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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 7, 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, May 7, 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 Mary Krieg motioned to approve the minutes of Monday, April 16, 2007, as presented and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.*

FINANCE: Trustee Mary Krieg reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Mary Krieg motioned to pay the General bills in the amount of \$85,657.19 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 Krieg reported the Committee reviewed the Village's investments and received an income statement on the Village's finances. A Committee As A Whole meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2007, to discuss the Village's 2007-08 Budget. We should be having a balanced budget for the new fiscal year. Employees' raises will also be discussed at the meeting.

It was reported that the Village will be receiving its money from Charter

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

ESDA REPORT: Nothing.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Fred Keck reported nothing tonight.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mrs. Janet Baechle wanted to "thank" Trustee Mary Krieg for serving on the Village Board and wished her well.

Mr. Bob Evans asked if there was a TIF payment this month. Mayor Danford explained the process of the Village's sales tax and how it will be short this year. Monies will come from the reserve fund.

Trustee Krieg stated that the Village is not losing money. Staff is working with the State to make sure we are getting our funds.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Lighthouse Learning Center Request For Village Park Use For Graduation: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the request for the use of the Village Park for the Lighthouse Learning Center graduation exercises on Friday, May 18, 2007 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.

Carl L. Barton PTO Spring Carnival Donation Request: No action taken.

St. Paul's Summer Concerts In The Park Request: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the request by St. Paul's United Church of Christ for the use of the Village Park for the Concerts in the Park June 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2007, and close White Street from the corner of Belleville Street to Monroe Street 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 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.

Freeburg Children's Athletic Association Donation Request: No action taken.

Trustee Tony Miller reported the Village usually donated passes to the Carl L. Barton PTO Spring Carnival. *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve two (2), 10-day swimming pool passes be donated to Carl L. Barton's Elementary School PTO Spring Carnival to be held in May, 2007, and two (2), 10-day swimming pool passes be donated to Freeburg's Children's Athletic Association Trivia Night and Silent Auction to be held Saturday, May 19, 2007, and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; and, Corby Valentine – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS OR ACTIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: Nothing.

BIDS: Nothing.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS: Nothing.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 07-05, Permit Resolution: An IDOT Permit Resolution to install an 8" Water Main on Route 15 – *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Resolution 07-05 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.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance No. 1248: An Ordinance Ascertaining The Prevailing Rate Of Wages In And Around The Village Of Freeburg – *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Ordinance No. 1248 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.

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS: Nothing.

APPOINTMENTS: None

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Water and Sewer Committee Meeting: Trustee Charlie Mattern reported on the Public Works Committee Meeting held Wednesday, April 18, 2007, 5:30 p.m.

The following was reported by Trustee Mattern. Met with local resident and investigation is continuing regarding her high water bill. Resident explained his usage of the portable water meter and requested the Village continue with this program. Trustee Mattern explained the various reasons for discontinuing the portable water meters.

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to give Mr. Bill Batton a credit of \$17.58 on his water bill and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth - aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

A meeting was scheduled with the Freeburg Fire Protection District. The Route 15 Water Main Replacement is ongoing. Smithton has agreed to go forward with the Village of Freeburg reference the Regional Wastewater Project. An Intergovernmental Agreement is being prepared by Attorney Steve Wigginton. Discussion was held regarding the April power outage.

Street Committee Meeting: Trustee Tony Miller reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held Thursday, April 19, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

SWIMMING POOL:

Trustee Tony Miller reported Administrator Dennis Herzing is working on the AutoCad drawings submitted by Raindrop and Natarre.

STREETS:

Trustee Miller further discussed various other items. Administrator Herzing and Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan are working on the Westbrook storm water drainage. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann will proceed with the engineering portion of the Streetscape – HMG on North Main Street. The Karla Thies drainage problem was discussed. Consideration is being given to new rock, purple trap rock, for the Lakeview Drive Project. Replacement of the asphalt on Lakeview Drive was discussed. The 2007 Spring Clean Up went well.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to hire Andrew Mueller and Matt Knake at a rate of \$8.00 per hour for the summer 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.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to hire the following lifeguards and concession stand personnel for the 2007 Swimming Pool season: Lifeguards – Kristin Dinger, Ryan Rainbolt, Jillian Rouse, Alysse Rubemeyer, Holly Salvatore and Kelsey Thouvenot at \$7.00 per hour, and Concession Stand – Emily Harris at \$6.00 per hour, 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.

Street Banners is ongoing. Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann reported the equipment for the Concession Stand at the pool has been delivered.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve swipe card access to the Municipal Center – motion died due to lack of a second. Trustee Corby Valentine suggested that the issue be discussed further with more information being presented.

The Committee discussed speed limits on Barber Lane and West Apple Street. *Trustee Tony Miller motioned the Village post a 30 mph sign on Barber Lane and request from IDOT a*

speed limit of 35 mph beginning at the Elementary School Bus Garage location on West Apple Street (Douglas Road) and Trustee Mary Krieg seconded the motion.

Mrs. Janet Baechle requested the Village post a 45 mph speed limit instead of 35 mph.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Mary Krieg – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; and, Trustee Kevin Groth – aye. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding employee uniforms and which ones to be used by the Village. Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan reported the Village will start spraying for already hatched larvae.

It was requested that 2-hour parking limit signs be posted at Monroe Street between Apple Street and Washington Street with certain times listed. This item is being sent to Police Committee. Mrs. Janet Baechle suggested having signs for resident parking only.

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting: Trustee Kevin Groth reported on the Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting held Monday, April 23, 2007, 5:00 p.m.

Trustee Kevin Groth reported on the meeting specifically called to discuss the Fire Department Agreement with the Village. Village Attorney Steve Wigginton attended the meeting for the questions and answers regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village and the Freeburg Fire Protection District.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Electric Ordinance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, May 9, 2007, 5:00 p.m.
Personnel & Public Safety Meeting, Wednesday, May 9, 2007, 6:00 p.m.
New Power Plant Open House, Saturday, May 12, 2007, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Committee As A Whole Meeting, Monday, May 14, 2007, 7:30 p.m.
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting, Wednesday, May 16, 2007, 5:30 p.m.
Street Committee Meeting, Wednesday, May 16, 2007, 6:30 p.m.
Board Meeting, Monday, May 21, 2007, 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Charlie Mattern: No thank you.

Trustee Mary Krieg: Yes. I would like to thank the citizens of Freeburg for letting me serve the Village. It has been a great learning situation. It is good to have the public ask questions and given us ideas, which helps the trustees. I thank my fellow trustees and the Village employees. Mayor Danford has done a tremendous job. Thank you all again for this experience.

Trustee Rita Baker: Thank you Mary.

Trustee Corby Valentine: Thank you Mary. It has been good working with you.

Trustee Tony Miller: We have not seen eye-to-eye. You always gave us something to think about. Thank you for the four years of service by you.

Trustee Kevin Groth: Mary, I learned a lot from you. Your leadership on finance is really something. You are going to be missed.

Mayor Ray Danford: All of the above also. Thank you for your diligence and compassion for the Village.

Trustee Rita Baker: Thank you to you Billie for everything.

Trustee Mary Krieg: Also, thank you Billie for all your hard work for us and the Village.

MOTION SIGN AYE DIE: 8:00 p.m.

INSTALLATION AND OATH OF NEW VILLAGE CLERK AND TRUSTEES:

Village Clerk Billie Louthan swore in Jerry Lynn Menard – Village Clerk, Corby Valentine – Trustee, Steve Smith – Trustee, and Tony Miller – Trustee.



Billie Louthan, Village Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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NEW BUSINESS

New Board Member voted to have an executive session meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Returned from executive session at 8:52 p.m., regular board meeting proceeded to continued.

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1. Electric Committee – Wednesday, May 9, 2007 – 5:00 p.m.
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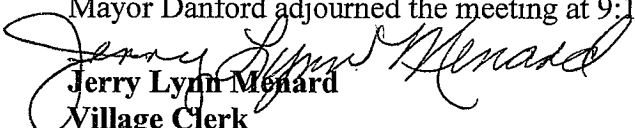
COMMENTS

Mayor Danford went around the table for comments from all new board members and old. All Trustees new and old thank Billie Louthan for a great job she has performed and she will be missed by all, they also thanked Mary Krieg who served as a Trustee they expressed what a great job she has done through her term. There was participation from the public also thanking Billie for doing and outstanding job.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Trustee Rita Baker and seconded by Trustee Tony Miller to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Danford adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk