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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday, March 19, 2007

7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Raymond Danford called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, March 19, 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 – here; 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. (7 present, 0 absent) Mayor Danford announced there is a quorum.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING. *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the minutes of Monday, March 5, 2007, and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.*

Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve the minutes of Monday, March 5, 2007, for the Public Hearing for Eckert Land Company for property located on Jefferson Road, Belleville, Illinois, 21.52 acres for Annexation and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried

FINANCE: Trustee Mary Krieg reported nothing for Finance tonight.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bryan Vogel was absent.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Fred Keck had nothing to report.

ESDA REPORT: ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer was not present, but submitted a report including temporary evacuation centers, review of Emergency Operations Plan, replaced laptop computer, added an ESDA member, and scheduling CPR training.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mr. Paul Anderson asked about the deterioration of State Street. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann reported he has talked to the IDOT project manager and there is a maintenance issue. Letter sent to IDOT engineer.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Nothing

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: Nothing

Trustee Tony Miller questioned about Legal and Ordinance Committee having an investigation e*****conducted and what is it for? Some of it has been discussed in Committee. Discussed who authorized pay? It was reported authorization was made by the Mayor.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS:

Petition for Annexation – Pierpoint/Abernathy: The Petition for Annexation (Pierpoint/Abernathy) was for information purposes only.

BIDS:

Bid Approval for Purchase of Surplus 2000 Ford Crown: *Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to approve awarding the bid on a 2000 Ford Crown to Mr. Herschel C. Parrish in the amount of \$620.00 and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carries.

RESOLUTIONS: None

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 1238: An Ordinance Amending The Revised Code Of The Village Of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois (Excess Reimbursement Plan) – *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1238 by title only and Trustee Charlie Mattern seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – no; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (5 ayes, 1 no, 0 absent) Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 1242: An Ordinance Amending The Freeburg Zoning Ordinance For The Purpose Of Rezoning Certain Property Commonly Known As The Crowe Property - *Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1242 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. 1243: An Ordinance Approving An Agreement Between The Village Of Freeburg And Village Of Freeburg Police Department, Local Policemen’s Benevolent Labor Committee, Authorizing And Directing The President And Village Clerk To Execute Said Agreement On Behalf Of The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, St. Clair County, Illinois – **ROLL CALL:** *Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1243 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. 1244: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory To The Village Of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois (Pierpoint/Abernathy Property) - *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1244 by title only 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.

Ordinance No. 1245: An Ordinance Of The Board Of Trustees Of The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, Authorizing The Village To Enter Into And The Mayor To Execute An Agreement Between The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, And Altec, Incorporated - *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1245 by title only and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – 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.

Trustee Corby Valentine reported the Village is getting a good price because it is a 2006 chassis.

Ordinance No. 1246: An Ordinance Of The Board Of Trustees Of The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, Authorizing The Village To Enter Into And The Mayor To Execute An Agreement Between The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, And Freeburg Township Road District - *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1246 by title only and Trustee Corby Valentine seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Kevin Groth commented that in Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting that there are some discrepancies and would like to get these in writing. Asked for confirmation from Attorney Wigginton and have received nothing. Trustee Groth wanted to know what request was made and the procedure. Trustee Groth believed it had to be about an elected official.

Mayor Danford reported he has received Attorney Wigginton's ruling and any discussion would have to be held in Executive Session. An elected official's position has nothing to do with the issue.

Trustee Corby Valentine requested an update on the derelict properties. Administrator Dennis Herzing reported the Village has not heard anything recently. The Kinzingers have removed more debris. Still working on title searches.

Trustee Tony Miller asked if the Village found the audio tape of the Plan Commission. Administrator Dennis Herzing responded the Fischer Lumber tape was blank.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing

APPOINTMENTS: Nothing

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Electric Committee Meeting: Trustee Corby Valentine reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held Monday, March 5, 2007, 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Valentine reported the Village awarded the labor contract for the South Circuit Loop Project K003 to J. F. Electric for the Power Plant. There were several items not completed and the Village requested these be completed because the Village wanted to take possession March 12, 2007. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann reported all items have been completed.

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting: Trustee Kevin Groth reported on the Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting held Wednesday, March 7, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Trustee Groth reported the meeting had public participation about the status of the Mac Medical Building. A letter was sent to the realty company about the zoning of the property.

The Fire Department Agreement had come back from their attorney and they had some questions. Attorney Wigginton will answer some of their questions.

The Kaiser property is moving right along.

Discussion was held regarding the Gass/Luechtefeld Annexation.

Further discussion is needed reference material requirements on Commercial Buildings. The derelict buildings was already discussed.

Other items discussed were Donna Bateman claim, Koppeis – TIF Agreement and revision of existing code as it pertains to annexations.

Pool Committee Meeting: Trustee Tony Miller reported on the Pool Committee Meeting held Tuesday, March 13, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Kathy Alt, President – Swim Team, was present and presented the Swim Team's schedule. She presented a check in the amount of \$3,000.00 to the Freeburg Swimming Pool Renovation Account.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to install two (2) water spray grounds as part of 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.

The Freeburg Swimming Pool's Concession Stand floor has been completely removed, which is to be replaced. Other ideas in the Concession Stand was discussed for efficiency.

The Freeburg High School physical education classes are being allowed to use the pool at the end of the pool season. Mrs. Lori Crunk is going to be certified and the school will provide

the Village with a Certificate of Proof of Insurance. *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve a fee of \$1,500.00 for the Freeburg High School to use the Freeburg Swimming Pool at the end of August, 2007, 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.

Eight (8) additional chairs, umbrellas and picnic tables have been ordered.

The Swimming Pool will open May 26, 2007, and close August 12, 2007. Hours for the Swimming Pool are 12 Noon – 8:00 p.m.

Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting: Trustee Rita Baker reported on the Personnel and Public Safety Committee Meeting held Wednesday, March 14, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Trustee Baker reported Chief Mel Woodruff stated Officer Tom Watts is on Workers' Compensation leave; solicitations for DARE donations are underway and Officer John Cappello is back on duty; two (2) police cars ordered; donate old car to some benefit; and, Chief Woodruff will be on vacation April 17 – 23, 2007.

OTHER BUSINESS:

It was reported Ordinance No. 1238 and No. 1243 were previously approved.

Electric Committee Meeting: Trustee Corby Valentine reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held Wednesday, March 14, 2007, 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Valentine's Committee discussed the following:

Mrs. Karen Eichelaub was present and was concerned about her electric bill. Her meter has been removed for testing and the Village will report to her once the information is available.

The Bucket Truck purchase was previously passed.

Work will begin on Rock Hill Lane and Turkey Hill Lane for the switchover of Ameren to Freeburg power.

Further information on the decorative street banners is needed.

The Electric Committee Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. and reconvened at 6:50 p.m. at the new Power Plant.

Discussion was held regarding the punch list and it was reported the punch list was completed Friday, March 16, 2007. Hope to have open house in April or May, 2007.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Water and Sewer Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 21, 2007, 5:30 p.m.

Street Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 21, 2007, 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 28, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Board Meeting, Monday, April 2, 2007, 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Charlie Mattern: No thank you Mayor.

Trustee Mary Krieg: No thank you.

Trustee Rita Baker: I would like to say what a fine job I think everybody here is doing. Our Office Staff ladies, Office Manager Polson, Secretary Laura McGarry, Police Officers and Public Works/Electric employees included.

Trustee Corby Valentine: No, Mayor.

Trustee Tony Miller: It is our obligation to make sure integrity is intact with compassion and courtesy. Everybody is doing a great job.

Trustee Kevin Groth: I agree with what Rita says. We are firing on all cylinders. It is great.

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: Nothing.

Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan: Nothing.

ADJOURN:

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.



Billie Louthan, Village Clerk