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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 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 Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; Present on zoom Village Administrator Tony Funderburg, Chief of Police Mark Schutzenhofer and Public Works Director John Tolan. (7 present, 0 absent) Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, January 3, 2022, for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the Public Hearing minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, January 3, 2021, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE: FINANCE:

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Monday, December 29, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Finance committee meeting.

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Matchett said we reviewed the Board List in our Finance Committee meeting. Trustee Matchett said some items were questioned: Green Mill, SCA, NuDeal Oil; Susan Carpenter. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said this reimbursement was pair because the preventer should never have been installed.

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2. REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS: Trustee Matchett said Treasurer Vogel stated the next batch of cd's coming due will be in March 2022. We will see how the rates are at that time. We will get the first cd off the list as it has been moved into a money market account.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Vogel presented five months of Treasurer's Reports from October, 2020 to February, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices:

2. Newsletter: The next newsletter will be published in March.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-17 in the amount of \$94,581.90: Mayor Speiser said we took care of this invoice at the last board meeting.

EXHIBIT C:

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mayor Speiser stated we have the Treasurer Reports for 10/31/20, 11/30/20, 12/31/20, 1/31/21 and 2/29/21.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to accept the Treasurer Reports for 10/31/20, 11/30/20, 12/31/20, 1/31/21 and 2/29/21 and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion.

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

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Mayor Speiser stated Gene will not be here this evening, he is on a radio conference. If anyone has any questions for Gene on his ESDA Reports, please call him.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT E:

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Speiser asked if anyone has anything for Zoning Administrator Matt Trout.

EXHIBIT F:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS and COMMISSIONS: Mayor Speiser stated in the board packet there is a Memorandum from the Combined Planning and Zoning Board, please read it.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT G:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1735, An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Rezoning Certain Property Commonly Known as the 41 MCMH, LLC Property.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motioned to adopt Ordinance #1735 by title only and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT H:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 at 5:45 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Heap said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported 10 occupancy permits issued, 3 electric, 10wrecking,1 solar, 1 shed, 1 new home at Edison Estates, 1 deck and addition of a dog washing station at the south car wash.
2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estate Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said Public Works Director John Tolan reported they have been checking the manholes in Meadow Pines and they are good.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Heap said Loren Sinn, Butch Kehrer and Debra Kehrer were present at the meeting. Mr. Sinn is wanting the road right-of-way behind his home vacated by the Village. The Kehrer's were present to advise they are not in favor of Mr. Sinn's request. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said he is concerned with the utilities in the immediate area. Tony would like to discuss this with Attorney Fred Keck.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT I:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling

reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 at 6:03 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Meehling said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee there is a program called Lexipol that will provide the most up-to-date law enforcement policy program. Village Administrator Funderburg and Chief Schutzenhofer said when a new law comes out, it will be uploaded to this program right away. Our officers will access the system to update their training. Trustee Meehling said both Tony and Mike are working on the security officer for the high school. This was a request from the high school to put an officer at the site. Mayor Speiser stated they did put an officer in the school he thinks it was yesterday. This officer will not be trained until February 14, 2022.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT J:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies (Chairperson) reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 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 advised the committee a tree fell over last month and took a line down which affected three homes.
2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant:
3. Generator Upgrades: We are still waiting on chips.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Project #22-01 Led Street Lights/IMEA Grant: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss said he has a request to purchase LED street lights through the IMEA Grant.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to purchase of 120 LED lights from Fletcher-Reinhardt at a cost of \$14,400.00, and Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

2. Project #22-02 West Plant Transformer: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss received quotes for the 3-phase pad mount transformer supplying power to the west plant. Solomon is the low bid, but you are receiving a transformer with some used product and not much warranty on them. Mayor Speiser said he believes we need a new transformer if we are building a new plant, and the committee agreed. At this time Trustee Blaies said he would like to make a motion.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to purchase of a WEG 3-phase pad mount transformer at a cost of \$28, 500.00, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

3. Sente Bill 2408: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg would like to review this bill regarding the net metering and solar programs and come back to the committee with a summary of how this will affect the Village and he will suggest what we should do.

EXHIBIT M

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

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser (Chairperson) reported on the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 5:52 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 the project is moving right along. They have backfilled around the influent building, started with the sewer line going into the influent building, have the administration building floor ready to pour. The administration building will be poured Friday, and pouring half of the aeration basin #2 flooring tomorrow. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout stated everything Haier has done has been top notch, and they are very easy to work with. Public Works Director John Tolan said their construction site is very neat and clean.

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 #6 in the amount of \$706,495.97 and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – 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.**

2. Sewer Issues: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan reported a few issues, but both turned out to be clogs in the customers sewer laterals.

3. FSH Minutes: Nothing to report.

4. Water System Study: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan received an email from Chris Bergman advising he will submit the project plan to EPA by the end of this week.

5. Repair/Replace Sewer Main East and West Apple: Public Works Director John Tolan spoke with Tim Pruett regarding this project, and he should have the plans done by the end of the week. There are a couple different options on the manhole. We can line the manhole, or use a cement sealer which is a little easier than lining it. Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan is going to take a look at the process next week.

Trustee Kaiser stated Attorney Keck advised we will see a consent order from the USEPA at the first board meeting in March. They are agreeable with the information we provided to them, and moving forward, we will provide current monthly reports.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan applied for a boring permit on Kimmle property. He is dealing with several issues at the old sewer plant- replaced the chlorine injector, decanter, sludge hauled to Belleville, and the air header. In order to keep costs at a minimum, our guys are repairing the issues. Public Works Director John Tolan has completed six well separation inspections for the Old Freeburg Road residents. Mr. Zimmerman has been hooked up. Our new employees started and John is very impressed. The leaf pickup program has ended, and we will do a cleanup around March. Public Works Director John Tolan stated he is hoping to receive one of the new vehicles in late February.

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, January 12, 2022 at 6:10 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

POOL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Matchett said we had three requests for donation; FCHS for the Dinner Dance/Silent Auction; FCHS for the Post Prom and FCHS for the Music Boosters Trivia Night. The committee agreed a 10-day pool pass to each event. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee will need to work on the baby pool floor. Public Works Director John Tolan will have Heintz Pool work on that for us. He is going to have Freeburg Autobody look at the slide railings to see if they can take care of the rough spots.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Apple Street Proposed Repair: Village Administrator Tony Funderburg has met with the engineering firm and will check to see if we have received anything back from them.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan stated they finished the work on N. Dewey, and cleaned up the gutter on W. White. We are working on Hill Mine Road.
3. Customer Issues: We continue to work on culverts, ditches and alleys.
4. MFT: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan confirmed TWM will do our MFT. IDOT is auditing last year's MFT and looking at the cold patch. Public Works Director John Tolan stated they need a letter explaining what was done.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Treasurer's Reports for 10/31/20, 11/30/20, 12/31/20, 1/31/2021 and 2/29/21: Trustee Matchett said we took care of this earlier on the agenda.
2. School Resource Officer: Trustee Matchett said Mayor Speiser updated us on this.

GENERAL CONCERNS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.
Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – 5:45 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, February 7, 2022 – 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 –
Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – No thank you.
Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.
Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.
Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.
Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – No thank you.
Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

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

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Tuesday, January 18, 2022 at 7:49 p.m. and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk