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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 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, August 1, 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 Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James Blaies – here; Trustee Bert Pruett – here; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – absent; Trustee Mathew Trout – absent; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (5 present, 2 absent). Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Trustee Bert Pruett motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 18, 2016 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr., seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE:

REVIEW OF BOARD LISTS: Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Board Lists. We had a few questions and those questions got answered.

REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS: Trustee Matchett stated no Investment Renewable is due until October.

INCOME STATEMENT: Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Income Statement.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Matchett said we were handed 3 Treasure's Reports by Treasurer Bryan Vogel to be reviewed at the last Village Board meeting. Trustee Matchett stated at this time he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to approve the Treasurer's Reports for October 31, November 30 and December 31 of 2015 and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – absent; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – absent; (4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Newsletter: Trustee Matchett said we talked about the Newsletter. If anyone has anything they would like to have placed in the Newsletter please let us know,

NEW BUSINESS:

1. FY2016 Audit Contract: Trustee Matchett stated we will bid out the 2016 audit when the time gets closer.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Vogel stated he does have a couple of additional packets for January and February. We are in a holding pattern until March when the audit is completed and then at that time Debbie will make the necessary adjustments and then we can move forward after that.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Gene talked about the Memorandum Agreement between Freeburg E.S.D.A/E.M.A and Freeburg Fire Protection District on the use of Radio Frequency. Gene talked about the FEMA meeting coming up on August 9th and August 10th. Gene also gave us an update on his weather report which was in the board packet.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE:

EXHIBIT E:

Zoning Administrator's Report: Mayor Speiser said next we have our Zoning Administrator's Report. Trustee Blaies asked Zoning Administrator Henning some questions on Solar Panels to roofs and yards. Village Zoning Administrator Henning answered the questions with the help of Village Administrator Funderburg. Mayor Speiser asked how long do they have to asphalt the parking lot after they get the permit. Zoning Administrator Henning replied one year to the date it was issued to complete the job.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS None.

BIDS: None.

ORDINANCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT F:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mike Blaies called the meeting of Electric Committee to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2016.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Variable Frequency Drives: Trustee Blaies said the #2 drive is installed and in operation, it is running now.
2. South Loop Extension: Trustee Blaies said Shane stated the infrastructure is in operation. The next step will be to work on switching customers over.
3. Damaged Bucket Truck: Trustee Blaies said we had some issues with the bucket truck, but those issues have been taking care of.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Blaies said we talked about the recent storm that took place and how some things could be done differently. Trustee Blaies stated that Public Works Director Tolan would like to get something in the paper letting the residents know how things work when we have something like this happen in the future.

EXHIBIT G:

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 Monday, July 18, 2016.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer project: Trustee Pruett said we discussed the sewer project. Mr. Helms and Rhutasel and Associates was present to discuss why the project has come to a stop and things that are going to be needed to start moving again.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Water Lines: Trustee Pruett stated we have residents that would like to have our water service.
2. Recycling Firms: Trustee Pruett said we have another firm that would like to help with the spring clean-up recycling. More information on this later.

EXHIBIT H:

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

Trustee Denise Albers called the Public Property Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2016.

The following items were talked about or discussed under:

POOL: OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool/Storm Shelter/St. Clair County Parks Grant: Trustee Albers stated the slide should arrive Tuesday. The slide will be installed after the pool season, to make sure it is up and running proper for next year. Village Administrator Funderburg submitted a grant application for playground equipment for outside the pool grounds.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. MFT/Ditch on North Main: Trustee Albers stated we approved the MFT bid for oil from JTC Petroleum.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Southgate Dr./Countryside Lane: Trustee Albers stated Public Works Director Tolan advised they have started work on the Southgate Drive drainage problem. The Public Works Department did ditched all the way back past Jack Emge and Cedar Trails. This project should be done by the end of the month.
3. Borger Drainage Issues: Trustee Albers said we discussed the Borger drainage issue. We are working on some kind of agreement on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Freeburg Community High School Foundation Turkey Chase Run Request: Trustee Albers stated we grant the request from Freeburg High School for their Turkey Chase Run.
2. Homecoming Parade Resolution: Trustee Albers stated we approved Resolution #16-05 for the Homecoming Parade.

EXHIBIT I:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling called Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on July 27, 2016.

(In the absent of Trustee Meehling, Trustee Blaies gave the report.)

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSIENSS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Blaies stated Zoning Administrator Henning has received a lot of request on properties with high grass.
2. Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Funderburg, Mayor Speiser and Village Attorney Manion met with Frank Heiligenstein to discuss the Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals.
3. Golf Carts or Side by Side Vehicles: Trustee Blaies stated we have some final details to work out. We are getting feedback from companies who are going to do the inspections.
5. Noise Ordinance: Trustee Blaies stated we will be sending this to the Plan Commission with the other topics to look at.

NEW BUSIENSS: None.

EXHIBIT L:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mathew Trout called the meeting of Personnel/Police Committee Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2016.

(In the absent of Trustee Trout, Trustee Pruett gave the report.)

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review of Fees for False Alarms: We talked about the Fees for False Alarms. Trustee Trout said he will look at other communities to see what they do.
2. Police Canine: Trustee Pruett said Canine Diggitt passed her certification.
3. New Patrol Car: The new patrol car is due sometime here in August.
4. Part-time officers Cameron Rettig and Cody Wiley to be hired: Trustee Pruett said we discuss hiring two part-time officers for the Freeburg Police Department. Chief Donald said these two officers Cameron Rettig and Cody Wiley were the only two that he believed were the best suited for the position. Trustee Pruett said at this time he would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Bert Pruett motioned to hire Cameron Rettig and Cody Wiley as part-time officers for the Village of Freeburg Police Department and Trustee James Blaies seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; Trustee Lisa Meehling – absent; (4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.*

NEW BUINESS: None.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Health Insurance Option to Switch to Spouse's Plan: Trustee Pruett stated Attorney Manion has the ordinance for review.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10, 2016 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, August 15, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers to the Freeburg Police Department.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers.

Trustee James Blaies – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers and also to the two new lineman.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers and the two new lineman.

Trustee Bert Pruett – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers and the also the two new lineman.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – Same here

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

Village Zoning Administrator Gary Henning – Welcome to the two new part-time police officers.

Village Treasurer Bryan Vogel – No thank you.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer- Welcome to the two new part-time police officers.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee James Blaies motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk