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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 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, August 1, 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. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Denise Albers – 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, July 18, 2022 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 18, 2022, and Trustee Denise Albers 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, July 27, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Board Lists and discussed specific listings: Alpha Fence Systems – repair to the north substation gate; MEGSI, annual dues for the Metro East drug task force.
- 2. REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said we have a CD coming due August 9, and Treasurer Bryan Vogel stated the interest rates are going up. We will get bids from Bank of Belleville and Citizens. We also have a lot of money in the money market account. Trustee Albers stated we should consider moving some of the money into CDs on a tier process.

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3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said the electric engineering fund has been revised.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Trustee Albers said we did not have a treasurer’s report.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said attorney’s invoice was provided for the committee to review.
2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said Julie advised the committee the newsletter went out about three weeks ago, and the next one will come out in October.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-20 in the amount of \$25,024.39: Trustee Albers said we received an Invoice from Burns & McDonnell. At this time, she would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned the approval of Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-20 in the amount of \$25,024.39, 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 Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.***

Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg confirmed the Fire Department will be sending in a check for the fire hydrant rental. The St. Clair County Park Grant application process is starting, and he would like to replace some of the umbrella tops and add one more umbrella to the pool. Trustee Albers stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg met with Waste Management. Per the contract terms, they are raising rates due to the increases in fuel and new state laws. They are asking for a \$1.40 increase per house per month. They can only guarantee that cost for 12 months. Tony will have Attorney Keck look at this before we agree to it. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg gave us and update on this. He said Waste Management lower the price to \$1.10.

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 August 1, 2022 ESDA Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR AUGUST 1, 2022: Unavailable

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT E:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #22-13 A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Insituform Technologies USA, LLC for the 2022 Sewer Replacement and Lining Project.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Resolution #22-13 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1745 An Ordinance of the Village of Freeburg Authorizing the Mayor to Execute and the Village Board to Enter into a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement with the International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO Local 148 Office Staff.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1745 by title only and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT G:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1746 An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, Approving and Authorizing the Village to Enter Into and the Mayor to Execute a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Village of Freeburg, Illinois and the International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO, Local 148

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Ordinance #1746 by title only and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.
NEW BUSINESS: None.
APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:
EXHIBIT H:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap (chairperson) reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 5:54 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Heap summarized Zoning Administrator Matt Trout report: there were 15 occupancy permits, 9 building permits have been issued which include 2 pools, 3 fence, 2 electrics, 1 sign and 1 triplex in Edison Estates. The new owner of the Dori Marine property continues to clean it up. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout talked to Mark from Cardinal Court and thinks everything is lined up to remove the trailer. We discussed the home on Kristie Lynn needs to be addressed about high grass/weeds.
2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estates Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said there is nothing new to report in Meadow Pines. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout sent a letter to the developer of Edison Estates about completing the detention/rip rap work and sealing the cracks in the curbs and one of the storm inlets. Mayor Speiser advised that has been completed, and it really looks good.
3. Review of Fees Charged by the Village: Trustee Heap said we discussed the fees charged by the village and we are still working on that. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will email it to everyone and take it to the next electric committee meeting.
4. Westview Drive Right-of-Way: Trustee Heap said on Westview Drive Right-of-Way the owners at 114 and 118 Westview agreed to pay for the vacation of property, and Zoning Administrator Matt Trout has turned that over to Volkert to start the process.

Zoning Administrator Matt Trout advised the committee Fire Chief Hans Miller walked the sewer plant with him to familiarize himself with the plant in case any issues arise during construction. Once we near completion, he would like to hold a training out there in case there is ever an emergency. Trustee Heap said Freeburg Country Mart Pharmacy is hoping to open by the end of the month. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout continues to work with the contractor, architect and developer of 807 N. State Street. They are working to finalize their site plan.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Executive Session to Discus Real Estate Transactions, 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(5): Trustee Heap stated we did not need to have an Executive Session.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT I:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies reported in the absence of Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling (Chairperson) Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 6:07 p.m.

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS:

1. Freeburg District #70 School Resource Officer Agreement: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee Attorney Keck is working on this.
2. Full-Time Police Officer Hire: Trustee Blaies said we have received one application for a full-time officer. We will interview the top candidates. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee we have an officer that is going to retire at the end of the year but have not received any official paperwork. We should start looking for a replacement now.
3. Sale of Police Cars: Trustee Blaies said there is nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg reported two water breaks on Monday, and around the same time. The crew that are working on State Street hit a gas main, and our guys responded. They started pumping on Tuesday morning about 4:00 a.m., and stayed ahead of the rains all day long. There were very few calls at Village Hall, and Tony said the guys did a great job,

GENERAL CONERNS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Combined Planning/Zoning Board – Tuesday, August 9, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. (canceled)
Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10 – 5:45 p.m.
Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 10, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, August 15, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – No thank you.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – She would like to thank the guys for their hard work though the rain. Matt sent an email out he heard from a resident on Lakeview Drive thanking John and the police today who help remove a limb from a wire by his house and the works department for coming back and cleaning up the yard. She would like to also mention Jane she has been very helpful to a resident who has been here for 3 years.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Mayor Seth Speiser –

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – He would like to thank John and his crew who work though the rain.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – He would like to thank John and his crew who work though the rain and also Gene for all of his work.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – Tony filled us in on all the rescues that we had during the rain. He thanked the police department and works department.

Public Works Director John Tolan – He would like to thank his guys for a great job they did.

Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – Matt said there are a couple of things. There will be a Chamber work night for sitting up the homecoming stands at 6:00 p.m... If anyone is available, please come and help. It usually only takes about a half hour to forty-five minutes. On Cedar Trails don't know if everyone saw the email to attend their open house. Cedar Trails was voted the best assistant living in Illionis, that was great news. Also, Valentines' Restaurant got second best steak house in Illinois. He did meet with the new owner of the shopping center, should be open by the end of the year if everything goes right.

Chief of Police Mike Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – If anyone needs assistant from the flood you can call 211 they will help you with clean up.

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

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, August 1, 2022 at 7:54 p.m. and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk