



# VILLAGE OF RIVER GROVE, ILLINOIS

2621 Thatcher Avenue, River Grove, Illinois

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## MINUTES

of the **SPECIAL Village Board Meeting** of the President and Board of Trustees held on Monday, January 08, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**Publication and Notice.** Notice of tonight's meeting was published in the Tribune Media Group (formerly known as Pioneer Press), Elm Leaves edition, on December 14, 2023, and, notice and the Agenda were posted on the bulletin board of the Village Hall at 2621 Thatcher Avenue, and at the Senior Community Center where the courtroom and board room are housed, at 2601 Thatcher, River Grove, Illinois on January 04, 2024, and posted at the Village website, as well as e-mailed to the Board members and department heads.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The meeting was called to Order by President Guerin at 6:00 p.m.

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2. **ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE:**

Clerk Manchen took the roll of **board members** as follows:

**Present in Person:** President David B. Guerin and Clerk Marjorie A. Manchen, and Trustees Lynn M. Bjorvik, Robert C. Thomas, Christopher J. Lilly, Lora M. Lantgen, Benjamin E. Ramirez and Frank J. Obaya.

**Absent:** None.

A Quorum was declared by Clerk Manchen.

**Dept. Heads / Staff Present in Person:** Village Engineer Mark Lucas; Village Attorney Bart A. Smith; Police Chief Michael Konwinski; Public Works Dir. Brock Leder; HR/Com. Dir. Shawn Campbell; Recreation Dir. Katie Muellner; and Building Commissioner Chuck Fredrickson. Village Comptroller Greg Peters was present via telephone conference.

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3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** President Guerin confirmed that the Board members previously received and reviewed the Minutes listed on tonight's Agenda. A **Motion** was then made by Trustee Thomas, seconded by Trustee Bjorvik to **approve** the following **Minutes** and that they be archived accordingly:

- a. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 07, 2023;
- b. Public Hearing Re: 2023 Property Tax Levy Minutes of December 07, 2023; and
- c. Public Hearing Re: Proposed 2024 Budget Minutes of December 07, 2023.

No questions were posed, and no discussion ensued. **Motion carried** unanimously on a Voice Vote.

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8. **RESOLUTIONS:**

a. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-01.** President Guerin called Resolution 2024-R-01. Clerk Manchen read aloud the title or description of Resolution 2024-R-01 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-01.** A Resolution Ratifying the Water Service Replacement at 8056 W Grand Ave for a Total Cost of \$25,000 To Permidt Engineering Ltd of Franklin Park, Illinois.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Lantgen, seconded by Trustee Bjorvik to **adopt Resolution 2024-R-01** as presented.
- Guerin and Public Works Dir. Brock Leder summarized this Resolution for all present, and stated that Bill Pazdzioch obtained multiple bids for the project and the one in this Resolution was the lowest bid.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-02.** President Guerin called Resolution 2024-R-02. Clerk Manchen read aloud the title or description of Resolution 2024-R-02 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-02.** A Resolution Approving and Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Leaf Capital Funding LLC for Three (3) Copier-Scanner-Printers for Village Operations.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Ramirez, seconded by Trustee Lilly, to **adopt Resolution 2024-R-02** as presented.
- Guerin and Village Comptroller Greg Peters summarized this Resolution for all present.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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5. **ORDINANCES:**

a. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01.** President Guerin called Ordinance 2024-01. Deputy Clerk Leder read aloud the title or description of Ordinance 2024-01 as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01.** An Ordinance Amending Section 7-21-2 of Chapter 21 of Title 7 of the Village Code, entitled *Rental Dwelling Inspection Code*.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Lilly, seconded by Trustee Lantgen to **adopt Ordinance 2024-01** as presented.
- Guerin and Building Commissioner Fredrickson summarized this Ordinance for all present, including that inspections of rental properties will increase from every 3 years to 2 years.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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b. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02.** President Guerin called Ordinance 2024-02. Deputy Clerk Leder read aloud the title or description of Ordinance 2024-02 as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02.** An Ordinance Approving a Subrecipient Agreement [American Rescue Plan Act – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Assistance Listing Number 21.027)] between the County of Cook, Illinois and the Village of River Grove regarding the Design Engineering for an Extension of the Des Plaines River Trail between Touhy Avenue and North Avenue.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Obaya, seconded by Trustee Thomas to **adopt Ordinance 2024-02** as presented.
- Guerin and Village Engineer Mark Lucas summarized this Ordinance for all present.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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c. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.** President Guerin called Ordinance 2024-03.  
Deputy Clerk Leder read aloud the title or description of Ordinance 2024-03 as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03.** An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving a Contract to Purchase 2430-2436 Thatcher Avenue, River Grove, Illinois for \$275,000.00.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Bjorvik, seconded by Trustee Lilly to **adopt Ordinance 2024-03** as presented.
- Guerin summarized this Ordinance for all present, including that the property being purchased includes “Dave’s A-1 Auto and the former dog wash location.”
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.  
**Nays:** None.  
**Abstentions:** None.  
**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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d. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04.** President Guerin called Ordinance 2024-04.  
Deputy Clerk Leder read aloud the title or description of Ordinance 2024-04 as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04.** An Ordinance Amending Section 5-43A-2 of Chapter 43A of Title 5 of the Code of the Village of River Grove and Pertaining to Hotel and Motel Tax and Regulations on Extended Stays.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Lilly, seconded by Trustee Lantgen to **adopt Ordinance 2024-04** as presented.
- Guerin and Village Attorney Smith summarized this Ordinance for all present.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.  
**Nays:** None.  
**Abstentions:** None.  
**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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e. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05.** President Guerin called Ordinance 2024-05.  
Deputy Clerk Leder read aloud the title or description of Ordinance 2024-05 as follows:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05.** An Ordinance Adding a New Section to the Village of River Grove’s Code of Ordinances Regulating Unscheduled Bus Stops.

- President Guerin asked for a Motion. A **Motion** was made by Trustee Lilly, seconded by Trustee Bjorvik to **adopt Ordinance 2024-05** as presented.
- Guerin and Village Attorney Smith summarized this Ordinance for all present, including that the Ordinance includes fines to be levied for unscheduled bus stops.
- Guerin asked whether anyone had questions or comments; there were none. No further discussion ensued.
- Guerin asked Clerk Manchen to take the Board’s vote; the roll call vote was taken by Manchen as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Bjorvik, Thomas, Lilly, Lantgen, Ramirez and Obaya.

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent:** None.

**Motion Carried by a count of 6 “aye” votes to 0 “nay,” 0 abstain, and 0 absent.**

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6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

**PAYING VILLAGE’S BILLS.** A **Motion** was made by Trustee Bjorvik, seconded by Trustee Lilly, **to authorize payment of all bills** in accordance with the list of warrants, dated **January 08, 2024** when funds are available, and vouchers are properly endorsed. No further discussion ensued. **Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

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7. **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** Resident Don Hanson congratulated the Board and finance department on the increase in the credit rating for the Village of River Grove. There were no other public comments from the audience, and Communications Dir. Campbell stated that there were no public comments via e-mail.

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8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

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9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Board, a Motion was made by Trustee Bjorvik, Seconded by Trustee Lilly, to adjourn this meeting at 6:12 p.m. **Motion carried** unanimously on a voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marjorie A. Manchen, JD, MMC  
Village Clerk, Village of River Grove, Illinois

