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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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## VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018 @ 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, P.C.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, July 16, 2018, 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 Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Bert (Dean) Pruett – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Ramon (Ray) Matchett, Jr. – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent) Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

### EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 2, 2018 for approval.

*Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 2, 2018 and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

**FINANCE:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

### EXHIBIT B:

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

1. Compiled ARRL Ares Report for June 18, 2018.
2. Conducted County wide ARES Nets from Freeburg EOC/Office.
3. Conducted Nationwide HF Communications Net for the Salvation Army Team Emergency Net.
4. Participated in the Hospital Amateur Radio Network from the ESDA EOC office.
5. Replaced "back up" 12vdc batteries in the ESDA office.
6. Severe Thunderstorm Warnings that were issued.

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet Baechle asked a question about the Combined Planning/Zoning recommendation on the parking for the video gaming parlor. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout explained how it works.

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**EXHIBIT C:**

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

1. Zoning Administrator's Report: Zoning Administrator Matt Trout explained some more to Janet about the parking for the Video Gaming Parlor. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said that Log Logistics and Right of Way Traffic have picked up their building permits to get started on their businesses. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said Scott and Angie Mueller's Area Bulk Variance was approved by the Combined Planning/Zoning Board at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. They have submitted their building permit to start working on the first duplex on the corner lot.

**EXHIBIT D:**

2. Combined Planning /Zoning Board: Mayor Speiser stated that the Combined Planning/Zoning Board met on July 10, 2018. Mayor Speiser stated the Combined Planning/Zoning Board approved the Mueller Area Bulk Variance request. Mayor Speiser also stated the Combined Planning/Zoning Board recommended the Zoning Code changes. Mayor Speiser said the proposed amendment to Section 40-19-9 of the Zoning Code of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois in the County of St. Clair which will add a video gaming parlor as a definition in the Zoning Board Code; and also 40-11-1 will add a video gaming parlor as a permitted use in the B-2, Highway Business District. Mayor Speiser stated the committee also reviewed a proposed amendment to Section 40-15-13 of the Zoning Code of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois in the County of St. Clair which will revise the number of parking spaces under (C) Commercial, office service to 1 space per 2 seats or 1 space per 200 square feet of floor area, whichever is greater.

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

**CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS:** (See Ordinances)

**BIDS:** None.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None.

**EXHIBIT E:**

**ORDINANCES:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1663, An Ordinance Providing for the Regulation of and Application for Small Wireless Facilities.

*Trustee James Blaies motioned to adopt Ordinance #1663 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.*

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**EXHIBIT F:**

**ORDINANCES:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1664, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40 of the Revised Code of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, St. Clair County (B-2) Highway Business Permitted Uses and Commercial, office service number of Parking Spaces).

*Trustee Michael Heap motioned to adopt Ordinance #1664 by title only and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Michael Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Speiser said he met with Kent Heap about his sewer and water issue. Mayor Speiser stated he thinks everything is fine now with Mr. Heap.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None.

**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

**EXHIBIT G:**

**Electric Committee Meeting:**

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 5:33 p.m.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Surplus Equipment: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised us the surplus police car sold for \$5,170.00 and we don't have any other items out for bid at this time.
2. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said that Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised the committee with the recent storm, we had outages with the largest group around North Monroe and North Belleville Street. Tree limb came down on the wires in the alley. Trustee Blaies said everything was taken care of in a short manner.
3. Freeburg Country Mart LED Lighting Project: Trustee Blaies stated Head Lineman Shane Krauss is going to reach out to Mr. Koppeis to see where this project stands since Mr. Whepley hasn't heard anything.
4. New 5G Wireless Initiative: Trustee Blaies said we discussed the New 5G Wireless Initiative. We just passed this under Ordinances on the agenda.

5. Solar on Police Expansion: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan would like us to hold off on the Solar Lighting until the rules from the ICC come down. Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan will receive an update at next week's executive board meeting at IMEA.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspection: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised us our insurance company inspected our air tanks for safety and everything passed.

Trustee Blaies stated Chief Mike Schutzenhofer said with the proceeds from the sale of the police car, he would like to take the money and put it towards our portion of the interoperability equipment which will cost \$10,000. Trustee Blaies said the committee agreed to the request.

Trustee Blaies stated that Chief Mike Schutzenhofer also would like to purchase three AEDs for the electric department bucket trucks at a cost of \$5,103.80 and would like to use the proceeds from the golf tournament fundraiser for this. Trustee Blaies said the committee also agreed to this request.

#### **EXHIBIT H:**

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

Trustee Bert (Dean) Pruett reported on the Public Works Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 5:53 p.m.

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

##### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. New Sewer Plant: Trustee Pruett said Public Works Director John Tolan advised us he has met with five firms, TWM, Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Farnsworth Group, Burns and McDonnell and Horner & Shifrin and conducted plant tours. Public Works Director Tolan said they are all topnotch firms and we are going to have a very hard decision to make.

2. Sewer issues/Sewer Main Jack's Car Wash: Trustee Pruett said Public Works Director John Tolan stated the issue behind Kent Heap's home has been fixed and he is very pleased with the work. Trustee Pruett stated Public Works Director John Tolan met with Jim Feurer, and it turned out to be a different issue than what he thought. His floor drain goes to the corner of the ditch, and TWM had installed an inlet in front of Will Fischer's old house. Mr. Feurer asked about the flapper valve. Public Works Director John Tolan said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg told him we would put check valves in there. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will verify that with TWM. If they are in, they are the homeowner's responsibility to check it and fix it. Trustee Pruett stated we had an overflow at the west plant with the big rain and it was reported to EPA.

3. West Apple Street/ Schiermeier Road/Old Freeburg Road Water Line Extension: Trustee Pruett said Public Works Director John Tolan is going to locate the whole project for Old Freeburg Road for TWM. This way, everything can be noted upfront. We are moving towards surveying, and then onto design and bidding.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Pruett said we were advised by Public Works Director John Tolan that the tower issues that he is having are some communication failures, and WDA Automation is going to replace the PLC in his office.

**EXHIBIT I:**

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 6:12 p.m.

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

**EXHIBIT I:**

**POOL: OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Pool: Trustee Matchett said in our board packet there is a proposal from NuToys to complete the pour in place system for the playground.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to accept the NuToys Play Pour Poured in Place proposal not to exceed \$60,648.00 and Trustee Bert Pruett seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**STREETS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Drainage Problem Areas (Hill Mine road)/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan is going to look at Vine Street which experienced some issues with the recent storm, and let us know if there are any problems.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Matchett said during the storm, Public Works Director John Tolan advised us the Deerfield siren sounded horrible. Public Works Director John Tolan will check it at the August test and stated we may need to replace it.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** Trustee Matchett said Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said Dirk Downen approached him about his concerns with the parking on Cemetery Road with all the events going on out there. Trustee Matchett stated Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout and Chief Schutzenhofer went out and looked at the issue and suggested putting another parking lot in out there. Trustee Matchett said Trustee Meehling stated it is hard for us to go to the park board about this because we don't have anything in our code to back it up. Trustee Matchett said Trustee Pruett made a suggestion for Glen who runs the ball complex out there to put something out to inform visitors no parking on each side of Cemetery Road. Trustee Matchett said Chief Schutzenhofer said we have to start enforcing no parking.

Trustee Matchett said at this time he would like to make a motion.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**7:52 P.M.**

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to go Executive Session to Discuss Personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(1)] and Trustee Bert Pruett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ENDED @ 8:10 p.m.**

*Trustee Michael Blaies motioned to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 8:11 p.m. and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

Trustee Matchett said he would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to recommend a 30 day unpaid leave of absence for Public Works Department employee Jeff Mohr and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael Heap – aye; Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.*

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Legal/ Ordinance Committee Meeting – July 25, 2018 – 5:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, July 25, 2018 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, July 25, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Combined Planning and Zoning Board Meeting – Tuesday, July 31, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, August 6, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.

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

**Trustee Bert (Dean) Pruett** – No thank you.

**Trustee Ramon (Ray) Matchett, Jr.** – He would like to thank the Public Works Department for their hard work through the storm.

**Trustee James (Mike) Blaies** – He would like to also thank the Public Works Department for their hard work through the storm.

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

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

**Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling** – No thank you.

**Trustee Denise Albers** – Congratulations to Tony on making the Frontier Baseball League's Hall of Fame with the best burger.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

**Village Administrator Tony Funderburg** –

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

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

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer** – We will have some better weather ahead of us on Thursday.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Speiser called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Trustee Bert Pruett motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, July 16, 2018 at 8:13 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk