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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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## VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MAY 2, 2022 @ 7:30 P.M.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
Tony Funderburg

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF  
Michael J. Schutzenhofer

ESDA COORDINATOR  
Eugene Kramer

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR  
Matt Trout

VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, May 2, 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 Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – absent; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (6 present, 1 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 28, 2022 for approval.

*Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, April 18, 2022, and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

### EXHIBIT B:

#### FINANCE:

Trustee Denise Albers (Chairperson) reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Board Lists and discussed specific listings: Essence Chemical; Quality Rental; Downen Signs; Chemco Industries, Saltus Technologies; Digticket software maintenance and support agreement, Municipal Equipment.

2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said we continue to wait on rates to improve, before we move any money and additional funds from our money market into other investments.

3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** None

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**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Albers said we do not have a treasurer's report, but we are very close to getting caught up.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said attorney's invoice was provided for the committee to review.
2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said we discussed the next newsletter which will be printed next month. We would like to see information in the newsletter on the lighted Christmas parade, campers and boats being parked on the streets and cars parking the wrong way on streets.

**EXHIBIT C:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. MFT Bid: Trustee Alber said we discussed the MFT Bid, and this time she would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to accept the proposal of the 2022 MFT Bids as follows: Beelman Truck Company's bid for Seal Coat Aggregate in the amount of \$25,903.80; Verlan Funk Truck Service's bid for Aggregate CA6, Aggregate RR#, and Aggregate CA 11 for a total of \$4,685.00; and Illini Road Oil's bid for Bit Mat (Seal Coat) in the amount of \$63,419.25, and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.***

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

**EXHIBIT D:**

**ESDA REPORT** Mayor Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Gene updated us on his May 2, 2022 ESDA Report.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet Baechle asked do we know when we are going to oil and chip. She was told the date has not been set yet.

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**EXHIBIT E:**

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR MAY 2, 2022:** Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have anything for the Zoning Administrator Matt Trout. Trustee Blaies asked Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, where are the two new homes being built at. Zoning Administrator Trout said one in Country Side and the other in Meadow Pines.

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

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

**BIDS:** None.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None.

**EXHIBIT F:**

**ORDINANCE:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1742, which at this time we will table it on tonight agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Speiser proceeded to read the Proclamation on behalf of the Belleville Area Humane Society. On hand to accept the Proclamation was BAHS Executive Director Kim Vrooman. Kim thanked us all.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None.

**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

**EXHIBIT G:**

**Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 27, 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 7 occupancy permits, 3 building permits that included 1 new home, 1 fence, and 1 commercial-dog washing station at the south car wash. Matt continues to work with the new Dollar General on completing the necessary requirement on the building.

2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estates Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said the developers of Meadow Pines are trying to figure out how they are going to move forward. Nothing new on Edison Estates.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Trustee Heap said Scott and Donna Harris were present to discuss their concerns over neighbor dogs being aggressive.

**EXHIBIT H:**

**Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling (Chairperson) reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6:07 p.m.

**POLICE:**

**OLD BUSIENSS:**

1. School Resource Officer for Freeburg High School: Trustee Meehling said we discussed regarding the School Resource Officer for Freeburg High School. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Mayor Seth Speiser have a meeting tomorrow morning with grade and high schools. Attorney Kieck will review the agreement before we move forward.
2. Part-Time Police Officer Hire: Trustee Meehling stated we are continuing to look for part-time officers. This has been a challenge.
3. Sale of Police Cars: Trustee Meehling said we have 2 police cars not in service which has been at the shop getting stripped, one should be ready to go soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Meehling said we discussed the new truck that was purchase by Metro East Auto Theft Task Force for Officer Terry Marquardt, as a replacement for the one that was involved in an accident. We have now added it to our insurance policy pre agreement.

**PERSONNEL:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1: Lifeguard Hires: Trustee Meehling said under Personnel, we are going to hire all remaining pool personnel. Trustee Meehling said at this time she would like to make motion:

*Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to hire Scott Schulz, Corbin Schwable and Irelynne Loesche as pool manages with a 2.5% raise; concession stand workers Luke Brant, Clair Schopp, Josie Schwable and Jack Walters at \$12.00 per hour; lifeguards Gracie Mullins, Sebastian Skaer and Riley Smith at \$12.00 per hour; pending successful completion of the lifeguard certification class; returning lifeguards Lauren Holcomb, Rachel King, Alaina Levy, Claire Mullins, Jenna Spanely, Carmen Stein, Brooke Trentman and Grace Vahlkamp at \$12.00 per hour, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.***

**NEW BUSINESS:** Trustee Meehling said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg sent everyone an email from Mike Genin at IMEA regarding increased electric rates. This will be discussed in the next electric committee meeting. He also provided information from Clearwave Fiber on their program to run fiber to everyone in town. They informed Tony they want to permit and locate 5, 000 feet per day. This will be discussed in a future committee meeting.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Combined Planning/Zoning Board – Tuesday, May 10, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. (may be canceled)

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2022 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, May 16, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

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

**Trustee Denise Albers** – No thank you.

**Trustee Elizabeth Meehling** – Congratulation to the Belleville Area Humane Society.

**Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap** – No thank you.

**Village Clerk Jerry Menard** – No thank you.

**Trustee James (Mike) Blaies** – No thank you.

**Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr.** – No thank you.

**Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser** – No thank you.

**Mayor Seth Speiser** –

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

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

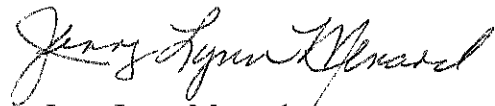
**Zoning Administrator Matt Trout** – Just to let everyone know Cindy Niebruegge is retiring and pulled her business. If anyone see hers, please congratulate her on her retirement.

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

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer** – Just a look out for Thursday's weather. He informed us what will be going on due to the weather.

**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, May 2, 2022 at 7:50 p.m. and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard  
Village Clerk