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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 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, October 17, 2016 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Mathew Trout – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee James Blaies – here; Trustee Bert Pruett – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent). Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes from the Special Board Meeting Wednesday, September 28, 2016 with corrections and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, October 3, 2016 with corrections and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

ESDA REPORT: ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer gave us an update on Hurricane Mathew. ESDA Coordinator Kramer talked about the national Great Shakeout Day. Gene asked everyone to participate in The Drop, Cover and Hold exercise to be held October 20th at 10:20 a.m...

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

1. Janet Baechle asked will they sound the alarm at 10:20 a.m. for the earthquake drill. Gene replied there is no earthquake alarm. The schools will be using their own sounding system they have for this drill. Janet said one thing about the Chili Cook Off could you please put out more waste cans and could you tell the people who cook chili that the temperature is supposed to be hot not luke warm or cold.

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2. Stan Kerber said he knows the village bought a leaf truck last year and asked does it work and if it does are you doing anything with it? Trustee Trout said yes it works and we will start leaf pick-up October 24th. Stan said that is not what the website says. The village website says leaf pick-up will start on October 3rd. Public Works Director Tolan said the leaves were not falling as quickly as we thought they would, so we are starting on October 24th. John said we are going to take the truck out early then the 24th and pick up a few piles and we will get over to Mr. Kerber's to pick his up. Mayor Speiser asked to get the website updated on this issue. Mr. Kerber asked about the Water Towers. Public Works Director Tolan brought Mr. Kerber up to date on this issue. Mr. Kerber asked are we going to do anything about the stop signs on Apple/Cherry St. Mayor Speiser said this is still on the agenda for Streets Committee. Stan said earlier this year we were going to put two stop signs up or a radar dictator. Can he ask what happened on this? Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said the radar dictator we are moving it around town in different places, for it is too expensive to buy another one right now. As for as the second stop sign we will buy one when we can afford it. Stan asked what is budget for streets. Tony replied very little right now. Tony told Mr. Kerber if you want to look at the budget he can show it to him. Public Works Director Tolan told Mr. Kerber we already spent \$10,000 on flashing signs and radar dictator sign. Village Administrator Funderburg invited Mr. Kerber to attend the Streets Committee meeting if he would like to talk about it some more.

3. Tony Miller said he would like to remark on Stan complaint about the stop signs. Tony stated it does not make a difference how many stop signs you put up, if people don't stop at them what good is it to have them. Tony said in his subdivision there is a three-way stop and 90% of the time no one stops. The people they just drive right through them like the stop signs are not there. Tony told the board if you want to take them down and put them somewhere else go ahead because very few drivers stop at them. No matter where you put them or how many stop signs you put up it well not do any good if we don't enforce it. Tony said the next thing he would like to know are we not oiling and chipping the roads this year. Public Works Director Tolan responded not this year. Village Administrator Funderburg explain where we used the money at instead of oiling and chipping the roads. Mr. Miller asked on the sewer issue who paid that extra money was it the village or Rhutasel? Mayor Speiser replied as right now the village paid it and when the time comes we will sit down with Rhutasel and go over it. Mr. Miller asked about the SUV. Village Administrator Funderburg explained why the SUV was brought for the village usage. Mr. Miller said the last thing the swimming pool. The slide really looks nice.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE:

Presentation of Award of Appreciation Plaque to Canine Diggitt: Mayor Speiser presented retiring K-9 dog Diggitt and Officer Joel Boeving and Officer Terry Marquardt with a plaque of appreciation for all of what Diggitt has done in her time of service with the police department. Mayor Speiser stated we will hang the plaque in the lobby of the Village Hall.

EXHIBIT C:

Zoning Administrator's Report: Mayor Speiser asked if anyone has any questions for Zoning Administrator Henning. Hearing none we will move on.

EXHIBIT D:

Proclamation for The Great Shakeout Day: Mayor Speiser read the Proclamation for The Great Shakeout Day.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: (See Ordinances)

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT E:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1603. An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory To The Village Of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois (Sigman Property)

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1603 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1604. An Ordinance Of The Board Of Trustees Of The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois, Authorizing The Village To Enter Into And The Mayor To Execute A Contract Agreement For Transportation Engineering Services Between The Village Of Freeburg, Illinois And Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc., Regarding Hill Mine Road.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to adopt Ordinance #1604 by title only based on our attorney recommendation to adopt it with a deletion of two paragraphs one on page 6 paragraph beginning with "In order to minimize" and page 7 paragraph beginning with "Limitation Of Liability" and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT G:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mike Blaies called the meeting of Electric Committee to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Electric Customers: Trustee Blaies said we talked to John and Shane about the 13 residents in the Village that are on Ameren.
2. IMEA Annual Meeting: Trustee Blaies stated the IMEA Annual meeting is coming up on November 4th in Springfield.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said we discussed a resident who installed solar on his home on Turkey Hill Lane.

EXHIBIT H:

Public Works Committee Meeting: (Trash/Water/Sewer)

Trustee Dean Pruett called the meeting of Public Works Committee to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2016.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer project: Trustee Pruett said we talked about the sewer project. It will be staked out next week.
2. Sewer issues: Trustee Pruett said we had the Fire Department go out and check for combustible or explosive gases in the manholes last week, and all the tests came back negative. They vented for several minutes which helped.

We are cleaning the sewer lines from Woodsvew to Lakeview. We found large pieces of concrete in the sewer. We will also televise that to see where those are coming from.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT I:

Public Property Committee Meeting: (Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation)

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Trustee Matt Trout called the Public Property Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2016

The following items were talked about or discussed under:

POOL: OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool/Storm Shelter/St. Clair County Parks Grant: Trustee Trout stated we talked about the pool and the St. Clair County Parks Grant. The slide is installed and has been tested it is ready to go for next year. Public Works Director Tolan is finishing up the winterizing and wants to get the cover on by next week.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. MFT/Ditch on North Main: Trustee Trout said this is a fall/winter project.

2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Trout said the public works department have been working on Sleeping Indian. We hope to have this project done shortly. There is an issue in Glenrock where a culvert is failing and they are looking into this. Public Works Director Tolan would like to get with the developer Mr. Vollmer and get him involved on this issue.

3. East Apple Issues: Trustee Trout stated we discussed the East Apple Street issues.

4. Borger Drainage Issues: We are waiting on Attorney Manion on the Borger issues.

5. Hill Mine Road Repair: Trustee Trout said earlier we passed an Ordinance to move forward with the Hill Mine Road repair with TWM.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: We talked about Glenrock/Sleeping Indian issues. We talked about the leaf pickup which will start October 24th. We hired two part-time employees to do the leaf pick-up.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, November 7, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – No thank you.

Trustee Lisa Meehling – None thank you.

Trustee Matt Trout – He would like to welcome Sigman's into the village. He would like to thank everyone who came to the Chili Cook Off and everyone that help.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee James Blaies – He would like to welcome Sigmans to the village.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Bert Pruett – He would like to thank the two officers who handled our K-9 dog Diggit.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

Village Zoning Administrator Gary Henning – The Chili Cook Off was a great success and everyone seem to enjoy themselves.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer - He would like to thank the Mayor for the Proclamation for The Great Shakeout Day.

Mayor Seth Speiser – He would like to thank everyone who came to the Chili Cook Off. He would like to give a special thank you to Public Works Director John and his crew if it wasn't for them doing all they do it would not be such a big success. He has had many compliments on how nice the Chili Cook Off is since we move it to this location.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk