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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021 @ 7:30 P.M.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
Tony Funderburg

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF
Michael J. Schutzenhofer

ESDA COORDINATOR
Eugene Kramer

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
Matt Trout

VILLAGE ATTORNEY
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, February 1, 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 Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent)
Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes from the previous Regular Board Meeting Monday, January 19, 2021 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2021, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE:

Trustee (Chairperson) Denise Albers reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we did reviewed the Board List in our Finance Committee meeting.
- 2. REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said we do not have any investments due in the near future. We will continue to monitor the Market.
- 3. INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers stated we are pretty much on or below budget. We are low in the revenue funds, this will continue into the future.

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TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Albers stated Treasurer Bryan Vogel advised the committee he will provide the remaining treasurer's reports to us as soon as possible.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said we reviewed the attorney's invoice.
2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said we are working on the Newsletter for the next quarter, but there is not much going on town.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TWM Invoice #68045 in the amount of \$7,051.75: Trustee Albers said we reviewed TWM invoice. Trustee Albers said at this time she would like to make a motion.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to pay TWM Invoice #68045 in the amount of \$7,051.75 and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

2. Weilmuenster, Keck & Brown, P.C. Professional Service Rate: Trustee Albers said Attorney Fred Keck said our rate for professional service will not increase this year.

3. Surplus Materials from 2 N. Railroad: Trustee Albers said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee they have removed the furnace and air conditioner from 2 North Railroad property. This is the building we are going to tear down. Public Works Director John Tolan said he would like to table this on putting these items on Purple Wave site, for they do not sell this items. John said he would like to put these items in the Freeburg Tribune. He will get the information together so we can list the items.

Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg is working on the budget for next year, and he would like to have a Committee As A Whole meeting on March 1st at 5:30 P.M. to review it with the Village Board members.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None

EXHIBIT D:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser said ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer had a meeting at the church so he will not be with us this evening. If you have any questions on his February 1, 2021 ESDA Report, please call Gene.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Mayor Speiser called for public participation. Janet Baechle asked if she could attend the Committee As A Whole meeting. Mayor Speiser answered yes you can. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg replied with "Janet you are always welcome to come to the meetings".

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REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT E:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1, 2021:

1. Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have any questions for Zoning Administrator Matt Trout on his Zoning Report. Hearing none we will move on.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT F:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21-01, A Resolution of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, Urging the Governor to Veto House Bill 3653 Regarding Criminal Justice Reform.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motioned to adopt Resolution #21-01 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, motion carried.**

ORDINANCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT G:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 27, 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 we discussed the Washington property and the deadline has passed. Our Attorney Keck will proceed to the next step.

2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estate Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said Meadow Pines are working to install a silt fence as soon as it dries up. Edison Estates the electric crew continues to install transformers.

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3. Code Revisions/Legal Review: Trustee Heap said the public hearing on the zoning code revision is set for February 9th at 6:00 P. M.

4. IML Social Media Policy: Trustee Heap said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg is working on this issue.

5. IML COVID -19 Vaccination Policy: Trustee Heap stated we are not going to do anything at this time on the IML COVID-19 Vaccination Policy.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution #21-01 A Resolution Urging the Governor to Veto House Bill 3653 Regarding Criminal Justice Reform: Trustee Heap said we already took care of the resolution earlier on the agenda.

EXHIBIT H:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday January 27, 2021 at 6:04 p.m.

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS: Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer reported on an incident that happened Saturday. Trustee Meehling said our officers responded to a call for a child choking, and they were able to get the object out of the child's throat. Our officers also comforted the other children in the home while this was going on. The husband contacted Chief Schutzenhofer and complimented our officers on how well they handled the situation. Despite everything, our officers are doing an exceptional job. Chief Schutzenhofer stated he wants his guys to patrol and be visible.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Meehling said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg would like to have an in-person meeting soon to discuss a few issues and hopes to have in-person meetings resume by the end of February.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Combined Planning and Zoning Meeting – Tuesday, February 9, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, February 10, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, February 10, 2021 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, February 10, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENTS DAY – Monday, February 15, 2021
Board Meeting – Tuesday, February 16, 2021 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Mayor Seth Speiser – Nothing tonight.
Trustee Denise Albers – Nothing tonight.
Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – Nothing tonight.
Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Nothing tonight.
Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Nothing tonight.
Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Nothing tonight.
Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.
Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Public Works Director John Tolan – Nothing tonight.
Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – Nothing tonight.
Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – Happy Birthday Janet.
Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – No thank you.
ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – absent

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, February 1, 2021 at 7:39p.m. and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk