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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING Wednesday, January 21, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday January 21, 2014 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGINANCE: Those present and the Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – here; Trustee Dean Pruett. – here; Trustee Steve Smith – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. - here; Trustee Matt Trout – here; Trustee Mike Blaies – 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 for approval from the Regular Board meeting Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, January 8, 2014 and Trustee Matt Trout seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser stated we do have a report from Gene our ESDA Coordinator in our packet. If you have any questions please contact Gene.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

EXHIBIT B:

REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE: Mayor Speiser said next we have our Zoning Administrator's Report.

Zoning Administrator Henning said there are a couple of changes on the Ernest building. The building was coming down tomorrow. But we got a call from the EPA about asking about asbestos in the building. We have postponed the tear down until EPA checks for asbestos and they will have a person to oversee the tear down of the building.

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1. Trustee Smith asked on the property at 924 Promatory Pines on the building permit. He said on the report it says final inspection by May 31, 2014. What happens with all the past extension he had? Gary said he called him and met with him and he told Gary he had met every year with the county and asked if he needed to be doing anything more. Gary said he paid the taxes every one of those years. Gary said the county told him all he needed to do was paid the taxes and did not have to do anything else. The gentleman said he recorded everything from the county. Gary said we need to record that he said it will be done by May 31, 2014. Gary called the county and they said everything was fine with them.

2. Trustee Smith asked about 600 N. Main- zoned SR- where Tractor-Trailer Bed is parked in back-side yard. This was supposed to be moved by January 2, 2014. Gary said he talked to the owner Mr. Fischer and he said the ground is to damp to move it without causing ruts and maybe getting stuck. Gary said we are allowing him some more time due to the weather. Gary said he will follow up with Mr. Fischer and make sure the job gets done.

EXHIBIT C:

REPORTS AND CORESPONDENCE:

Mayor Speiser stated we have Rhutasel & Associates Invoice #10 in the amount of \$1,836.88 for Safe Routes to School.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to approve Rhutasel & Associates; Invoice #9 in the amount of \$1,836.88 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

EXHIBIT D:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the Plan Commission Recommendation from January 9, 2014 meeting.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

7:43 P.M.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and Personnel 5 ILCS, 120/2 – (c)(1) and Trustee Matt Trout seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies.- aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED

8:09 P.M.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 8:11 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

Mayor Speiser stated in our Executive Session meeting we were only allowed to discuss Personnel 5 ILCS, 120/2 – (c)(1). We cannot discuss the Plan Commission Recommendation behind closed doors. Mayor Speiser said we will be discussing this in public. Mayor Speiser asked our Village Attorney Manion to explain the Plan Commission Recommendation to the board.

After a discussion and questions the following motions were made.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to accept two-family dwelling as a special use in an SR-1 district with the condition that the building existed or was occupied prior to the establishment of the zoning code in 1969 and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. .

ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – nay; (5 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent). 5 ayes and 1 nay, motion carried.

*Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to decline a two-family dwelling and also a multi-family dwelling as a special use in an SR-1 district with the condition that the building existed or was occupied prior to the establishment of the zoning code in 1969 and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.*

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Speiser stated the possibility of hiring of two full-time Police Officers.

*Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to hire Joe Boeving and Mike Flake as Full-time Police Officers for the Village of Freeburg Police Department, depending upon their test results and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. . **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Ramon Matchett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Matt Trout. – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.*

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT:

Mayor Speiser stated we held a Committee As A Whole Wednesday, January 8, 2014 and the minutes are unavailable.

EXHIBIT E:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mike Blaies called the meeting of the Electric Committee Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2014.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Wiegmann's project: Trustee Blaies said this project had to be put on hold due to the bad weather and should start back up shortly.
2. Shed: Trustee Blaies said Shane is still working with the contractor on the heating. We are working on the overhead doors.
3. Risk assessment conducted by insurance company: Trustee Blaies said Shane stated they will start performing the assessments this month. Shane said it is more recording keeping and documenting that the assessments were done.

Trustee Blaies said we had a problem with one of the transformer at the north sub having a bushing leak. Trustee Blaies said Shane said it will take about three weeks to get the bushing in.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. IMUA Scholarship Program: Trustee Blaies said the IMUA offers this scholarship program every year and we have not advertised it in the past. Trustee Blaies said we will pass on this information to the schools.

Trustee Smith asked if the Rate Study could be done as a Committee As A Whole meeting. Mayor Speiser said yes; we will schedule a date for this meeting.

EXHIBIT F:

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

Trustee Dean Pruett called the meeting of Public Works Committee Meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2014.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer Project: Trustee Pruett said that Fred Helms agreed to an easement and we will get together shortly to discuss this before he puts his crops in for the season.

2. Sewer issues: Trustee Pruett said the weather is holding everything up on this issue. Trustee Pruett said that John is going to put some dye tablets in Mr. Fischer's aerator and see where it comes out.

3. Water main extension along Rentchler Road: Trustee Pruett said this project is moving forward.

4. Narrow banding Requirements: Trustee Pruett said this project has been completed and it is finished.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Pruett said there was a water main break at Belleville and West Apple on IDOT's portion of the property. Trustee Pruett said John is talking to the county about this issue.

Trustee Pruett said John reported that SAVE water tower is leaking in three places. Trustee Pruett said John contacted the company who installed it and they are scheduled to come out on January 27th.

EXHIBIT G:

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

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge called the meeting of the Public Property Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2014.

The following items were talked about or discussed under:

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Safe Routes to School : Trustee Niebruegge said we took care of this earlier on the agenda.

2. Shady Lane Dispute: Trustee Niebruegge stated we are moving forward on this.

3. Street banners: Trustee Niebruegge stated Sheila Gallagher is going to take over selling ad banners to the businesses. Trustee Niebruegge said this may be something the Chamber takes over completely.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

POOL:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Lifeguard applications: Trustee Niebruegge said we placed the advertisement for hire of lifeguards in Tribune this week. Trustee Niebruegge said the pool manager Scott was present to discuss the water acclimation lessons and said if we hold those during the evening hours; it will cut into the available pool party times. He said he would rather have one 2-week session in June and then offer 7 Saturday dates and committee agreed to that. Trustee Niebruegge said we are checking with Millstadt and Mascoutah to see what their pool fees are. She said we will set the admission prices. We will determine wages, and hire lifeguards and managers at the next month's committee meeting.

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Trustee Smith asked have we heard anything from Rhutasel about the last Safe to School Routes project have they submitted it. Tony said there are some issues on Main Street, we will get this worked out.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 29, 2014 – 4:45 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 29, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 29, 2014 – 6:15 p.m.

Committee As A Whole Meeting – Monday, February 3, 2014 – 5:45 p.m.

Economic Development Committee Meeting – Monday, February 3, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, February 3, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – She said she appreciates all the hard work the Public Works Department and the Police Department has been doing.

Trustee Steve Smith – He said he seconded what Elizabeth said . He appreciated everything they did.

Trustee Matt Trout - He would like to welcome the two new cops as long as they pass their tests, so welcome Joe and Mike.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee Mike Blaies – No thank you.

Trustee Ramon Matchett – He would like to thank Police Department and Public Works Department for all the good work they have been doing.

Trustee Dean Pruett – He said same here.

Mayor Seth Speiser –

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg

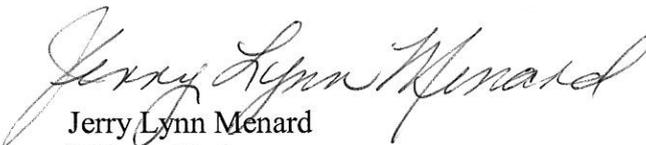
Public Works Director John Tolan: - No thank you.

Zoning Administrator Gary Henning - No thank you.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk