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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, March 20, 2023 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 James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (6 present, 1 absent) Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 6, 2023 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 6, 2023, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

ESDA REPORT: Unavailable.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Kevin Schmitt stood up and introduced himself. Kevin is the representative for 114 district.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT C:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR MARCH 20, 2023: Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have any questions on Zoning Administrator Matt Trout's report.

EXHIBIT D:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

1. Combined Planning and Zoning Board Rezoning Recommendation. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout stated the Zoning Board did recommend the rezoning.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT E:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #23-03 A Resolution for Maintenance under the Illinois Highway Code

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motion to adopt Resolution #23-03 by title only and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Ordinance #1760 An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Rezoning Certain Property Commonly Known as the Debra Riess, Trustee and Lorna Riess Property.

Trustee Michael (Mike)Heap motioned to adopt Ordinance #1760 by title only, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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, March 15, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss reported an outage on Old Fayetteville Road where a tree took down our wire. Shane is also having problems getting transformers.
2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan has received a new grant request from Professional Metal Works in the amount of \$2,538.72 for 27 fixtures IMEA. The committee agreed to their request.
3. Generator Upgrades: Trustee Blaies said Shane commented BI Power Systems will here to do some more work mainly for the import mode. The capacity testing, they did on the old Worthington unit was below 30 and their limit was 60.

NEW BUSINESS: Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised the committee the lead time for transformers is 52-54 weeks. As long as they are okay with using the larger transformer, he will swap it out once a new one has been received.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT H:

Public Works Committee Meeting: (Trash/Water/Sewer) Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser (Chairperson) reported on the Trash/Water/Sewer Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 5:56 p.m.

1. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan- Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-23 in the amount of \$26,008.94 and Haier Plumbing and Heating Pay Request #178 in the amount of \$205,961.84:

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to the approval of Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-23 in the amount of \$26,008.94, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: 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; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to the approval of Haier Plumbing & Heating Pay Request #18 not to exceed in the amount of \$205,961.84, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 01 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Matt Trout advised the committee the shipment of the aeration equipment is arriving slowly. We asked Burns to contact them since it is starting to become an issue. Work continues on the anaerobic basin, pulling computer and Ethernet cables, ceiling and electric panels. The aeration is the key equipment. We are still hoping to meet the July 5th completion date. Public Works Director John Tolan is putting a punch list together. Burns made a comment about a change order on the hatches, and Matt told them we would not be interested in that. John asked again about Burns completing the NPDES permit that is due in August. John asked for them to generate a task order for that.

2. Sewer Issues: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan reported an issue on Lakeview and also N. Main, neither of which are our responsibility.

3. FSH Minutes: Nothing new.

4. Water System Study: Trustee Kaiser said we received the contract. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said trying to get the funding in. We chose the water tower at Save Site and phase 2 of the project plan which is the water line replacement on High, Hill and White Street. Tony recommends everyone review the contract and we will send it to the Finance meeting.

Public Works Director John Tolan said THM sampling was completed at all of the sites and all samples were well below EPA limits. Another quarterly update has been submitted to the USEPA. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg commented the cost of the engineering for the TWM contract is 8.6%. Both he and Jon recommends we move forward with that.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. TWM Contract: This was discussed above.

Public Works Director John Tolan stated we received our EPA inspection letter back with one deficiency on the cross-connection survey. It has been prepared and submitted to the Tribune who will send it out to all customers along with lead and service survey. The EPA also recommended fencing, taking action on the east tower painting, mixing in elevated storage tanks, and continuing with the nitrification plan.

Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee we participated in confined space entry training Tuesday. Cedar Trails reported high water usage, and found out there was an internal problem with their staff using water. We moved Charlie Kaiser's water meter to get that on the Willow Springs line. We dealt with a couple of water main breaks, one by Dressler's and the other on West St. Aquastore fixed four leaks on the standpipe. Two old water services at the high were school disconnected.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT G:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr.(Chairperson) reported on the Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:13 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

POOL: OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool Safety Cover Estimate: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee the pool cover has been delivered. They are going to install it to make sure it fits.

2. Pool Employee Hires: Trustee Matchett said Office Manager Julie Polson reported we have two applicants enrolled in the lifeguard certification class. She has also added this to the newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. FCHS Give Bank-Kick Back Benefit Donation Request: Trustee Matchett stated the committee agreed to donate a 10-day pool pass to the event.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. E. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee we are working on the north side of East Mill Street. We have replaced 4-5 culverts and will work up to Pitts Street. There is a flat area in the alley behind a home on North Alton Street that we are working on to help the water flow. Crew Leader Bob Jenkins said we worked on the Sleeping Indian cul-de-sac due to a lot of dirty water coming off the field. We ran the sewer machine through all the way to the creek.

2. Customer Issues:

3. Wolf Road Project: Trustee Matchett said nothing new.

5. MFT- Resolution #23-03: MFT Maintenance under the Illinois Highway Code: Trustee Matchett said we approved this under Resolutions.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Distribution of TIF Monies: Trustee Matchett said we have the distribution of TIF Monies. At this time, he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to the approval the distribution of TIF funds to the taxing bodies in the amount of \$324,338.98, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

2. Insurance Stability Fund: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg stated we have been working to get the insurance stability fund cleaned up. To do so, we need to transfer \$62,862.08 over to the fund. Per the new union contracts, the village would keep the remainder in the fund each year. From now on, the money will be transferred on a monthly basis, and all of the checks will be written out of that account.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to transfer \$62,862.08, over to the Insurance Stability Fund and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

3. Clayton Proffitt Request to Cash in 191.75 Compensatory Hours: Trustee Matchett said we have a request from Clayton Proffitt to cash in 191.75 compensatory hours.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to the approve Clayton Proffitt's Request to Cash in 191.75 Compensatory Hours, and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

Trustee Matchett said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout updated us on Combined Planning and Zoning Board recommendation to Rezone North State Street property.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Committee As A Whole Meeting – Tuesday, March 21, 2023 5:30 p.m.
Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 29, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 29, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, April 3, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – Absent
Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – No thank you.
Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – No thank you.
Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.
Mayor Seth Speiser –
Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – He would like to thank John and his crew for taking care of that water break without having to do a water boil.
Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – He would like to thank John and his crew.
Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.
Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.
Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – Congratulation to the Murphy's, and he is looking forward to working with them.
Chief of Police 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 Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of March 20, 2023 at 7:45 p.m., Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap and seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk