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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING Monday, December 1, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. Board Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Danford called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 1, 2008, in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Charlie Mattern – here; Trustee Steve Smith – here; Trustee Rita Baker – here; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; 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, November 17, 2008 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent).* All voting aye motion carried.

FINANCE: FINANCE: Trustee Smith said he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the Warrant List of \$17,076.16 and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Tony Miller - aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the annual Christmas Bonus in the amount of \$75.00 for full time employees and \$25.00 for part-time employees and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Tony Miller - aye; Trustee Kevin Groth aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Smith said he would like to schedule the Annual Planning meeting for January to update the three-year and five-year plan. He would like to do it either Monday, January 12th or the 26th. It was scheduled for Monday January 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

TEASURER'S REPORT: None
ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None
ESDA REPORT: None

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet Baechle took the floor with a question about the girls volleyball team day. Mayor Danford said we are about ready to do that.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Danford said moving on to Exhibit C in our packet Girl's Volleyball Team Proclamation. The Proclamation was read and was state it will be place in the paper (person who read the proclamation did not state their name)

Mayor Danford said Exhibit D; we have a Thank You note from Betty Blumhorst; she appreciates the workers picking up her leaves. Mayor Danford said it's a sentiment that he has heard a lot this past year about our leave pickup program.

Mayor Danford said Exhibit E; we have a request from St. John the Baptist School asking for a donation for their 10th Annual Dinner Auction to be held on Saturday, February 14, 2009. Trustee Baker asked; do we usually give a 10 day pass to the pool. Trustee Miller said we gave two 10 days passes last year.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to donate two 10 day passes to the pool for St. John the Baptist Catholic School auction dinner to be held Saturday, February 14th and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Rita Baker –aye; Trustee Tony Miller- aye Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Kevin Groth aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Public Works Committee Meeting: Trustee Charlie Mattern called the Public Works Committee Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2008.

1. **Outstanding Claims:** Trustee Mattern said we continue to resolve outstanding claims for Duane and Stacy Dambacher and Tracy Green and it is a recommendation from the committee to make the final settlement with them as they have accepted our insurance company's release.

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to accept the executed releases and pay Duane and Stacy Dambacher \$600.00 for duct cleaning related to their sewer backup in May, 2008 and pay Tracy Green \$665.00 for reimbursement for the air test and duct work cleaning related to her sewer backup in May, 2008 and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Kevin Groth aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

2. **Sewer Study:** Trustee Mattern said we have been in contact with the engineers for the sewer study. We are waiting to get the first milestone meeting for that.

3. **Special Fund for Extraordinary Repairs:** Trustee Mattern said we continue to discuss the special fund for extraordinary repairs, mainly street repairs.

4. **Radio Read Meters:** Trustee Mattern said we had a lengthy discussion regarding the radio read meter saga that we are experiencing. We would like to proceed with the funds that are in this year's budget in the amount of \$50,000 to take the first step in changing over to radio read meters. Trustee Steve Smith asked before we vote on this, do we have the funds in the budget after looking at it in the Finance meeting. Village Administrator Dennis Herzing said overall, he doesn't think we will be over budget. Mayor Danford asked Trustee Mattern if he would like to keep his motion as is or does he want to amend it to say up to \$50,000. We can have Dennis check and see if that department has gone over budget. Trustee Miller said that it is \$25,000 out of water and \$25,000 out of sewer.

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned pending verification that both funds are within their budget overall, he would like to recommend spending \$25,000 from the water department and \$25,000 from the sewer department to begin the radio read replacement program and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Steve Smith- aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Kevin Groth aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

5. **Recycling:** Trustee Mattern said we continue to discuss the recycling program and what approach we want to take to provide more opportunities for the community to recycle, discussing where, when, how and so on.

6. **Waiver of late fees for Sonny Grider:** Trustee Mattern said we had a recommendation to waive late fees for Sonny Grider. He was involved in an accident and he does not have any local family to help him.

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to waive the water/sewer late fees for Sonny Grider until he is capable of paying his bills and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Steve Smith aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – absent; Trustee Kevin Groth aye; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Public Property Committee Meeting: Trustee Tony Miller called the Public Property Committee Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2008.

1. **Pool Feasibility Study:** Trustee Miller said we talked about the pool and Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann is going to bring back some more information for the next meeting.

2. **Culvert on Cemetery Road & West Street:** Trustee Miller said it was approved by both the Army Corp. of Engineers and IDOT. They will probably work on these with some coming out of this year's MFT budget and some out of next year's MFT budget.

Trustee Smith asked if we are planning on putting a pool referendum on the April ballot. Trustee Miller said we are going to discuss that at the next meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2008 – 5:30 p.m.
Committee as A Whole Meeting – Wednesday, December 3, 2008 – 6:00 p.m.
Community Improvement Board Meeting – Monday, December 8, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.
Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 10, 2008 – 5:30 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 10, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, December 15, 2008 – 7:30 p.m.

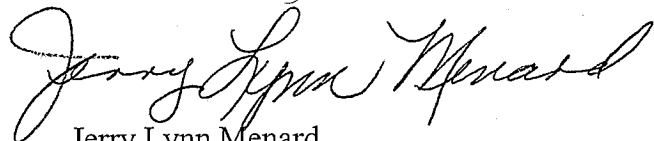
VILLAG PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Trustee Charlie Mattern: No, thank you.
Trustee Steve Smith: No.
Trustee Rita Baker: No.
Village Clerk Jerry Menard: Absent.
Trustee Corby Valentine: Absent.
Trustee Tony Miller: No.
Trustee Kevin Groth.: No.

STAFF: None.

ADJOURN:

Trust Rita Baker motioned to adjourn at 7:56 p .m. and Trustee Tony Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk