RANTOUL VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2024

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., President Charles Smith presiding. President Smith called the meeting to order.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Pastor Terry Shepard, Christian Life Community Church opened the meeting with prayer. Following the invocation, Trustee Hall led the audience in recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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

Mayor Smith, and Trustees Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall, Workman and Weathersby – 7.

The following representatives of Village departments were also present:

Scott Eisenhauer, Administrator; Tony Brown, Police Chief; Chad Smith, Fire Chief; Angie Schultz, Comptroller; Andy Graham, Assistant Recreation Director; Jake McCoy, Public Works Director; Chris Milliken, Planning and Zoning; Bryan Hunt, Community Development; Debbie Sage, Human Resources; David Wesner, Attorney; Tana Ward, Deputy Village Clerk and Janet Gray, Village Clerk.

Approval of Agenda

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

YEAS: Hall, Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson and Crider – 6.
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Public Participation

Jim Cheek addressed the Board regarding the public comments at the December Board meeting concerning a Village Police Officer.

A. Consent Agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda Items by Omnibus Vote

A. Minutes of Regular Study Session December 5, 2023.
B. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting December 12, 2023.
C. Approval of bills and monthly financial report.

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 Hall moved to authorize and approve an Engineering Agreement for the Community Development Block Grant funded Design of Sidewalk Improvements, and the Oversight of Construction, with Hutchison Engineering, Inc in the amount not-to-exceed $39,991.00. Trustee Weathersby seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson and Crider – 6.
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Note: This agreement is to design sidewalk improvements along Grove Street and Mitchell Court and along Wabash Avenue around the Community Service Center Building. CDBG funds have been budgeted for the design and construction of the sidewalks.

Trustee Wilson moved to authorize and approve an Engineering Agreement for the Review and Development of a Water Distribution System Master Plan Study with Donohue & Associates, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed of $74,200.00. Trustee Hall 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.

Note: This study is being done to determine future load growth and system expansion needs. The engineering fees will be funded in the Water Funds for FY 2024.

Trustee Hall moved to authorize and approve an Engineering Agreement for the Review and Development of a Stormwater System Master Plan Study with Donohue & Associates, Inc. in the amount not-to-exceed of $84,300.00. Trustee Workman seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson and Crider – 6.
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Note: This study is being done to determine future load growth and system expansion needs. The engineering fees will be funded in the Storm Drainage funds for FY 2024.

C. Consideration of Ordinances & Resolutions

Resolution No. 1-24-1405
A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE UNDER THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY CODE

Trustee Hall moved to pass Resolution No. 1-24-1405. Trustee Robertson seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson and Crider – 6.
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

Resolution No. 1-24-1406
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR FEDERAL PARTICIPATION CONCERNING THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT (Pleasant Acres)

Trustee Robertson moved to pass Resolution No. 1-24-1406. Trustee Wilson 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.

D. Public Announcement

Trustee Wilson asked about warming centers in anticipation of the upcoming inclement weather. The Forum will be used from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm. If outside of those hours, citizens should go to the Police Station. Transportation is available if roads are passable. If the Interstate is closed or there is an accident, the Sports Complex Center will be opened as a shelter.

E. Closed Session

Trustee Weathersby moved to go into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 21, for the discussion of Minutes of meetings lawfully Closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for the purposes of approval by the body of the Minutes or semi-annual review of the Minutes as mandated by Section 2.06
AND
pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 6, to consider the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. Trustee second Crider seconded the motion. One a roll call vote:

YEAS: Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson, Crider, Hall and Workman - 6
NAYS: None – 0.

Motion carried 6-0.

The Board entered into closed session at 6:38 pm.

The Board returned to open session at 7:04 pm.

F. Other Business

Resolution No. 1-24-1404
A RESOLUTION DETERMINING WHETHER THE NEED FOR CONFIDENTIALITY STILL EXISTS OR IS NO LONGER REQUIRED AS TO ALL OR PART OF THE MINUTES OF ALL CONFIDENTIAL CLOSED MEETINGS

Trustee Hall moved to pass Resolution No. 1-24-1404. Trustee Workman seconded the motion. On a Roll Call vote:

YEAS: Hall, Workman, Weathersby, Wilson, Robertson and Crider – 6.
NAYS: None – 0.

The motion carried 6-0.

The Human Resources December 2023 Village Applicant Demographics Report was included in the Board Packet.

The Village will be advertising for seasonal employees in the next month.

G. Adjournment

Trustee Robertson moved to adjourn the meeting. 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.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:10 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 January 9, 2023 as the same appears on the records of the Village now in my custody and keeping.

Janet E. Gray, MMC
Village Clerk