



*Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to pay the General bills in the amount of \$20,546.68 and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Tony Miller – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.*

*Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve a \$75.00 Christmas bonus for full-time employees and a \$25.00 Christmas bonus for part-time employees on the payroll at the time checks are issued and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Corby Valentine – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Bryan Vogel had nothing to report

**ESDA REPORT:** ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer reported on the ice storm and all the services that were made available to the community. ESDA Coordinator Kramer thanked all the departments of the Village for their help. Mayor Danford stated he was pleased it went so smoothly because we had high qualified individuals in those positions.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** Mr. Fred Keck reported there was a meeting with the Dickerson's and it went well. The Street Committee will review the recommendations and move forward to resolving the situation.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Mr. Paul Anderson wanted to, as a citizen of the Village of Freeburg, thank the Village work force for an awesome job ever done during the ice storm. The Village needs to do something special for a job well done by Village employees.

Mrs. Janet Baechle stated the following: (1) Great the Village wants to get a new generator; (2) Thanks Village workers for what they did in the ice storm; (3) More consideration should be given regarding leaf burning (Trustee Krieg reported she has asked that the leaf burning go back to committee); and, (4) A lady on Phil-Kate Drive has a water problem (the Village is aware of the situation).

Mr. Mike Brueggeman thanked the guys for the job done during the ice storm.

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:** Nothing

**BIDS:** None

**CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS:** Nothing

Pool Renovation Grant Contract: *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to enter into the Project Agreement with Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) for the development plans for the Swimming Pool Renovation and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. . ROLL CALL: Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee*

Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

Electric Bid for South Circuit: *Trustee Corby Valentine motioned to release bids for transformers and related equipment for the 12 kv South Loop Project for December 21, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion.* . **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None

**ORDINANCES:**

**Ordinance No. 1234** – Tax Levy Ordinance For The Village Of Freeburg - *Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1234 by title only and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

**Ordinance No. 1235** –An Ordinance Abating The Tax Hereto Levied For The Year 2006 To Pay The Principal Of And Interest On \$5,960,000 General Obligation Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2005, Of The Village Of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois - *Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1230 by title only and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve purchasing carpet and tile for the Village of Freeburg offices in an amount not to exceed \$13,150.00 and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Nothing

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:**

Committee Meeting As A Whole: Mayor Ray Danford reported on the Committee Meeting As A Whole held Monday, November 27, 2006, 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Danford explained it was the general thoughts of the committee to continue to the next step and find out if the community supports the project and check into the financial particulars for the renovation of the swimming pool.

There is a need to set up a committee with ad hoc members from the community.

Finance Committee Meeting: Already covered at Finance on the Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

#### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, December 6, 2006, 6:00 p.m.  
(Trustee Kevin Groth requested his committee meeting be scheduled at 5:00 p.m. in the future.)  
Electric Committee Meeting, Wednesday, December 13, 2006, 5:00 p.m.  
Personnel & Public Safety Meeting, Wednesday, December 13, 2006, 6:00 p.m.  
Board Meeting, Monday, December 18, 2006, 7:30 p.m.

#### VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

**Trustee Charlie Mattern:** I share the same comments others have said on the past weeks' events. My hat goes off to the Village crew. There are some that still do not have power.

**Trustee Mary Krieg:** I also would like to echo the previous statements for the hard work our Village crew has done. We have good leadership. I am really impressed the Mayor was here at 1:30 a.m.

**Trustee Rita Baker:** My hat is off to the Village crew too.

**Trustee Corby Valentine:** I would like to thank everyone for a job well done. After seeing other communities damage and come into Freeburg and see how much work has been done by our crew, I am proud to be from Freeburg. I would like to suggest we do what Mr. Anderson said. I ask that Administrator Herzing plan something for those that participated in the clean-up and supplied support for the community by personnel. *Trustee Corby Valentine motioned to have the Administrator plan an event for Village staff that participated in the support of the Village and Trustee Charlie Mattern seconded the motion.* . **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

**Trustee Tony Miller:** I would like to echo everyone's statements. The employees did a heck of a good job. It is unbelievable what everyone has done. Everyone did a fantastic job.

**Trustee Kevin Groth:** I would like to echo those statements from the top down to our employees. I am glad we are going to do something extra. Gene Kramer did an excellent job and the Volunteer Fire Department was out there. The trip with Gene Kramer to Belleville was interesting. Nothing was as simple as you think it would be.

**Mayor Ran Danford:** Mayor Danford commented that as much as Ron would like to keep Dennis with him, Dennis needs to be back in the office. (ha, ha) Administrator Herzing was out there working with the crew, as well.

Mr. Robert Koerber entered the meeting and commented on the fantastic job the Village employees did and they should be rewarded.

**Trustee Corby Valentine:** Trustee Valentine asked about the extra limbs. If the public does not want to wait on us to pick up limbs, we have a lot at the Industrial Park to dump limbs. The Village is picking up debris now, but the community can also take their limbs to that lot. People need to know they are responsible.

**Administrator Dennis Herzing:** The Village may need to get an outside company to help process the limbs.

**Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann:** PWD Dintelmann reported the Village can rent a tub grinder for the limbs. He also wanted to make sure the public knows that if their power is pulled from their home, that is their responsibility to have repaired.

**Chief Mel Woodruff:** Nothing.

**Treasurer Bryan Vogel:** Nothing

**Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan:** APWD Tolan commented on how his family is affected by his job.

**Trustee Kevin Groth:** Trustee Groth stated we need to purchase a generator big enough for the whole building. Send to committee.

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer:** ESDA Coordinator Kramer reported the Village needs to sustain itself for seventy-to (72) hours. Everyone needs to be self-sufficient for a period of time.

ESDA Coordinator reported Officer John Blomenkamp took food to an elderly couple because they had no resources.

Further discussion was held about the Village taking more steps for handling crises.

**ADJOURN:**

*Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.*



Billie Louthan, Village Clerk