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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
(Blaies/Carpenter/Kaiser/Meehling)  
Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
Matt Trout

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF  
Michael J. Schutzenhofer

ESDA COORDINATOR  
Eugene Kramer

VILLAGE ENGINEER  
Tim Pruett, P.E.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
William Weidner, P.C.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairperson Mike Blaies, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Lisa Meehling (5:33 p.m.), Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Dana Miller, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett (absent), Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

- Approval of March 12, 2025 Minutes: Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the March 12, 2025 minutes, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
- Customer Issues: Head Lineman Shane Krauss said we had a pretty busy month with a lot of storms coming through but we fared pretty well over all. On 3/14, we had a transformer pole go down due to high winds that took out the south circuit. On 3/19, we had an issue at Turkey Hill which affected three customers. On 3/31, we had to kill the feed because of the fire at Dairy Queen. On 4/14, we had a city-wide outage which was an Ameren issue. We still haven't received a reason from Ameren. We generated for a little over an hour. Today, an excavator hit a secondary line. They weren't from Freeburg and were complimentary on our response time.
- IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Public Works Director John Tolan said Professional Metal Works is applying but per IMEA, the money is for retrofitting not new construction. Shane added that he has been working on getting a quote for them on a new transformer. We did get approved for the LED lighting for our buildings and plans to work on that during down times.

Shane said he has been working on a budgetary quote for the Murphy Development.

## B. NEW BUSINESS:

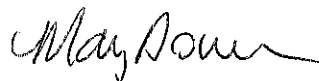
Shane said we just wrapped up the annual emission report and annual compliance certification. Our air permit is out for public notice. He talked about the breaker, the one that controls the main transformer at the south sub, and said he will get numbers so it can get approved to have it ready to go in the fall when their load is low.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet thanked all the lineman for all they do.



**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to adjourn at 5:48 p.m. and Trustee Tom Carpenter seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Downen".

Mary Downen  
Office Manager