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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING Monday, November 19, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. Board Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ray Danford called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, November 19, 2012 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Seth Speiser - here; Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. - here ; Trustee Mike Blaies - here; Trustee Rita Baker - here; Trustee Steve Smith - here; Trustee Charlie Mattern - here; Mayor Ray Danford - here; (7 present, 0 absent). Mayor Ray Danford announced there is a quorum.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Exhibit A:

Mayor Danford said we have minutes for approval from Monday, November 5, 2012.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the minutes of Monday, November 5, 2012 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

Exhibit B:

FINANCE: Trustee Smith gave his Finance Committee Report.

1. Income Statement: Trustee Smith verified with Village Administrator Herzing that the income tax is still about 3 months behind. Village Administrator Herzing said yes.

2. 3 to 5 – year plan: Trustee Smith said the committee talked about the 3 to 5 – year plan.

3. FY2012 Audit: Trustee Smith said we talked about the balance in the general fund; we have a surplus of approximately \$574,000. We talked about transferring money to the pool to help with the deficiency in the pool fund.

4. Tax Levy: Trustee Smith said we talked about the tax levy, since we have a surplus in the general fund if we should take the 4.9% tax levy or leave it the way it is.

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Cause with the pool bond issue we did increase taxes from 32¢ to 40¢. Trustee Smith said we need to decide tonight with the tax levy if we are going to leave it the same or if we are going to do the 4.9% increase, which will be about \$14,000 increase over all. Trustee Smith asked if anyone has any comments on what they would like to do. Trustee Speiser said he thinks we should leave it the same since we have a surplus.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to leave the tax levy the same for the fiscal year 2012 - 2013 and Trustee Seth Speiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Seth Speiser - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern - aye; Trustee Mike Blaies - aye; Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain, 0 absent), with 6 voting aye, the motion carried.

Trustee Smith said he has one more thing the approval of the FY2012 Audit. Everyone should have a copy of it in their packet. Trustee Smith asked is there any questions or comments.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to accept the FY 2012 audit and Trustee Rita Baker seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT C:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bryan Vogel took the floor stating you have three Treasurer's Report in your packet for this evening meeting for approval; April 30, 2012, May 31, 2012 and June 30, 2012.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report for April, May and June of 2012 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Mike Blaies - aye; Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. - aye; Trustee Seth Speiser - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain, 0 absent), with 6 voting aye, the motion carried.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

ESDA Report: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mayor Danford called for Public Participation.

Several citizens came to voice their opinion on the following:

1. Theresa Scott addressed her concerns on the speed limit sign coming off route 15 to have it changed from 35 to 20 miles speed limit. There are no sidewalks which people have to walk on the street which is dangerous. She would also like to see a sight impaired sign put up at 30 Southgate Drive. Theresa said the reason for this sign her husband is sight impaired and has to cross the street to the mail box. She would also like to see a no parking sign where it curves on that street. Theresa said when cars are parked on that curve you cannot see if another vehicle is coming around the curve or a child riding a bike. Theresa asked what the procedure from here is. Mayor Danford said it will go to committee to be discussed about the safety issues of it.

2. Jim, Kim Fernandez, David Masters, Theresa Scott, Dave Self and John Blomenkamp voiced their opinions about the reputation of the Village of Freeburg.

Trustee Speiser asked to take the floor.

*Trustee Seth Speiser motioned to check with our attorney Brian Manion that we don't have a legal problem with the way that we handled the disciplinary action on the Stan Ruhmanns issue and Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Seth Speiser - aye; Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. - aye; Trustee Mike Blaies - aye; Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern - aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstain, 0 absent), with 6 voting aye, the motion carried.*

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: None.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASE, AGREEMENTS, ANNEXATIONS: None.

EXHIBIT D:

BIDS: Mayor Danford stated next on the agenda we have Exhibit D, Ragland Bid Summary for the work shed. There was a discussion held before voting upon the bid for the work shed.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to accept Ragland Bid on the Public Work Shed and not to exceed \$165,000 and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Rita Baker - aye; Trustee Steve Smith - aye; Trustee Charlie Mattern - aye; Trustee Mike Blaies - aye; Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr. - aye; Trustee Seth Speiser - nay; (5 ayes, 1 nays, 0 abstain, 0 absent) with 5 voting aye, the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT F:

Economic Development Committee Meeting: Trustee Smith called the Economic Development meeting to order on Monday, November 5, 2012 at 7:15 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Smith said we talked about the Christmas tree that has been replaced by Nolla, but we do have to pay for the cost of planting it. Trustee Smith said we collected \$369 in donations this year and last year was \$357 for the lights.

Trustee Smith said we did receive from the Freeburg Women's Club a donation of \$25 to go toward the Lights in the Park. We talked about putting lights on the small trees in the park along the sidewalk. Trustee Smith announced the lighting event will be December 2 at 6:00 p.m.

EXHIBIT G:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting: Trustee Speiser called the Legal/Ordinance meeting to order on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

1. **101 E. Hill:** Trustee Speiser said most of the meeting we focused on the property at 101 E. Hill Street.

Exhibit H:

Electric Committee Meeting Trustee Mike Blaies called the Electric Committee meeting to order on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **Arc Flash Study:** Trustee Blaies said we talked about the Arc Flash Study and it is moving right along and just about finished.

2. **Wiegmann's/Grade School project:** Trustee Blaies said we are still gathering material on that.

3. **Charter Agreement:** Trustee Blaies stated we are still working out some details on the right-of- ways.

4. **Shed:** Trustee Blaies said we spent most of the meeting discussing the bid on the shed.

5. **IMEA Annual Meeting:** Trustee Blaies we talked about attending the IMEA Annual meeting which coming up.

Exhibit G:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting: Trustee Baker called the Personnel/ Police Committee meeting to order on Wednesday, November 14, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Building** Trustee Baker said we talked about adding on to the Freeburg Municipal Center Building to make more storage space. So far there hasn't been any movement toward this.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Park-time officers:** Trustee Baker said that Chief Woodruff reported the part-time officers are starting to fill in on the regular shifts.

2. **Executive Session:** Trustee Baker said we went into executive session.

PERSONNEL:
OLD BUSINESS:

1. Job Descriptions: Trustee Baker said we talked about job descriptions for Dennis' and John's job and for the ESDA Manager.

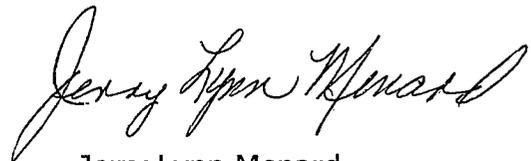
UPCOMING MEETING:

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Tuesday, November 20, 2012 – 4:30 p.m.
Streets Committee Meeting – Tuesday, November 20, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.
Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 28, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.
Economic Development Committee Meeting - Wednesday, November 28, 2012 – 6:15 p.m.
Board Meeting - Monday, December 3, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS:

Trustee Charlie Mattern: No thank you.
Trustee Steve Smith said he would like to commend Office Dahm for the drug bust on his traffic stop. And he would like to invite everyone to attend the Lighting of the Lights in the Park on December 2 at 6:00 p.m.
Trustee Rita Baker: No thank you.
Village Clerk Jerry Menard: No thank you.
Trustee Mike Blaies: No thank you.
Trustee Raymond Matchett, Jr.: No thank you.
Trustee Seth Speiser: No thank you.
Staff Comments: None.

ADJOURN: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk