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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020 @ 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 3, 2020, presentation of the meeting was 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 James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – 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 from the previous Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 20, 2020 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, July 20, 2020, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE:

EXHIBIT B:

Trustee Denise Albers reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Board Lists.
- 2. REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said the CD that came due on July 7th, was not renewed We invested into a money market account due to interest rates are so low at this time. Trustee Albers stated Treasurer Bryan Vogel and Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will monitor the market conditions.

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3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg clarified the general fund revenue. Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee much of the state property taxes are just now coming in. Trustee Albers said the electric franchise fee just needs a journal transfer entry. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg wants to confirm with the county we will be receiving our money from the property taxes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said Office Manager Julie Polson has the attorney invoices if anyone wants to review them, stop by her desk.

2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said this newsletter was a catch-up edition for the events that had been reschedule due to COVID-19.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Albers stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee he looked into the money we were getting from the state, and it is part of the CARES Act and not automatic. If we qualify, it is a 27-step process to get these funds. To date we spent about \$8,100.00 and we can request reimbursement through FEMA. Trustee Albers said we are not receiving the \$179,000 since we are not Chicago or a surrounding area. Trustee Albers stated Brad Cole from IML is going to fight for the municipalities to receive their share.

2. Trustee Albers said we discussed the Old Freeburg Road water line project. The Village Board agreed to go out for bid on this project. We have the railroad documentation, and we have budgeted \$227,000. We have been working on this project for years. Once we have the customs easements in place we can move forward before the EPA permit expires in December. If for some reason we have to delay this project the railroad permit is good for two years and the EPA permit does not cost much money.

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 updated us on his ESDA Report for August 3, 2020.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Not available.
RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.
CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.
BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #20-09, A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, Authorizing the Village to Enter Into and the Mayor to Execute an Agreement between the Village of Freeburg and Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois Intergovernmental Agreement.

*Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to adopt Resolution #20-09 by title only 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 Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

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

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:
EXHIBIT E:
Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 5:45 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

- OLD BUSINESS:**
1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Heap stated there were 8 occupancy permit and 3 building permits consisting of 1 patio, 1 pool/deck and 1 garage.
 2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estate Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said Public Works Director John Tolan reported they are still working on the detention pond. Trustee Heap said the mud coming down the stream has become a real issue, they are addressing this problem. Everything at Edison Estates is going well. The sewer main and manholes are in, and the laterals are now being put in.
 3. Code Revisions/Legal Review: Trustee Heap stated the Combined Planning and Zoning Board has been moving forward with the code revisions.

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EXHIBIT F:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Jacob Hoffman and Clayton Proffitt Probation Status: Trustee Blaies said Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer recommends both Jacob Hoffman and Clayton Proffitt be moved off probation status.

*Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to move Jacob Hoffman and Clayton Proffitt taken off of probation status and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

2. Resolution #20-09 A Resolution Authorizing Execution of the MEGSI Agreement: Trustee Blaies said we discussed the MEGSI Agreement, which we passed tonight.

Trustee Blaies said Chief Schutzenhofer advised the committee they were busy last week with a residential burglary. Trustee Blaies stated they apprehended the suspects along with assistance from MEGSI.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Blaies stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg informed the committee it looks like COVID is going up in numbers. Trustee Blaies said he thought they had a meeting last Thursday. Mayor Speiser said he did not get the call. He did talk to the Health Department Thursday that was pertaining on the testing they want to do on Thursday here at the village. We will be waiting to hear back on stepping back to Phase-3.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Combined Planning and Zoning Meeting – Tuesday, August 11, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2020 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, August 17, 2020 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – No thank you.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – No thank you.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – He would like to thank Gene for everything he has been doing for us though this COVID-19 and John Tolan and his crew for all of their work.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

Mayor Speiser –

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – The Police Golf Tournament fund raiser is filling up fast just a few spots left if you know of any teams let us hear from them.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – No thank you.

Police Chief Michael (Mike) Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

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, July 20, 2020 at 7:45 p.m. and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk