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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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## FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016 @ 7:30 P.M. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, May 2, 2016 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Mike Blaies – here; Trustee Matt Trout – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Lisa Meehling – here; Trustee Dean Pruett – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7) present, 0 absent). Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

### EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes from Monday, April 18, 2016 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

*Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes with corrections from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, April 18, 2016 and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

### EXHIBIT B:

#### FINANCE:

Trustee Ramon Matchett called the meeting of Finance Committee to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2016.

**The following item or items were talked about or discussed:**

**REVIEW OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Board Lists. We had some questions which were answered and taken care of.

**REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Matchett said we reviewed the Investments and there is nothing new there.

**INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Income Statement and also nothing new there.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Matchett said there was nothing to report.

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## **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Sign at Industrial Park: Construction has started on this project.
2. 3-5 Year Plan: Trustee Matchett said we are planning to do work on the water mains in front of the high school to give the school more water pressure.
3. Newsletter: Trustee Matchett said the Newsletter is up and going. If anyone has anything to add to it, please let us know. This next newsletter will be for July, August and September.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Pool Equipment: We have some new pool equipment we will be purchasing. At this time he would like to make a motion:

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to purchase a pool slide for the Freeburg Pool and for it not to exceed the cost \$18,401.76 and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:**

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Lisa Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Matchett said the only issue with the slide is the directional bore. If we can't do it, there would be an additional \$1,000 to have that done.

Trustee Matchett said we have a new contract with Charter to run the fiber underground at the cost of \$450 monthly. This ordinance will be brought up later on the agenda tonight. This way we will only have one internet that will serve all of our buildings including the pool and sewer plant.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

## **EXHIBIT D:**

**ESDA REPORT:** ESDA Coordinator Kramer said everyone should have a copy of my report. Gene gave an update on the report.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

1. Janet Baechle asked the residents that annexed into the village tonight if they can hear the tornado siren go off for the alert. Some said yes and some said no. A small discussion took place. Trustee Blaies said it is really for outdoors, was not made for you to hear it indoors. When you are out doors and the siren goes off you are to go indoors. Tony said now that they annexed in, they should be on the call list to get the warning by phone.
2. Tony Miller said nice new leaf machine that was purchased. But he would like to know where we are going to put all of the leaves in the future. Public Works Director Tolan said we have a farmer who will take them. Village Administrator Funderburg said we also have a contract with Waste Management for pick-up. Tony said he has another question on the new sewer plant. He would like to know how we are paying for it. Village Administrator Funderburg gave an explanation how this project is going to be handled. Public Works Director Tolan also gave some explanation on the issue.

Tony commented on the new slide at the swimming pool.

**EXHIBIT F:**

Mayor Speiser stated we will go to Exhibit F the Proclamation for Cooper Secker. Mayor Speiser stated before he reads Coopers high lights he would like to personally congratulate Cooper Secker on his 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the 126 pound weight class at the IHSA State Final Wrestling Tourney held February 20<sup>th</sup> in Champaign IL.

After reading the induvial accomplishments, Mayor Speiser read the Proclamation.

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE:**

**EXHIBIT G:**

Zoning Administrator's Report: Mayor Speiser said next we have our Zoning Administrator's Report. Are there any questions for Zoning Administrator Henning? Hearing none we will move on.

**EXHIBIT H:**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:** See Ordinances)

**CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS** None,

**BIDS:** None.

**RESOLUTION:** None.

**EXHIBIT I:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1581. An Ordinance Authorizing the execution of an Annexation Agreement with Randal Harms at 6355 Countryside Lane.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1581 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT J:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1582. An Ordinance Annexing certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Harms Property” to and in the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1582 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent).

**EXHIBIT K:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1583. An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Code for the Purpose of Rezoning the Harms Property from SR-1 (Single Family residential to A (Agriculture).

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1583 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT L:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1584. An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement with Donald and Agnes Gebhart at 6343 Countryside Lane.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1584 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – abstain; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent 1 abstain). With 5 ayes, motion carried.

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1585. An Ordinance Annexing certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Gebhart Property” to and in the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1585 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – abstain; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent 1 abstain). With 5 ayes, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT N:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1586. An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Code for the Purpose of Rezoning the Gebhart Property from SR-1 (Single Family Residential) to A (Agriculture).

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1586 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – abstain; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent 1 abstain). With 5 ayes, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT O:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1587. An Ordinance Authorizing the execution of an Annexation Agreement with Deborah and John Calcaterra at 6363 Countryside Lane.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1587 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT P:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1588. An Ordinance Annexing certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Calcaterra” to and in the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1588 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye;. (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT Q:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1589. An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Code for the Purpose of Rezoning the Calcaterra Property from SR-1 (Single Family Residential) to A (Agriculture).

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1589 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT R:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1590. An Ordinance Authorizing the execution of an Annexation Agreement with Brian and Rhonda Price at 6367 Countryside Lane.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1590 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT S:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1591. An Ordinance Annexing certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Price Property” to and in the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1591 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT T:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1592. An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Code for the Purpose of Rezoning the Price Property from SR-1 (Single Family Residential) to A (Agriculture).

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1592 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**EXHIBIT U:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1593. An Ordinance Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Charter Communications.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1593 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

**EXHIBIT V:**

**Committee As A Whole Meeting:**

Mayor Speiser called the Committee As A Whole to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016.

Mayor Speiser stated this was to discuss following: Real Estate Transactions, Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals.

**EXHIBIT W:**

**Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Lisa Meehling called the meeting of Legal/Ordinance to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

**The following items were talked about or discussed:**

**OLD BUSIENSS:**

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Meehling said Zoning Administrator Henning is still working on 3 Lake Drive property. We have received our payment.
2. Occupancy permits inspections: Trustee Meehling said there is nothing new to report and we are going to take this off of the agenda for right now.
3. Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals: Trustee Meehling said Attorney Manion is following up on some questions that Frank Heiligenstein had. There is a meeting scheduled to discuss this for May 12<sup>th</sup>.
4. Local Debt Recovery Program: Trustee Meehling said this will be placed on the May 16<sup>th</sup> agenda.
5. Golf Carts or Side by Side Vehicles: Trustee Meehling said Mayor Klein from New Athens and Police Officer Alan Hucke from Millstadt were here for the committee meeting. Mayor Klein said Mr. Heiligenstein did their ordinance and it has been in effect for 2-3 years. They have not had any problems with the golf carts and side by side vehicles. Police Officer Hucke stated they have had the ordinance since 2011. A discussion took place with questions and answers'. Trustee Meehling stated we will put this on hold until next month so Chief Donald can contribute his opinion on the subject.
6. Happy Hour Consideration: Trustee Meehling stated the letters have been sent out to the local bar owners. They must attend the seminar which is being held May 25<sup>th</sup> at the Wildey Theater in Edwardsville. Tony and Julie will work on the ordinance for this for the next board meeting.

**NEW BUSIENSS:**

1. Park Rules Sign: Trustee Meehling said we discussed the sign for the new pavilion about posting the rules.

**EXHIBIT X:**

**Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Matt Trout called the meeting of Personnel/Police to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

**The following item or items were talked about or discussed:**

**POLICE:**

**OLD BUSIENSS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Review of Fees for False Alarms: Trustee Trout said we tabled this issue until next month so the committee can discuss with Chief Donald.
2. Expansion of Outdoor Tornado Siren to SAVE Site: Trustee Trout said we discussed the tornado siren out at the SAVE Site. This was taken care of earlier on the agenda. We had questions for ESDA Coordinator Gene, about the tornado sirens at the SAVE Site.

Trustee Trout said we talked about the high school not being used for a storm shelter any more. We would still like to keep it for an evacuation shelter. The only storm shelter will be St. Pauls'''''. Gene will get the information over to us so we can get it on the website.

**PERSONNEL:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Health Insurance Option to Switch to Spouse's Plan: Trustee Trout said Tony and Julie are working on an ordinance for the Health Insurance.  
Trustee Trout stated that the lineman/apprentice position has been posted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**EXHIBIT Y:**

Mayor Speiser announced these are his appointees for 2016 and 2017 positions.

**Treasurer Bryan Vogel: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**Administrator Tony Funderburg: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**Public Works Director John Tolan: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**Chief of Police Stanley Donald: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**Village Attorney Weilmuenster & Keck, P.C. ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

**Zoning Administrator Gary Henning: ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. –aye; Trustee Matt Trout –aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Mayor Speiser announced at this time there will be no appointees for the Plan Commission and Board of Appeals tonight.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 5:45 p.m.

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, May 16, 2016 - 7:30 p.m.

#### **VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:**

**Trustee Denise Albers** – She would like to congratulate Cooper.

**Trustee Lisa Meehling** – She would also like to congratulate Cooper

**Trustee Matt Trout** – He would like to congratulate Cooper and welcome all the new families into the Village of Freeburg

**Village Clerk Jerry Menard** – She would like to welcome all the new residents that annexed into Village Freeburg and congratulations to Cooper.

**Mayor Speiser** - He would like to thank Emil for serving as a Trustee of Freeburg Fire Department District. He has just been reappointed by Mark Kern for another three years, congratulations Emil. He would like to also welcome all the new residents who have annexed into the village.

**Trustee Blaies** – He would like to welcome all the new families who have annexed into the village and congratulations to Cooper

**Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr.** – He would like to welcome the new residents and congratulate Cooper. And congratulations to all of the appointees.

**Trustee Dean Pruett** – Congratulations to all of the appointees. He would like to welcome the new residents and congratulations to Cooper.

**Village Administrator Tony Funderburg** – He would like to welcome the new residents and congratulations to Cooper.

**Village Attorney Manion** – He would like to thank the board for reappointing him again.

**Public Works Director John Tolan** – He would like to thank everyone for reappointing him.

**Zoning Administrator Gary Henning** – He would like to thank the board for reappointing him again. And congratulations to Emil, Cooper and the new residents.

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer** - He would like to thank the board for reappointing him again.

**Mayor Seth Speiser** – He thanked everyone for coming this evening.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. Trustee Dean Pruett and seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.*

  
Jerry Lynn Menard  
Village Clerk