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ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
Matt Trout

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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, November 15, 2021, in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room. Presentation of the meeting was also conducted by Zoom video conferencing. Village Hall was open to the public.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent) Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling present by Zoom video conferencing.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, November 1, 2021, for approval.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, November 1, 2021 and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT B:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser called upon ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer for his ESDA Report for November 15, 2021. Gene updated us on his ESDA Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

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REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT C:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S: Mayor Speiser asked if anyone has any questions for Zoning Administrator Matt Trout on his Zoning Report for November 15, 2021. Zoning Administrator Matt said he email everyone announcing the Country Marts Christmas Party to be held on Saturday, December 4, time will be 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. the cost of the tickets is \$10.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1725, Tax Levy Ordinance for the Village of Freeburg, Illinois.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1725 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT E:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1726, An Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2021 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Electric System Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020B of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1726 by title only and Trustee James (Mike) Blies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1727, An Ordinance Abating the Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Year 2021 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Tax Increment Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020C of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1727 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said job openings have been placed in the paper.

NEW BUSINESS: None

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT G:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies (Chairperson) reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss informed us of a few outages on Adele and Alton. We had an insulator ready to blow, and it was not safe to change. We had a brief outage, which affected 24 homes on the north end of Cherry and Edison. Julie did an emergency call to the residents, and our guys put door hangers on the affected homes.
2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan received an email from IMEA stating they are processing the Professional Metal Work's grant payout.
3. Generator Upgrades: Nothing New.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg informed the committee we have an agent from Traveler's Insurance coming on November 18th at 8:00 a.m., to inspect our properties.

We assisted Mascoutah with the severe weather that went through the area a few weeks ago.

EXHIBIT H/ I/J

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

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser (Chairperson) reported on the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 5:45 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Sewer Plant/ Sewer Loan: Trustee Kaiser said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported Haier is working on building the road to the top of the plant. They will be able to begin once they start to receive materials. Attorney Keck reported on the issue with the survey points. Burns & McDonnell has gone from requiring 450 survey points down to 30-40 critical survey points. Attorney Keck is now dealing with someone else as Jeff was not prepared.

Attorney Keck advised the committee we are out of compliance with the USEPA. He said the whole point of getting the survey done was to show the USEPA we are moving forward with building a new sewer plant. They sent a 26-page consent order requesting information that Attorney Keck said it doesn't make sense to do reports for an old plant that isn't going to be in service. Trustee Kaiser said Attorney Keck had a conference call with them and has sent them a revised consent order.

Trustee Kaiser stated we have a pay request from Haier Plumbing & Heating. At this time, he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to Pay Haier Plumbing & Heating, Inc. 's Pay Request #4 in the amount of \$453,100.84 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

2. Sewer Issues: None.

3. FSH Minutes: Nothing to report.

4. Water System Study: Trustee Kaiser said TWM is working on the IEPA project plan. Once it has been submitted and approved by them, we can move forward with the project.

5. Repair/Replace Sewer Main East and West Apple: Trustee Kaiser said Volkert is out surveying this area.

Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee North Edison lift station was repaired two weeks ago with assistance from Mascoutah and their vector truck.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TWM Invoice #71593 in the amount of \$3,500.00 for Freeburg Cloud GIS: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan said this is for the mapping of our utilities. Trustee Kaiser said at this time he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to Pay TWM Invoice #71593 in the amount of \$3,500.00 and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blais – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan has hooked up several water services on Old Freeburg Road. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout stated the Zimmerman's on Old Freeburg Road and the Jarvis' on Countryside Lane will go before the Combined Planning and Zoning Board. Trevor has hooked up three homes in Edison Estates.

EXHIBIT K:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 6:17 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

POOL:

OLD BUSINESS: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Apple Street Proposed Repair: Trustee Matchett said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout advised the committee we still need to work on securing an agreement with the engineer we want to use on this project. We will update this later.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan stated they have been working on a few washouts on Old Fayetteville Road and Cemetery Road. They replaced a 48" culvert across South Potter.
3. Customer Issues: None.
4. MFT: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan said the street sweeping was completed last week and went well.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinances #1725, #1726 and #1727: Trustee Matchett said we had Ordinances 1725, 1726 and 1727, which was all approved earlier on the agenda under Ordinances.

GENERAL CONCERNS: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan reported more sidewalks are in at Edison Estates, and they are working on some concrete street repair on Oakbrook.

Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan said we have been going around picking up some leaves, but the leaf pickup program will officially start November 24th.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Board Meeting – Monday, December 6, 2021 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – No thank you.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – No thank you.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Congratulations to the high school football team, they had a great year.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Congratulations to the high school football team and the cross-country team.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Congratulations to the football team and the cross-country team.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg –

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

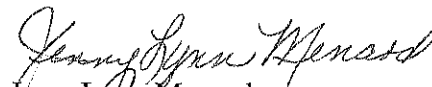
Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – No thank you.

Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – No thank you.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Seth Speiser called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, November 15, 2021 at 7:50 p.m. and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk