the St. Louis County Trustee Office for the \$27.00 recording cost. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

D. Discuss JAG Grant application submitted May 18, 2009 for court system. Ms. Asikainen said that she and the Police Chief were informed of a Justice Assistance Grant that the Village could use over the course of three years to pay for costs associated with a new court system. She said that the application was completed and submitted on May 18, 2009 and that the Village should hear something on the grant by fall. She said that the amount of the grant was \$17,890.00 but that the total costs of the court system for three years would be about \$25,000.00 so the Village would have to match funds of about \$8,000.00 if approved. She said that the court system had also been discounted by \$4,500.00 for a short time making this an opportune time for the Village to apply for the funding.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. BILL 088: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE TO ACCEPT FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS LOCATOR NUMBERS 11E310151 (9830 DIAMOND DRIVE), 11E310618 (309 NORTHRIDGE), 11E330362 (10036 STIMSON), 11E330885 (261 COBURG), 12E230472 (580 LEETON), 12E420262 (9531 WEST), 12E540205 (470 BLUFF), AND 12E54223 (482 BLUFF) HELD IN TRUSTE BY THE TRUSTEE OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, FOR A FEE OF TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$27.00) EACH PROPERTY TO COVER THE RECORDING FEES.

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Michael Ellington to read Bill 088 by title only for the first time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

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A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Michael Ellington to read Bill 088 by title only for the second time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

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A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to enact Bill 088 as Ordinance 09-11. 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 088 becomes Ordinance 09-11 upon being duly signed by the Chairman and attested by the Village Clerk.

B. BILL 089: AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF KINLOCH FOR THE HOUSING OF PRISONERS.

A motion was made by Trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to read Bill 089 by title only for the first time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF KINLOCH FOR THE HOUSING OF PRISONERS

A motion was made by Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to read Bill 089 by title only for the first time. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVERVIEW, MISSOURI,
AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO
EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF KINLOCH FOR THE
HOUSING OF PRISONERS

A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to enact Bill 089 as Ordinance 09-12. 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 089 becomes Ordinance 09-12 upon being duly signed by the Chairman and attested by the Village Clerk.

- C. Review and approve bid packets for trash cans and drinking fountain.** Ms. Asikainen said that she had prepared bid packets for the installation of trash receptacles at locations throughout the Village and a drinking fountain at Brad L. Schultz, Jr. Memorial Park. Trustee Paro asked if the money would be from the Community Development Block Grant. Ms. Asikainen responded that it was but that there may be some additional cost, depending upon the bids. A motion was made by trustee Phyllis Paro and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to approve the bid packets for the trash cans and drinking fountain. All Trustees voted in the affirmative, the motion carried. Ms. Asikainen said that the bid notice would be published in early June and that the bids would be opened prior to the June monthly meeting.
- D. Discuss City Hall's hours of operation for the Fourth of July holiday.** Ms. Asikainen said that the Fourth of July falls on a Saturday this year and that some cities were electing to close in observance of the holiday on the Monday following instead of the Friday prior to. A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to close City Hall on Friday, July 3, 2009 in observance of the Fourth of July holiday.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

MOTION TO PAY BILLS:

A motion was made by Trustee Bruce Stocker and seconded by Trustee Michael Ellington 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:

A motion was made by Trustee Michael Ellington and seconded by Trustee Phyllis Paro to have a closed meeting following this regular monthly meeting in accordance with RSMo 610.021/610.022 Section(s) (3). 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 to hold a closed meeting immediately following the regular monthly meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Howard Pierce and seconded by Trustee Bruce Stocker to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 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