

**RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 10, 2023**

LOUIS B. SCHELLING MEMORIAL BOARD ROOM
RANTOUL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 333 S. TANNER, RANTOUL, IL

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rantoul was held at 6:00 P.M.

The Clerk stated that in the absence of the Mayor, the Board needed to elect a Presiding Officer for the meeting. Trustee Robertson moved that Trustee Hall be nominated as the Presiding Officer. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Hall called the meeting to order.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Wilson opened the meeting with prayer. Following the invocation, Trustee Workman led the audience in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the roll, finding the following members present:

Trustees Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman and Weathersby – 6.

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:

Scott Eisenhauer, Administrator; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Chad Smith, Fire Chief; Jake McCoy, Public Works Director; Corky Vericker, Airport Manager; Andy Graham, Assistant Recreation and Parks Director; David Wesner, Attorney and Janet Gray, Village Clerk.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Robertson moved to approve the agenda for the meeting, as presented. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Hall turned the meeting over to Fire Chief Chad Smith for a Fire Department Promotional Ceremony.

- Lt. Jason McMorris was promoted to Captain.
- Capt. Jeremy Larson was promoted to Assistant Chief and will oversee the technology of the department.
- Capt. Richard Carr was promoted to Assistant Chief. He will be the Publicity Officer.
- Assistant Chief Geoff Wall was promoted to Deputy Chief and will be in charge of all department training.
- Assistant Chief Kevin Kaiser is retiring in the next month with over 40 years of service to the Village.

Public Participation

Amy Eisenhower thanked the Trustees for all their support this year. She spoke against those who have been spreading information to slander the Administrator.

Jack Anderson said he felt that the Village did not have the proper leadership from the Board, especially from the Mayor. He felt the Board should get ahead of situations.

Kristian Hopkins informed the Board and community about Solar Urbana Champaign who offers a program that allows home owners and business owners to make a group buy of solar power.

Chris Powers spoke about Melissa Wilhelm who he said filed for an emergency order of protection against Mr. Eisenhower.

Wendell Goldston spoke to the board about the community working together through difficult times.

Loise Haines spoke to the Board.

A. Consent Agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda Items by Omnibus Vote

- A. Minutes of September 5, 2023 Board Study Session
- B. Minutes of September 12, 2023 Board Meeting
- C. Bills and Monthly Financial Reports

Trustee Robertson moved to approve the Consent Agenda items by omnibus vote. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

B. Consideration of Bids, Contracts & Other Items of Expenditure

Trustee Robertson moved to waive the formal bidding process and to authorize and approve the purchase of Pulsar Briquette Chlorine for the Hap Parker Family Aquatic Center from Spear Corporation in the amount of \$29,600.00. Trustee Workman seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman, Weathersby and Wilson – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Workman moved to authorize and approve the purchase of a replacement Dump Truck/Snow Plow for the Public Works Street & Systems Division in an amount not-to-exceed \$240,000.00. Trustee Crider seconded motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson, Crider and Hall – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Weathersby moved to authorize and approve an Engineering Services Agreement with Donohue & Associates, Inc. for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Systems Project (Phase I) in the amount of \$1,302,130.00. Trustee Workman seconded the vote. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall and Workman – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Wilson moved to authorize and approve the Local Agency Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation Department of Aeronautics to allocate funding for Engineering and Construction costs for the Airport Improvements to Rehabilitate Runway 18-36 in the Amount of \$74,960.08.

Trustee Robertson seconded motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman and Weathersby – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

C. Consideration of Ordinances & Resolutions

Resolution 10-23-1397

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT REGARDING EXPANDING SERVICES OF THE RANTOUL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROGRAM “C-CARTS”

Trustee Weathersby moved to pass Resolution No. 10-23-1397. Trustee Crider seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson, Crider and Hall – 5.

NAYS: Workman - 1

The motion carried 5-1.

D. Other Business

There was no other business.

E. Public Announcements

The Rantoul Fire Department will hold an Open Housing Celebrating Fire Prevention Week on Wednesday, October 11 from 6:00-8:00 pm.

F. Closed Session

Trustee Wilson moved to go into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 1, to consider the employment, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee. Trustee Workman seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman and Weathersby – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

The Village entered into Closed Session at 6:48 pm.

The Village returned to Open Session at 7:27 pm.

G. Adjournment

Trustee Workman moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson, Crider and Hall – 6.

NAYS: None – 0.

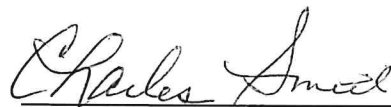
The motion carried 6-0.

The Presiding Officer adjourned the meeting.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:29 pm.

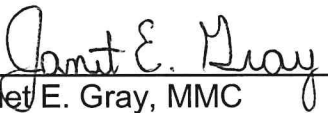
Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

Approved



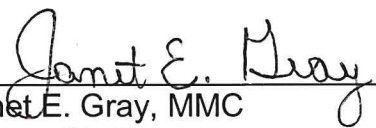
Charles Smith
Village President

ATTEST:



Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk

I, Janet E. Gray, Village Clerk of the Village of Rantoul, Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 10, 2023 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.



Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk