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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING Monday, April 6, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. Board Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Danford called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2009, 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 – 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, April 6, 2009 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent).* All voting aye, motion carried.

FINANCE: Trustee Smith said the first thing he would like to do is to approve the Warrant List.

1. *Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the Warrant List in the amount of \$52,812.56 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 – here; Trustee Tony Miller - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye motion carried.
2. Trustee Smith said in the packet tonight is a sheet showing the checking account bids from Citizens, Midland and Regions Banks. What it basically amounts to if we move it from Regions to Citizens, we save about \$6,600.00 a year.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to accept the bid from Citizens Bank and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

3. Trustee Smith said we talked about the alternative payment method for utilities and at this time he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to move forward on the Alternative Payment Method for Utilities and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Tony Miller - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee

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

4. Trustee Smith said we conducted our second test of Citizen and Staff Notification Service at 6:30 p.m.
5. Trustee Smith said we talked about the budget. Dennis passed out the revised copy and I wanted everybody to have a chance to look at it before we voted on it. We can review it before voting on it at the next meeting. If you have any changes, give them to Dennis as soon as possible so we can get it updated.
6. Trustee Smith said we discussed the SIMAPC annual dues and decided to table this until next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bryan Vogel said he just wanted to mention the checking account bid we went out for was a three-year term with an option to renew on annual basis.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

ESDA: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mayor Danford said the floor is open to Public Participation.

Janet Baechle asked where the Rogers property was located and Mayor Danford replied next to the Firehouse. Janet asked how much are we paying for it. Mayor Danford replied she sold it to us for \$35,000. Janet asked if there is a particular reason we are purchasing this property. Mayor Danford said there are two options: 1. It is on the derelict property list or will be; and 2. we did offer to buy it from her because it is next door to our Village storage shed. Janet asked if it is going to be another storage shed and Mayor Danford replied yes, we need another one.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Danford said he has a request from the American Legion Post 550 requesting permission to use the Village Park on Saturday, May 23, 2009 to place the crosses for Memorial Day and to use the park on Memorial Day, May 25, 2009 for memorial services at 9:00 a.m. and also requested permission to use West Apple, Monroe and White streets.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to grant permission to the American Legion Post 550 for their requests and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Danford said Exhibit D in the board packet is Resolution #09-04: A Resolution in Support of 2009 St. Clair County Parks Grant.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to accept Resolution 09-04 by title only and Trustee Kevin Groth seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

Ordinance: Mayor Danford said next is Ordinance NO. 1313 An Ordinance Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute a Contract between the Village and Susan Rogers for Purchase of Real Estate. Trustee Smith said he has a question about the contract under item number 2-taxes, shouldn't it be a prorated portion for 2009 instead of 2008. A small discussion took place before voting on the ordinance. Trustee Charlie Mattern asked to go into executive session.

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:46 P.M.**

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to go into Executive Session at 7:46 p.m. to discuss Real Estate Transactions 5 ILCS 120/2 – (c)(5) 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 – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED
7:59 P.M.**

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 8:009 p.m. and seconded by Trustee Steve Smith. All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to accept Ordinance No. 1313 with the changes 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 Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Public Property Committee Meeting: Trustee Tony Miller called the Public Property Committee Meeting to order on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

1. **Pool Pass Prices and Dates Open:** Trustee Miller said we discussed the pool prices and opening dates.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned the pool will be open starting May 23rd to Sept 1st with the pool being closed May 26th to May 29th since the kids will still be in school; the pool will open May 30th through September 1st; the pool will be closed August 15th and August 16th for homecoming; the pool will be open weekends only until September 1st and Trustee Corby Valentine seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Miller said we also discussed admission prices and we decided to lower the prices for daily admission.

Adults 19 years and up:	\$5.00
Children 5 years to 18 years:	\$4.00
Seniors:	\$3.00
Under 5:	free

2009 Swimming Pool Season Pass Prices:

User Fees for Swim Team Members	\$45.00
10-Day Pass	\$35.00
Child in-town (5-18 years old)	\$70.00
Child out-of-town	\$90.00
Adult in-town (19 years old & over)	\$80.00
Adult out-of-town (19 years old & over)	\$115.00
Senior Citizen in-town (60 years old & over)	\$15.00
Senior Citizen out-of-town (60 years old & over)	\$20.00
Family (4) in-town	\$150.00
Family (4) out-of-town	\$170.00
Family (5) in-town	\$180.00
Family (5) out-of-town	\$200.00

Trustee Miller asked if there are any questions on this. Trustee Smith asked if would this affect the budget and a discussion took place.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to adjust the swimming pool daily admission and swimming pool season prices and Trustee Corby Valentine seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine- aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Rita Baker – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Miller said the one item we didn't include was the swim lessons. We are going to hold off on that until we talk to the Pool Managers.

2. Employee Pay Rates: Trustee Miller said we will discuss this at the next committee meeting.

Trustee Miller said Ron is checking on some umbrella prices. Dennis said part of the Park Grant money should help pay for this. A small discussion regarding the umbrellas took place.

Trustee Miller said we invited Bill Reichert to come to our next Committee as a Whole meeting to talk on the Phase I of the pool.

3. Lawn Mowing Bid: Trustee Miller said we received six lawn mowing bids and KMK was the lowest bid.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to accept KMK's bid at \$325 per mowing for 2009 lawn mowing season and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Tony Miller – aye; Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Corby Valentine – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried

4. Spring Clean Up: Trustee Miller asked Ron if the dates we talked about still stand and Ron said yes.

Trustee Tony Miller motioned to set Spring Clean Up for April 24, 25, 26 and 27th and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried

5. Sugar Creek Street Sign: Trustee Miller said we had a request from a resident at Sugar Creek for streets signs and this will go to Personnel/Police Committee for review.

Public Works Committee Meeting: Trustee Charlie Mattern called the Public Works Committee Meeting to order on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 7:35 p.m.

1. Public Participation: Trustee Mattern said we had some residents at the meeting asking about our policy regarding trash service when they are out of town... Trustee Mattern said we will discuss this in greater detail. At this time, nothing has changed and there is no policy offering that.
2. Minutes: Trustee Mattern said we had a discussion on previous minutes from a couple of other meetings. We want to clarify with regard to replacing the water meters, we instructed certain property owners in town to install based on our previous recommendation.

Trustee Charlie Mattern motioned to recommend the Village of Freeburg be responsible for replacing the transponders in all the previously installed water meters as they get replaced 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 – aye; Trustee Kevin Groth - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried

3. SAVE Site Water Grant: Trustee Mattern said we are working on a grant application to improve the SAVE Site water system.
4. Sewer Study: We are proceeding with the facilities plan study for Phase I project. This is an ongoing thing with Rhutasel and Associates and EPA.

5. Groundwater Ordinance: Trustee Mattern said we are continuing to review some groundwater ordinances being presented by a current and previous gas station owners in town
6. Recycling: Trustee Mattern said we have submitted a grant application for a new recycling facility located next to the village hall.
7. Sewer Line: Trustee Mattern said we are proceeding with an improvement sewer line with an up grade
8. Employee Work Schedule: Trustee Mattern said we are sending this to the Personnel/Police Committee to review such work policies.

Trustee Mattern asked Ron to bring us to speed on the issue of that sewer line located at Woods Edge. Ron said the project should be done by the end of the week.

Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting: Trustee Kevin Groth called the Legal and Ordinance Committee Meeting to order on Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Trustee Groth said we started the meeting with public participation. Trustee Groth said Attorney Livingston made a presentation to us on behalf of the Huelsman's situation. We discussed a number of points, some we thought of and some they thought of. We are going to allow Steve Wigginton to look at the problem. He is going to look at the final plats for the subdivision that were plated to the East of the Huelsmans property. They are making a claim that the plat was not filed to its end and, if so, there would have been some retention clause. Steve is going to look into that and also the annexation agreement since there is some time on that. He is going to see if he can find some kind of resolution for the residents who are putting up with some extremely high waters when there is a great amount of rain fall. Trustee Groth said hopefully we can find a way to help them out.

Trustee Groth said we discussed the laundry list and there is really nothing new except for Bill's Auto Body. We sent him a letter asking for him to clean up some of the vehicles around his property. Trustee Groth said Bill asked for 30 days to do some of the necessary clean up. Trustee Groth said 28 days were up at the time of our meeting. Bill has made some improvement but not what Trustee Groth was hoping to see. Trustee Groth said we will discuss this again at our next Legal & Ordinance Meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 8, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 8, 2009 – 6:30 p.m.
CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY- Friday, April 10, 2009
Community Improvement Board – Monday, April 13, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.
Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 15, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 15, 2009 – 6:30 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, April 20, 2009 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAG PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEES' COMMENTS

Trustee Charlie Mattern: He would like to wish all candidates good luck and everyone please vote

Trustee Steve Smith: No, thank you.

Trustee Rita Baker: Nothing tonight.

Village Clerk Jerry: No, thank you.

Trustee Corby Valentine: He is glad to see that we approved Ordinance 1313 to purchase the property at 502 West White Street. We have been working on this over a year trying to get that resolved This is going to serve two purposes--to get rid of a home that turned into a hazardous home without having to go to court; and also it will permit the village to have a shed. We need shed space to be able put our equipment in it where it belongs.

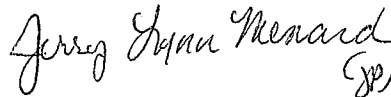
Trustee Tony Miller: He would like to respond what Corby said. It is also going to save us some money in the long run. I think everyone knows what property goes for here in town.

Trustee Kevin Groth: Yes, the only thing he would like to add is that is going to save us some legal fees if we would of went the other way. He is finally glad we got this done, it took us while.

Mayor Danford: He just wants to add a comment here. He has heard some discussion that it was taking us too long and he agrees it was longer than necessary to clean up some graffiti that was on some buildings and spray paint and that was done by the owners. We like to keep the community looking nice. It's true that it was held up for some reason. They were trying to work with Mel as far as some camera equipment to catch the culprits that did this. It has been taken care now. He just wanted to make this information available to everybody.

Staff Comments: None.

ADJOURN: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn at 8:39 p .m. and Trustee Tony Miller seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk