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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 6, 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 6, 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 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 – absent; 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 6, 2023 for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, February 6, 2023, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE:

Trustee Denise Albers (Chairperson) reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we Reviewed the Board Lists. We had some questions: Dambacher Truck \$6,981.54 – their yearly 2022 bill; Dan Rickert \$786.77- repairs bobcats and other machinery; Midwest Meter, \$1,194.12; Dave Schmidt, \$3,783.93.

2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said nothing due until next year.

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3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Income Statement. Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg commented he is monitoring everything he is concerned about. Tony said we received about \$117,000 for MFT. There should be another \$50,000 that we get from the new tax. MFT is funded from the tax we pay on every gallon of gas, then the state takes it and give us our capita share. We have about \$475,000 left over from the last few years in MFT funds. We will be using those funds for larger projects in the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Albers stated we have received 7 months of treasurer's reports from Treasurer Vogel.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Nothing.
2. Newsletter: Nothing.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. FY24 Budget: Trustee Albers said we discussed the FY24 budget. We will be discussing this in a Committee As A Whole meeting. Which was held tonight at 6:30 p.m.

EXHIBIT C:

2. Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-22 in the amount of \$25,436.04: Trustee Albers said we received an invoice for the work being done at the sewer plant from Burns & McDonnell. At this time, she would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to the approval of Burns & McDonnell Invoice #113084-22 in the amount of \$25,436.04 and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

EXHIBIT D:

3. TWM Invoice #77522 in the amount of \$624.00: Trustee Albers said we received an Invoice from TWM for the final bill for the water study. At this time, she would like to make a motion.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to the approval of TWM Invoice #77522 in the amount of \$624.00 and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

EXHIBIT E:

TREASURER’S REPORT: Mayor Speiser stated we have the Treasurer’s Reports from April 2022 to October 2022.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned for the approval of the Treasurer’s Reports, 4/30/22, 5/31/22, 6/30/22, 7/31/22, 8/31/22, 9/30/22 and 10/31/22 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT F:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene. Kramer Gene updated us on his March 6, 2023.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT G:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

FOR MARCH 6, 2023: Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have any questions on Zoning Administrator Matt Trout’s report. Matt said there will be a Chamber of Commerce Meeting this Thursday, March 9th at Next Up starting at noon. Greg Frerking from Freeburg High School will be in attendance to speak about the upcoming Bond Referendum on the April Ballot for a new gym at the High School

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT H:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #23-02 A Resolution Adopting the Village of Freeburg’s 2023-20245 Operating Budget.

Trustee Denise Albers motion to adopt Resolution #23-02 by title only and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

ORDINANCRS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

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NEW BUSINESS: None.
APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT I:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Michael (Mike Heap) reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2023 at 5:51 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Heap said we had 3 building permits were issued for 1 fence, 1 service upgrade and 1 commercial upgrade. Matt is working with several properties to get them cleaned up.

2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estates Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said Public Works Director John Tolan reported a couple more water taps have been installed in Meadow Pines. They are now down to 3 lots.

Trustee Heap said Julie advised the committee there is a meeting with Combined Planning and Zoning Board on a proposal of a development behind Dollar General on March 14th.

EXHIBIT J:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, February 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer gave a summary of the calls handled since the past meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. CDL: We continued a little bit of a discussion regarding the new rules for the CDL license. This would require all of our Public Works employees to take a class at a local college along with a road test. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg reached out to Mike Bost's office and continues to work on this to see what our options are.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Combined Planning/Zoning Board – Tuesday, March 14, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 15, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 15, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 15, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, March 20, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – No thank you.

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 – No thank you.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – absent.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – We will see Kevin Schmidt here at the next board meeting.

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – On that Zoning Hearing the board will take final action on that.

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 Denise Albers motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of March 6, 2023 at 7:47 p.m., and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk

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