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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE VILLAGE OF FAIRMONT CITY HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2020
4001 COOKSON ROAD
FAIRMONT CITY, ILLINOIS
AT 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting began with an opening prayer and pledge of allegiance.

President Pro Tem David Suarez called the meeting to order in the absence of Mayor Michael Suarez.

Clerk Richard Ramirez took attendance. The following were in attendance: Trustees: David Suarez, Guadalupe Hernandez, Raul Munoz, Robert Belba, and Charles Arriola. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent. Also, in attendance were Treasurer Juan Mena, Chief of Police Gerald Brown, Public Works Director Roger Juenger and Deputy Treasurer Sally Rodriguez.

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020, was made by Guadalupe Hernandez and seconded by Charles Arriola. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

Treasurer's Report No Report

Clerk's Report

Clerk Ramirez presented a Business License Application, 5525 Congress, American Tower Asset Sub, LLC, Kyle Geiselman, Director of Financial Support Services and Contact.

With everything in order, the motion was made by Charles Arriola and seconded by Robert Belba to approve the Business License Application, 5525 Congress, American Tower Asset Sub, LLC, Kyle Geiselman, Director of Financial Support Services and Contact. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

The clerk presented a Building Permit Application, 100 commercial Street, Upgrade to Cell

Tower, A.T. Engineering Service, Contractor for AT&T Lessee, American Towers LLC, Owner.
The motion was made by Guadalupe Hernandez and seconded by Raul Munoz to approve the Building Permit Application, 100 commercial Street, Upgrade to Cell Tower, A.T. Engineering Service, Contractor for AT&T Lessee, American Towers LLC, Owner. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

Mr. Ramirez presented a Building Permit Application, 3619 Collinsville Road, Upgrade to Cell Tower, Crown Nexis Engineering, Contractor for Crown Castle International USA, Robert Allen Jr., Owner.

With everything in order, the motion was made by Robert Belba and seconded by Raul Munoz to approve the Building Permit Application, 3619 Collinsville Road, Upgrade to Cell Tower, Crown Nexis Engineering, Contractor for Crown Castle International USA, Robert Allen Jr., Owner. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

Lastly the clerk presented a Building Permit Application, 5514 Maryland Avenue, New Garage, Fernando Ochoa, Owner.

With no objection the motion was made by Guadalupe Hernandez and seconded by Raul Munoz to approve building Permit Application, 5514 Maryland Avenue, New Garage, Fernando Ochoa, Owner Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

Report of Police Chief

Chief Brown presented a written narrative to board members. The chief briefly outlines the content; the department had established a policy regarding the new department issue cell phones to be shared between shifts.

The department has successfully completed a firearm audit. The department has been in long term possession of federal issue fire arms. The guns have rarely been in use but the department has to answer to the Federal Government to account for them.

The police chief announced the department will be starting an ordinance code violation campaign as of September 1, 2020. Tickets for high grass, derelict cars, illegal parking will be issued. The campaign has been announced on social media and Chief Brown encouraged those present to spread the word.

Chief Brown reported there have been 2 Covid exposures in the department with negative results. He wanted to thank Roger Juenger and Brian Mena for successfully sanitizing the police station.

Report of Zoning Administrator – No Report

Report of Fire Chief

Trustee Robert Belba reported in Fire Chief Allen's absence. August 18, 2020 the department will be participating in a traffic safety training program. Training includes the use of hand sanitizer and other preventative measures to take due to COVID safety. The training is in conjunction with the department's Mutual Aid Group.

Report of the Public Works Director

Public Works Director Roger Juenger reported the contractor has run into a couple of different "soft spots" on 45th Street causing some delays.

Committee Reports

Police/Public Safety-Chair- Charles Arriola

Trustee Arriola reported he has received a complaint by a local resident who has experienced deliveries being broken into from the porch. The resident wanted to warn others of the menace.

Economic/Finance, Development, Planning, and Tourism – Chair – Michael Fiudo – Absent No Report

Fire Protection – Chair – Robert Belba, Sr. – No Report

Community Relations & Communications – Chair – Raul Munoz – No Report

Public Health & Housing – Chair- Guadalupe Hernandez - No Report

Streets, Sewers, Grounds, Building & Parks – Chair - David Suarez – No Report

President's Report

President Pro Teem David Suarez expressed for Mayor Michael Suarez, the importance of social distancing, masks and limitations to number of persons gathered in one place, the pandemic is serious and everyone needs to play their part.

Public Comment - No Public Comment

Municipal Bills

The motion to approve payment of the bills as presented on this day August 5, 2020, in the amount of \$30,155.30 was made by Robert Belba and seconded Charles Arriola. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

Adjournment

With that, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Raul Munoz and seconded by Charles Arriola. Roll Call Vote: David Suarez, yes; Guadalupe Hernandez, yes; Raul Munoz, yes; Robert Belba, yes; and Charles Arriola, yes. Trustee Michael Fiudo was absent.

Motion Passed

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Richard D. Ramirez
Village Clerk
August 5 2020