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Robert Kaiser  
Mike Blaies  
Ray Matchett, Jr.  
Lisa Meehling

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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**  
Matt Trout

**VILLAGE ATTORNEY**  
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## VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2022 @ 7:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, March 7, 2022, in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room. Presentation of the meeting was also conducted by Zoom video conferencing. Village Hall was open to the public.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent)  
Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

### **EXHIBIT A:**

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, February 22, 2022, for approval.

*Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the Regular Board minutes from Tuesday, February 22, 2022, and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

### **EXHIBIT F:**

*Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to amend the agenda to Exhibit F for the Proclamation for Girl Scout Week, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lis) Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

Mayor Speiser proceeded to read the Girl Scout Week Proclamation.

### **EXHIBIT B:**

**FINANCE:** None.

Trustee (Chairperson) Mike Blaies reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

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

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1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Blaies said we reviewed the Board Lists. There was a question on the following: Backstoppers which totaled \$1,500, and Chief Schutzenhofer confirmed that is the normal cost of dues.

2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Blaies stated we have 5CDs due in March, which has been moved into Money Market Account for now.

3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg commented we are at about 91% right now.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Blaies said the Attorney Invoices were passed out and we reviewed them.

2. Newsletter: Trustee Blaies said Julie is working on this, and it seems to be pretty full.

3. Loans for Police and Public Works Vehicles and CAT Generator Upgrades: Trustee Blaies said we are not working on a loan for the generators until we have more information.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. FY2023 Budget: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg email a rough draft of the FY2023 Budget, and this will be discussed in the Committee As A Whole meeting.

Trustee Blaies said we have Cencom, and the purchase of transformers.

**EXHIBIT C:**

*Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to the approval of the 2022 Cencom Dispatch Invoice in the amount of \$22,067.08, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion.**

**EXHIBIT D:**

*Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to purchase of ten transformers from B&B Transformer in the amount of \$312,950, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

**EXHIBIT E:**

**ESDA REPORT:** Mayor Seth Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. ESDA Coordinator Gene updated us on his ESDA Report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**EXHIBIT G:**

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:** Mayor Speiser asked if anyone has anything for Zoning Administrator Matt Trout on his Zoning Report. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reminded us that there is a public hearing coming up for rezoning the property on State Street for the Dollar General Store.

**EXHIBIT H:**

Mayor Speiser said we have the Recommendation Approval and Payment of Haier Plumbing & Heating's change Order #1 in the amount of \$16,790.85 for additional construction site reference points.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to the approval and payment of Haier Plumbing change order #1 in the amount of \$16,790.85, and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

**EXHIBIT I:**

Mayor Speiser said we have the Recommendation Approval and Payment of Haier Plumbing & Heating's Application for Payment No. 7 in the amount of \$881,745.07.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to the approval and payment of Haier Plumbing Application for Payment No. 7 in the amount of \$881,745.07, and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS and COMMISSIONS:** None.

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

**BIDS:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None.

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## **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

### **EXHIBIT J:**

#### **Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:**

Trustee (Chairperson) Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 5:45 p.m.

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Heap said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported 5 occupancy permits and 1 roof mounted solar permits being issued. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said we have a rezoning hearing before the Combined Board on March 8<sup>th</sup> for the new Dollar General Store locations.
2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estate Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said regarding Zoning Administrator Matt Trout the paperwork for the sewer extension will be on tonight's board agenda.
3. Review of fees Charged by the Village: We talked about the renewal of the fees on the machines.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Solar Ordinance: Trustee Heap said we are still working on the Solar Ordinance.

Trustee Heap said the committee had a discussion on a creek that needs to be cleaned out behind Westview Drive. We are going to discuss this at another meeting.

Trustee Heap said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported on two future county board hearing on some property near Freeburg.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

### **EXHIBIT I:**

#### **Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:**

Trustee (Chairperson) Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

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

**POLICE:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. School Resource Officer for Freeburg High School: Trustee Meehling said we discussed the School Resource Officer for the high school. We are working on this getting closer to finalizing the agreement.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Sale of Police Cars: Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer is working on the old cars to get them ready to sell.

**PERSONNEL:**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Combined Planning/Zoning Board – Tuesday, March 8, 2022 – 6:00p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2022 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, March 21, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

**VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:**

**Trustee Denise Albers** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Village Clerk Jerry Menard** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Trustee James (Mike) Blaies** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr.** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser** – Congratulations to the Girl Scouts.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

**Village Administrator Tony Funderburg** – No thank you.

**Public Works Director John Tolan** – No thank you.

**Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout** – No thank you.

**Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer** – No thank you.

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Karmer** – Said about 4:00 a.m. Friday morning, we are looking at a combination of sleet and snow. The combination of the both should be more than 1 inch.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Seth Speiser called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, March 1, 2022 at 7:51 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk