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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 4, 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, April 4, 2016 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Lisa Meehling – here; Trustee Dean Pruett – here; Trustee Matt Trout – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; Trustee Mike Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (6) present, 1 absent). Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes from Monday, March 7, 2016 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes with corrections from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 7, 2016 and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes from Monday, March 21, 2016 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes with corrections from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 21, 2016 and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT C:

FINANCE:

Trustee Ramon Matchett called the meeting of Finance Committee to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 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. Those questions were answered.

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REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS: Trustee Matchett said nothing new on this.

INCOME STATEMENT: Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Income Statement and had some questions on it. These questions also were answered.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sign at Industrial Park: Trustee Matchett said we have been working on the sign.
2. 3-5 Year Plan: Trustee Matchett said that Administrator Funderburg asked the trustees to prioritize the 3 to 5 year plan, and send him any suggestions or changes.
3. Newsletter: Trustee Matchett said the Newsletter is still on going.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Scott Air Force Base 2016 Newcomer's Guide: Trustee Matchett said Scott Air Force Base has a Newcomer's Guide. This is a magazine for base personnel. We were asked if we would like to advertise in it. The committee had some discussion on it and decided to table it at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None

EXHIBIT D:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser stated everyone should have an ESDA Report from ESDA Coordinator to look at and review. If you have any questions for Gene, please contact him. Mayor Speiser said Gene will be attending more of our meeting's now that he has retired.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE:

EXHIBIT E:

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 F:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the Board of Appeals memorandum from the hearing held on March 24, 2016. This was on a petition by Mark and Cindy White requesting an Area Bulk Variance pursuant to Freeburg Zoning Ordinance 40-8-2. They requested instead of 25 feet on the back, they want to go 17 feet. The Board of Appeals approved it.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS. None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT G:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1577. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25 of the Revised Code of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois (Nuisances).

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1577 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

EXHIBIT H:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1578. An Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of 3.2 Acres of Land. Mayor Speiser said before we vote upon this, he would like to say something. Mayor Speiser stated we worked a long time on getting this property, so if we ever decid to expand the sewer plant this property will be needed. He is very grateful to Mr. Kaiser for selling us this land. Mr. Keiser could have sold it to others for a lot more than what he sold it to us.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1578 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout. – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT I:

Mayor Speiser stated we have Moody’s Annual Comment on the Village of Freeburg Credit Rating. Village Administrator Funderburg said this is a report that this company put out. This is something they produced, we did not ask for this or paid for it to be printed. He thinks this would be good for everyone to take a look at it and review it. Tony said there are a couple of things in this report that drew his attention. Treasurer Bryan Vogel is also looking this report over for us.

Administrator Funderburg said we wrote a grant for SAVE to repair one of the roof’s out there on their property. These bids came in Friday and were verified by the County. If no one has any objections we will write a letter to them saying we are ok with them using Kehrer Brothers at the low bid \$58,360.00

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT J:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Lisa Meehling called the meeting of Legal/Ordinance to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 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. Zoning Administrator Henning stated the next step maybe to fine them a \$100 a day.

2. Occupancy permits inspections: Trustee Meehling said there is nothing new to report.
3. St. Clair County update of Building and Property Maintenance Code: Trustee Meehling said we are not sure when this is going to happen for us with St. Clair County. We are going to remove this from the agenda for right now.
4. Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals: Mayor Speiser and Tony will be meeting with Frank Heiligenstein again. We will get the Plan Commission hearing scheduled.
5. Local Debt Recovery Program: Trustee Meehling said Attorney Manion has handed over the Local Debt Recovery Program to another attorney to handle this for us. Attorney Manion said he should have an update on this for our next meeting.
6. Golf Carts or Side by Side Vehicles: Trustee Meehling said Julie has sent information to all of us on what she had received from the insurance company. Trustee Meehling stated that Trustee Trout has information on it also for us. No action was taken on this in my absence. We will address this at the next committee meeting.
7. Happy Hour Consideration: Trustee Meehling stated information on this was passed out at the last committee meeting to look at. Mayor Speiser wants to send a letter out to all the bars on the training program.

NEW BUSIENSS: Trustee Meehling said we passed Ordinance #1577 earlier on the agenda. Village Administrator Funderburg advised the committee we have a couple of new business prospects. One is a new doctor office looking for an acre of land. The second one is a gentleman looking to put in a high-end cigar retail store with a high-end coffee bar with liquor and video gaming. Village Administrator Funderburg did advised him there would not be any smoking in the building. Mayor Speiser stated on the Golf Carts and Side by Side Vehicles, the next Legal and Ordinance meeting, Mayor Todd from Millstadt and Mayor Klein from New Athens will be here. Before next Legal & Ordinance committee meeting, if you have any questions they should be able to answer them for us. These two municipalities have adopted the Side by Side Law.

EXHIBIT K:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Matt Trout called the meeting of Personnel/Police to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 2016.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS:

1. Diggitt K-9 dog: Trustee Trout said Trustee Pruett asked if K-9 dog Diggitt is going to be fixed. Trustee Trout said we do not have an update on this question.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Emergency Number: We talked about the non-emergency number. Trustee Trout stated that Chief Donald said you need him or police action after hours, bypass him for an emergency, and call 911. For a non-emergency number you can call 539-3132. Trustee Trout said the K-9 Golf Tournament will be July 16, 2016

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Health Insurance Option to Switch to Spouse's Plan: Trustee Trout said we talked about health insurance switching to spouse's insurance plan. They are working on a draft and should have something on it for the next Police/Personnel committee meeting.
2. ESDA Coordinator: We talked about ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer retirement.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 13, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 13, 2016 – 5:45 p.m.
Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 13, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, April 18, 2016 - 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Dean Pruett – No thank you.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Blaies – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee Matt Trout – He would like to thank Barb and Charlie Kaiser for their generosity and holding to their word they made with the village way back.

Trustee Lisa Meehling – No thank you.

Zoning Administrator Gary Henning – He would like to congratulate Gene on his 20 years of service. Also the grand opening for the new bait shop will be this Friday at 9:00 a.m.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.

Village Attorney Manion – No thank you.

Mayor Seth Speiser – He would like to remind everyone the Chamber Banquet is this Saturday, starts at 5:30 p.m. at St. Joe's Parish Center, the cost is \$30 per person. You can sign up until Saturday morning. The theme is the Roaring 20's. Hope everyone here tonight can attend.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Trustee Elizabeth Meehling and seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk