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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, April 20, 2020, presentation of the meeting was conducted by, Zoom video conferencing.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – 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 Monday, April 6, 2020 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, April 6,, 2020, with corrections and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT B:

ESDA REPORT Mayor Seth Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer up dated us on his ESDA Report.

1. Pandemic Response Operations.
2. Attended County EMA weekly WebEx briefings for Public Safety Departments.
3. Conducted two travels to County EMA EOC for PPE equipment.
4. Repack ESDA back packs with PPE equipment for ESDA Community Storm shelter use.

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5. Provide Update on operation modification of Shelters.
6. Attended White House COVID-19 briefing with State and Local Leaders.
7. CDC and IDPH information related to “Care Centers/Retirement Homes”.
8. Attended IDPH Webinar for COVID-19 Situational updates for local ESDA/EMAs.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mr. Fellows said he is working with the State Emergency Operations Center and will be glad to help out with anything we need here in Freeburg.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT C:

1. **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT FOR MARCH 2020:** Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have anything for the Zoning Administrator Matt Trout. Hearing none we will move on.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1697, An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement for the Annexation of 4.27 Acres, more or less, of Real Estate Owned by David E. Fellows and Karen D. Fellows, located in the County of St. Clair, State of Illinois.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1697 by title only and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT E:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1698, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Fellows Property” to and in the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1698 by title only and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1699, An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Rezoning Certain Property Commonly Known as the Fellows Property

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1699 by title only and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT G:

APPOINTMENTS: Tabled until May 4th Board Meeting.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT H:

Combined Planning/Zoning Board – Tuesday, March 10, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. Mayor Speiser said the committee Review some of the Zoning Codes.

EXHIBIT I:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies called the meeting of Electric Committee to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised the committee our power outage on April 8th was due to Ameren’s loss of power that they feed to us. We had everyone up and running in 20 minutes and generated for a little over 2 hours.

2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane received an inquiry from a restaurant owner working on a remodeling. He gave him all the information and links to IMEA for the grant forms.

3. North Substation CAT Work: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane said this was scheduled for April 20th and 21st.

4. Unit #6 Circuit Breaker Repair: Trustee Blaies said the Unit #6 Circuit Breaker repair is schedule for July 6th. We are hoping it will be sooner than that when we get the parts in.

5. CAAPP Permit Renewal: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee the CAAPP Permit Renewal has been approved by IEPA. The permit is good for 5 years.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Blaies said we talked about the Local Debt Recovery Program. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg has created a budget spreadsheet reflecting the possible changes due to COVID-19. We will discuss this issue later.

EXHIBIT J:

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

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser called the meeting of the Water/Sewer Committee to order at 5:49 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Sewer Plant: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan has had a couple of meetings with Burns & McDonnell to finalize the design. They have reduced the size of the administration building. He also met with Ally reviewing the CMOM storm water overflows. We received approval to be on the funding track for the low interest loan. The current timetable would be to go out to bid in July and construction would start in October. We still need to have a meeting to discuss the projected cost and rate structure.

2. Sewer issues: Trustee Kaiser said Tim Kunkleemann had a slow drain on his sewer. Public Works Director John Tolan is going to clean and televise that area as well as around the grade school, behind Market Place and Don Gass' property on Cherry Street.

Trustee Kaiser said Barb Winterbauer's sewer issues are being discussed at this time. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg is looking into to help them out with this.

3. Old Freeburg Road Water Lines: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan received an email from TWM advising the railroad denied the permit. Chris will correct the items and resubmit it to them.

4. Water System Study: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan met virtually with TWM, but he needs to have a face-to-face meeting with them to understand what they are trying to do. They are presenting phases on replacing the water mains in town, with the first one being around the schools.

Trustee Kaiser said regarding Edison Estates, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said we have received TWM's review, and that has been sent to Tim at Rhutasel. Tim resubmitted the changes last week with the revised drainage and answered all the questions we and TWM had.

Tim is working with IEPA on some clarifications needed for the water permit. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, and Public Works Director John Tolan asked Rhutasel and/or the developer get a water flow test done. We asked for an independent test to be done since it is going to be very close to the 1,000 gallons a minute at psi. We want this done before the infrastructure is put into place. Mark White approved having that test done. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout will keep the board updated on this.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee we had a leak on the east water tower where the bowl and standpipe meet and had to be shut down. Trikote welded the leak and disinfected the water. We had two samples sent in and we are waiting for them to come back. The TTHMS and HAAs sampling came back with good results.

EXHIBIT K:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at 6:19 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

POOL: OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Matchett stated under pool, Public Works Director John Tolan said May 1st is the date he needs to get going on the pool if we want to open on time. We do not know if that is going to happen at this time. The diving board is here and we did have a couple of estimates on the insulation of it. We will have more discussion on this, at the next Finance Committee meeting.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Apple Street Proposed Repair: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan said we will go out for qualifications on the engineer.
2. MFT/Meadowbrook: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan said the cost for slag is pretty high at \$21.34/ton, he looked for more options. Freed Weber Quarry quoted was higher. We are back to slag, and IDOT agreed to do a single source on the slag and agreed we did not have to rebid it.
3. Sale of 310 West Washington: Trustee Matchett said Attorney Keck confirmed he has sent the purchase contract to the tile company. He received the tile report today, and he needs to verify one boundary line with the county. It should close in the next two weeks.

Trustee Matchett said the Mayor commented on our employees' status during the COVID-19 pandemic. He believes as well as the committee believes it is in our best interest to keep our employees safe. Public Works Director John Tolan has the guys working in a rotation coming in at different times. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Village Attorney Fred Keck has worked up a policy for the public works department. They will go to work on day to day bases to perform essential maintenance of the water, sewer and electric cordial infrastructure and all other emergency's. Mayor Speiser said if anyone has comment on this issue instead of going into Executive Session as a group tonight, please call Tony tomorrow this is not taking affect as of tomorrow. If we need to get together to discuss this, for it did just get sent out. We had to wait to get approval from our attorney and the union on what we our projecting here to do. Please call Tony within the next 24 hours with any comments. If we have any, we will get together with John and Lisa if there are going to be any changes made, than we will get in contact with everyone.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal/ Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 29, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.
Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 29, 2020 – 5:45 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 29, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, May 4, 2020 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Mayor Seth Speiser – He would like to welcome David and Karen Fellows into the Village and their family. He is glad we were able to get that taking care for them tonight.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Everyone hang in there and stay safe. Thank you Gene for all of your work and welcome to the Fellows.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Welcome to the Fellows to the village.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Welcome to the Fellows to the village.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – Welcome to the Fellows to the village.

Trustee Denise Albers – She would like to welcome the Fellows to the village. She would like to remind everyone to continue to support the small businesses here in town.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Welcome to the Fellows to the village.

STAFF COMMENTS:

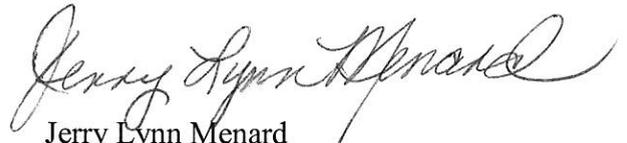
Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – He would like to welcome the Fellows to the village. Mr. Fellows has been a big help with all of this that has been going on. He has called him many of times with questions, Dave has been a big help to the village.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – Welcome to the Fellows to the village.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – Welcome to the Fellows to the village

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

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, April 6, 2020 at 7:51 p.m. and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk

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