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Meeting ID 447 872 7673

Join URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4478727673>

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October 9, 2023

NOTICE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE Trash/Water/Sewer (Kaiser/Blaies/Heap/Meehling)

A Public Works Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, on **Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 5:45 p.m.**

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

- I. Items to be Reviewed
 - A. Old Business
 1. Approval of September 13, 2023 Minutes
 2. New Sewer Plant
 3. Sewer Issues
 4. FSH Minutes
 5. Water System Study – TWM Project Update; TWM Invoice #81460 in the amount of \$1,400.00 and TWM Invoice #81461 in the amount of \$2,200.00
 - B. New Business
 - C. General Concerns
 - D. Public Participation
 - E. Adjourn

At said Committee Meeting, the Village Board of Trustees may vote on whether or not to hold an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation, [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(11)]; the selection of a person to fill a public office [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (3)] personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (1)]; real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (5)]; or collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)]

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Kaiser/Blaies/Heap/Meehling) Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:55 p.m., on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Interim Village Administrator Matt Trout, Treasurer Bryan Vogel, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins and Office Manager Julie Polson (absent). Guests present: Janet Baechle and Tim Pruett. There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of August 16, 2023 minutes: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the August 16, 2023 minutes, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan: Public Works Director John Tolan stated the punch list meeting with Burns & McDonnell was very thorough. He and Matt received the punch list yesterday with 286 items on it. John said this was needed as it gives everyone involved a list of the items that need to be addressed. Village Administrator Matt Trout said there are substantial items on that list like the HVAC system for the admin building. John said they are still operating manually but hopes the punch list will get us closer to operating automatically. He also advised we have run into some issues. The influent screen was working for 3 – 4 weeks and has since quit. Adam has been talking to the manufacturer on getting that fixed. The admin floors are being installed. Matt said we will be looking to extend the completion date because of the lead times.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of Haier Plumbing & Heating Pay Request #21 in the amount of \$215,592.20, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

3. Sewer issues: None.
4. FSH Minutes: John advised we switched over the Gass property and installed a fire hydrant there. We also relocated a fire hydrant in Saturn Terrace to a better location. SLM has switched over to free chlorine residual, and we have started flushing hydrants.
5. Water System Study – TWM Invoices #80868 in the amount of \$5,000.00 and Invoice #80869 in the amount of \$6,000.00: Matt advised he and John talked with Scott this week about how we want to see more interaction and confirmation from IEPA that we are moving in the right direction before TWM continues any design work for anything that we aren't on the list for or awarded. Scott received confirmation from Chad at IEPA that we are moving in

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Wednesday, September 13, 2023
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the right direction. Matt and John advised TWM there are some items that need to be addressed before we can move forward. John said we told TWM that we need it documented in writing from IEPA that Freeburg has done everything they need to in order to be eligible for IEPA's January funding. Matt advised it is not a guarantee but we have done everything we can.

Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of TWM Invoice #80868 in the amount of \$5,000.00 and Invoice #80869 in the amount of \$6,000.00, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Water Rate Increase: Matt provided everyone with the updated Illinois Rural Water study which was very similar to their initial study as well as surrounding communities' rates. Some of the communities are close while others charge a substantial monthly meter charge and then a lower water charge. Matt said we are on the higher end of the smaller communities list but where we need to go. Matt said the original spreadsheet with the 5 – 10 year plan stayed the same. He advised Illinois Rural came in at a minimum charge of \$9.02 and \$11.00 for the second 1,000. Matt's original projection was \$10.75 and \$10.34 respectively. John said TWM feels comfortable with the projected rate increases covering the loan projects. He further said the 10-year plan has the loan repayment built into the rates. He commented there are a lot of unknowns with that, and also said that with an IEPA loan, we are going to have to show that we can pay that back. Mayor Speiser said we are just pushing this down the road if we don't do something now. At the current rate billed in the water fund, Illinois Rural Water shows a deficit of \$217,765.82. Matt believes the long-term plan is the better option so we don't have to come back and raise rates again in the near future. John said the funding is there now to replace the lead services in the older part of town. Trustee Carpenter is not in favor of going that far out and said can revisit the numbers in the future. Tim Pruett confirmed you will need to project earnings for the next five years to IEPA. Matt confirmed he received an email from TWM who advised they are in agreement with our numbers. Trustee Meehling commented we don't know what the cost of the projects will be 5 – 6 years out. Her concern is we could be underestimating those costs, and Matt stated that has been his concern as well. He thinks a 3-year rate increase is realistic and should include the 2% yearly increase after that with the knowledge that we will need to revisit it at that time. John said this would show the IEPA that we can cover the first phase of the water project. Matt said with this rate structure, it will build our reserves to almost \$450,000 in three years. The committee agreed on the 3-year increase with 2% yearly increase after that. We will have a proposed ordinance at the next Finance committee meeting.

John received the THM samples back and they were very good results. Eric and Trevor are flushing and performing maintenance on the hydrants. Lead inventory letters are going back out. He attended the IEPA conference today, and 75% of it was on lead inventory and replacement. We will continue to work to have something ready in order to try to receive funds to replace them.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m., and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,
Office Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER. The meeting of F.S.H. Water Commission was called to order by President Kenneth Vielweber in the Village of Freeburg at 7:30 PM with the following present: Ken Vielweber, Gary Wittenauer, John Tolan, Chad Rhutasel, Larry Rhutasel, & Bryan Vogel.

2. MINUTES. Gary Wittenauer motioned and John Tolan seconded to approve the July 25th minutes. Motion carried. (3-0).

3. SEPTEMBER MEETING AND HEARING DATE. Next meeting and hearing date will be September 26th, 7:30 PM.

4. GUESTS. None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS.

- A. August 16th S.L.M. minutes were not available.
- B. .
- C.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT. Treasurer's report, claims and bills for August were presented. F.S.H. received two billings from Core & Main. It was determined one of the bills is for the Village of Freeburg. Motion to approve the bills and reports as presented was made by John Tolan and seconded by Gary Wittenauer. Motion carried by roll call vote. (3-0).

7. INVESTMENTS. Investments as of August 22, 2023 are as follows:

Bank	Amount	Rate	Term	Maturity	Payments	Cert. #
Citizens Bank	\$250,000.00	2.15%	84 MO	09/10/24	Quarterly	11977641
Citizens Bank	\$255,651.65	3.00%	47MO	08/25/26	Quarterly	55737420
Citizens Bank	\$150,000.00	2.20%	84 MO	10/17/23	Monthly	11977639
Citizens Bank	\$100,000.00	2.15%	84 MO	08/06/24	Monthly	11977640
Citizens Bank	\$103,033.92	3.00%	47MO	07/09/26	Quarterly	55737418
Citizens Bank	\$103,033.92	3.00%	47 MO	07/09/26	Quarterly	55737419
Citizens Bank	\$300,000.00	3.25%	120 MO	09/26/28	Quarterly	55737416
Citizens Bank	\$200,000.00	2.65%	60 MO	07/29/24	Quarterly	55737417
Citizens Bank	\$206,043.43	4.00%	24 MO	00/00/24	Quarterly	55737422
Citizens Bank	\$200,000.00	5.00%	07 MO	02/00/23	Quarterly	55737423
Money Market	\$193,719.81	0.35%	N/A		Monthly	11977602

8. ENGINEER'S REPORT.

- A. Pending water tank inspections were discussed. Hecker tower will be done by remote August 31st. F.S.H. and Freeburg will inspected in September or October.
- B.

9. HYDRO SERVICES, INC.

- A. Chad reported S.L.M. will be switching to free chlorine the day after Labor Day.
- B. Mowing and clearing of F.S.H. right of way through the woods in progress.
- C. Currently having an issue with keeping Freeburg's water tanks full. It appears to be a faulty valve on Freeburg's side.
- D. Trustee Vielweber inquired as to the status of the resolution of S.L.M.'s water intake from the Kaskaskia River. Chad noted he is unsure of the progress.
- E. .
- F. .

10. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS.

- A. Vielweber: Nothing.
- B. Boeving: Absent.
- C. Tolan: Nothing.
- D. Wittenauer: Nothing.

11. ADJOURN. Gary Wittenauer motioned and John Tolan seconded to adjourn at 7:44PM; motion carried (3-0). The meeting was adjourned until September 26th, 7:30 PM.

Chairman - Ken Vielweber

Clerk - Bryan A. Vogel

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Mathew Trout
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September 30, 2023
Project No: E39230314
Invoice No: 81460

Project E39230314 Freeburg - SAVE Site Elevated Water Storage Tank
Consulting Services from August 21, 2023 to September 13, 2023

Fee			
Total Fee	95,500.00		
Percent Complete	10.0524	Total Earned	9,600.00
		Previous Fee Billing	8,200.00
		Current Fee Billing	1,400.00
		Total Fee	1,400.00
		Total this Invoice	\$1,400.00

Please Remit Payment to: Thouvenot, Wade, and Moerchen Inc.- 4940 Old Collinsville Road - Swansea IL 62226 - TWM Reserves the Option to charge 1 1/2% (18% annual) against accounts more than 30 days past due. - Please return a copy of this invoice with payment. - Telephone 618.624.4488 - Fax 618.624.6688

Billing Backup

Monday, October 2, 2023

Thouvenot, Wade, and Moerchen Inc.

Invoice 81460 Dated 9/30/2023

8:06:12 AM

Project	E39230314	Freeburg - SAVE Site Elevated Water Storage Tank
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Professional Personnel

			Hours
Project Engineer II			
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/21/2023	1.00
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/22/2023	1.50
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/23/2023	2.00
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/28/2023	1.00
	EPA funding information		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/31/2023	.50
	EPA funding information		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/1/2023	.50
	IEPA Loan application		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/5/2023	1.00
	Invoice information for Julie		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/12/2023	1.00
	Follow up with IEPA		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/13/2023	1.00
	Review of user charge for Matt		
	Totals		9.50

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Village of Freeburg, IL
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September 30, 2023
Project No: E39230313
Invoice No: 81461

Project E39230313 Freeburg - Phase 2 Water Main Upgrades
Consulting Services from August 21, 2023 to September 13, 2023

Fee			
Total Fee	198,500.00		
Percent Complete	6.398	Total Earned	12,700.00
		Previous Fee Billing	10,500.00
		Current Fee Billing	2,200.00
		Total Fee	2,200.00
		Total this invoice	\$2,200.00

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Monday, October 2, 2023

Thouvenot, Wade, and Moerchen Inc.

Invoice 81461 Dated 9/30/2023

8:08:01 AM

Project E39230313 Freeburg - Phase 2 Water Main Upgrades

Professional Personnel

			Hours
Project Engineer II			
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/21/2023	4.00
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/22/2023	2.00
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/23/2023	2.00
	Updating user charge system		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/28/2023	1.00
	EPA funding information		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	8/31/2023	.50
	EPA funding information		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/1/2023	.50
	IEPA Loan application		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/5/2023	1.50
	Correspondence with John regarding water main locations, invoice information for Julie		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/11/2023	.50
	Follow up with Matt about loan questions		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/12/2023	1.50
	Phone call with Matt and John, follow up with IEPA		
SJS	1210 - Simmons, Scott	9/13/2023	1.00
	Review of user charge for Matt		
	Totals		14.50