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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING **Monday, March 16, 2015 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 Monday, March 16, 2015 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Mike Blaies – here; Trustee Dean Pruett – here; Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – here; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; Trustee Steve Smith – here (by phone); Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (5 present, 1 present by phone, 1 absent). Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to amend the agenda to hear the Proclamation for Freeburg High School Varsity Cheerleaders Team and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting yea, motion carried.

Mayor Speiser stated before he reads the Proclamation he would like to high light some of the Freeburg High School Varsity Cheerleaders Team accompaniments on the field as well as off the field. Mayor Speiser presented the Freeburg High School Varsity Cheerleaders with the Proclamation.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes for approval from the Regular Board meeting Monday, March 2, 2015 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 2, 2015 with corrections and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Attorney Manion said he would like to go into Executive Session to Discuss Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11) now or later.

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ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser said everyone should have ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramers report in front of them. If you should have any questions or concerns please call Gene. Mayor Speiser said the Spot Training is going to be on Wednesday, March 18th at SWIC at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT B:

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Mayor Speiser asked is there any questions for Zoning Administrator Henning.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS: (See under Ordinances).

EXHIBIT D:

BIDS: Mayor Speiser stated we have the Public Works Shed Roof Replacement Bids.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to accept Justin Wakefield's Bid for the Public Works Shed Roof Replacement and for it not to exceed \$10,000 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Mayor Speiser stated we have Rhutasel to Bid Sewer Project.

Trustee Dean Pruett motioned to authorize Rhutasel to Bid Sewer Project and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

EXHIBIT E:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser said we have Resolution #15-04. A Resolution for Improvement by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to adopt Resolution #15-04 by title only and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser said we have Resolution #15-05. A Resolution Authorizing the Village of Freeburg, Illinois to apply for Program Year 2015 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to adopt Resolution #15-05 by title only and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent) All voting aye, motion carried.

ORDINANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT:

EXHIBIT F:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mike Blaies called the meeting of Electric Committee to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2015.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Surplus Temporary Service Equipment: Trustee Blaies said Shane is posting items on the Ibid system daily up at Springfield.
2. Net Metering and Geothermal Program: We talked about the IMEA Grant Program for energy savings. We are going to use our portion for the blowers at the treatment plant.
3. Charter Pole Agreement: Still waiting on AT&T.
4. New Bucket Truck: The new bucket truck is here. It is stocked and ready to go.
5. Altorfer Service Agreement: Shane is working with Altorfer on the service agreement.

NEW BUSINESS:

We discussed some issues on how to help landlords in town on renters who skip out on leaving unpaid utilities bills. Trustee Blaies said he would like to make a motion at this time.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to approve any full-time Freeburg employee's' who would like to donate some of their sick hours to Freeburg employee Jesse Carlton to be with his son who is sick. ROLL CALL: Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Blaies said we are going to hold our next Electric meeting next month at the new shed and this will give us a chance to look at the new bucket truck. Also we will move it to the last meeting of the night it will start at 6:30 instead of 5:30 p.m.

EXHIBIT G:

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

Trustee Dean Pruett called the meeting of Public Works Committee to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2015.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer project: Trustee Pruett said we talked about the north sewer project it is moving forward. We did cut the check for the easements for the Helms property. Our next step is to get the railroad permit.
2. Sewer issues: Trustee Pruett stated the bills totaled \$51,000 for the collapsed line at the west plant.
3. Countryside Lane annexations: We are waiting on Belleville.
4. Water Tower Painting: We will move forward on this project as long as the weather permits us to.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT H:

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

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge called the Public Property Committee Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2015.

The following items were talked about or discussed under:

POOL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Raise for Pool Managers: Trustee Niebruegge said we talked a raise for the pool managers. *Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned the pool managers receive a 2.5% raise, the following pool managers will receive Scott Schulz \$4,875, Darren Pierce \$3,533 and Jillian Rouse \$3,498 for the 2015 pool season and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

Trustee Niebruegge said we normally budget \$25,000 each year in pool upgrades. There will be a storm shelter which will include picnic tables, bike racks and some other pieces, such as pool cover and some work that needs to be done in the pool house.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Drainage Problem areas/Southgate Drive/Countryside Lane: Trustee Niebruegge said John said we put a lot of culverts in and will continue to do so.

2. Village Park Gazebo: We need to put a concrete path up to the entrance of the Gazebo.

3. DECO Sidewalk Grant: We need to move forward with this as we only have a year to spend the money. We have an application notifying the community so they can take an advantage of some of the grant money to improve their sidewalks. Our residents have two options. They can do a sidewalk replacement or a sidewalk repair.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to approve the sidewalk replacement and repair application for the community and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Steve Smith – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Matt Trout – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

1. Deer Crossings Signs on Countryside Lane: Trustee Niebruegge said Chief Donald said there has to be a certain number of accidents before a sign can be put up.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Niebruegge stated we just went over the bids for the shed roof replacement and we approved that. We discuss the needs for a new roof for SAVE. We also took care of that on the agenda tonight.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 25, 2015 – 5:00 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 25, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 25, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Board of Appeals Hearing – Thursday, March 26, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF GOOD FRIDAY – Friday, April 3, 2015

Park Action Committee Meeting – Monday, April 6, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, April 6, 2015 – 7:30 p.m.

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

7:50 P.M.

Trustee Dean Pruett motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11) and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED

7:58 P.M.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to reconvene the Regular Board Meeting at 7:59 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge – Congratulations to the Cheerleaders. And it great to see so such support from the community for Team Bryce.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Mayor Speiser – Seth said he and John went to Washington for the APPA Rally for electric. They learned more about coal burning electrical plants then he ever knew that was possible. It was an eye opening what they are trying to do to keep our coal power plants running in this area. He would like to congratulate the cheerleaders on going to state. And our prays and thoughts go out to Jesse and his family.

Trustee Mike Blaies – The same thing congratulations to the cheerleaders. He appreciates all the public works employees' who are giving up some of their sick days so Jesse can be able to be with his family at their time of need.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Same here.

Trustee Dean Pruett – Same here.

Trustee Steve Smith – He would like to congratulate the cheerleaders and he would like to thank the employees who donate some of their sick days to Jesse. He hopes the best for Bryce. Also he would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.

Village Attorney Brian Manion – No thank you

Village Public Work Director – He talked to Jesse last night and they were able to shrink the tumor 20%. Bryce was having Kimmo today and in two weeks he will be home. Jesse hopes to be back at work in two weeks from now. His son will have Kimmo every other week. Thanks to the village board for all they have donated. Jesse was almost in tears from the card that was made and Mike went over and presented Bryce with a Superman figure. Which is Bryce's favorite super hero.

Village Zoning Administrator Gary Henning – No thank you.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:02p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk