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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING Monday, April 16, 2007 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Ray Danford requested a moment of silence in memory of Edward "Sparky" Wilson.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raymond Danford called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, April 16, 2007, in the Freeburg Municipal Center Board Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Those present and Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Charlie Mattern – absent; Trustee Mary Krieg – here; Trustee Rita Baker – here; Trustee Corby Valentine – here; Trustee Tony Miller – here; Trustee Kevin Groth – here; and, Mayor Raymond Danford - here. (6 present, 1 absent) Mayor Danford announced there is a quorum.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING. Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the minutes of Monday, April 2, 2007, and Trustee Corby Valentine seconded the motion. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Charlie Mattern entered the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

FINANCE: Trustee Mary Krieg reported nothing for Finance tonight.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bryan Vogel was absent.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Stephen Wigginton had nothing to report at this time.

ESDA REPORT: Coordinator Gene Kramer reported there were two tornado watches, severe thunderstorm warnings issued on April 3, 2007, reviewing the emergency plan, thanked the Village for the new laptop, working on additional emergency shelters, attended FEMA courses, and looking for a security grant for ESDA.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank You from Sparky Wilson Family: The Village received a "thank you" note from the Wilson family and girls reference pall bearers and flowers.

It was announced the Freeburg Women's Community Club is having a Crazy Bowl on Saturday, April 21, 2007, at Bel-Air Bowl in Belleville. The proceeds will benefit the Freeburg Swimming Pool upgrade.

Korte & Luitjohan's Application for Payment 10 with Lien Waivers: *Trustee Corby Valentine motioned to pay Korte & Luitjohan's Ten (10) Lien Waivers at a cost of \$69,424.08 for the new Freeburg Power Plant and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – 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.

J. F. Electric's Change Order No. 1 to the 12 kV South Loop Project: *Trustee Corby Valentine motioned to pay J. F. Electric \$6,487.33 for Change Order No. 1 for the Labor and materials for the 12 kV South Loop Project and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – 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.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: Nothing

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS: Nothing

BIDS: Nothing

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES: None

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing

APPOINTMENTS: Nothing

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting: Trustee Kevin Groth reported on the Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting held Wednesday, April 4, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Trustee Groth reported Mr. Wilbert Smith attended the meeting to discuss imminent domain and the Committee would take his information under advisement.

Mr. Emil Kromat and Chief Lee Smith were present to discuss the Fire Department Agreement with the Village of Freeburg. There is going to be another meeting scheduled to discuss the Agreement only.

Other items discussed were Kaiser Property - completed, Gass/Luechtefeld Annexation, material requirement on commercial buildings, Donna Bateman claim status, Rhutasel sewer backup, Koppeis – TIF Agreement, Freeburg fireworks, revision of existing code as it pertains to annexations, and better recording system for the Village of Freeburg.

The time of the meeting adjournment was not indicated

Electric Committee Meeting: Trustee Corby Valentine reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held Wednesday, April 11, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

South Circuit Contract: Trustee Valentine reported they are pulling the wire. It indicates that there is a need for more crews so the Power Plant will be ready for the summer load.

Trustee Valentine reported the change order approved was for underground wiring for Urbanna Drive. The cross-connection was removed.

Power Plant: We have taken ownership of the Power Plant. There are still some items that need to be taken care of by Korte. We still have a \$76,000.00 retainer, which we will hold onto until all items are completed to our satisfaction. Open House is set for Saturday, May 12, 2007, 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann will be giving some tours and operate some of the engines.

Loss Control Inspection of Old Power Plant: Chubb Group recommended two items be addressed that stemmed from their loss control visit on February 6, 2007. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann will take care of this and other alternatives to satisfy recommendations.

Kalert Damage to Water Line: The Village cut the water line of Chuck and Pat Kalert and they are requesting a reimbursement of \$160.00. The Committee recommended the Kalerts be reimbursed. Some type of procedure will be put into place for future problems.

Death of Trencher Engine: Public Works Director Dintelmann reported the trencher engine has died. It was recommended to repair the engine at an approximate cost of \$5,000.00 or possibly look into replacing the engine.

The meeting ended at 6:10 p.m.

Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting: Trustee Rita Baker reported on the Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting held Wednesday, April 11, 2007, 6:00 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

It was reported Officer Stan Ruhmann has completed his probation successfully.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to increase part-time officers' hourly rate to \$12.00 to begin when the new budget and raises are implemented and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – 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. It has been at least two years since part-time police officers had an increase.

It was reported there are no speed limit signs posted on Barber Lane. Chief Woodruff recommends a 35 mile-per-hour speed limit be posted. This topic will be forwarded to Street Committee.

Discussion was held regarding a 30 mile-per-hour speed limit be placed on West Apple Street. Some input from the public felt 30 miles-per-hour was too low . They recommended 45 miles-per-hour. Subject sent to Street Committee for discussion.

Officer Steve Burrows has completed his first semester of college in Law Enforcement. *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to reimburse Officer Steve Burrows \$2,044.50 for the completed first semester of college tuition and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – 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.

It was reported the new police vehicles will be arriving soon.

Chief Mel Woodruff will be on vacation April 17-23, 2007.

It was reported personnel evaluations should be done, but should not be tied to employee raises.

The meeting ended at 6:35 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

ELECTION DAY, Tuesday, April 17, 2007

Water and Sewer Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 4, 2007, 5:30 p.m.

Street Committee Meeting, Thursday, April 19, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting, Monday, April 23, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 25, 2007, 5:30 p.m.

Board Meeting, Monday, May 7, 2007, 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Charlie Mattern: No thank you.

Trustee Mary Krieg: Remember to vote tomorrow.

Trustee Rita Baker: Nothing.

Trustee Corby Valentine: Nothing Mayor.

Trustee Tony Miller: Nothing.

Trustee Kevin Groth: Nothing.

Mayor Raymond S. Danford: Nothing.

Treasurer Bryan Vogel: Absent.

Village Clerk Billie Louthan: Nothing.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Administrator Dennis Herzing: Nothing.

Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann: Nothing.

Chief Mel Woodruff: Absent.

Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan: Nothing.

ADJOURN:

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.


Billie Louthan, Village Clerk