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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020 @ 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, May 4, 2020, presentation of the meeting was conducted by, Zoom video conferencing.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Denise Albers – 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 of the Public Hearing from April 20, 2020 for David and Karen Fellows Annexation for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling motioned to accept the Public Hearing minutes for David and Karen Fellows Annexation to the village on April 20, 2020 for approval and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE:

EXHIBIT B:

Trustee Denise Albers reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Board Lists and discussed some of the finances.

2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers stated we don't have any investments until July and asked Treasurer Bryan Vogel to start on this in June.

3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Income Statement. We asked about IPRF grant in the amount of \$6,540, and Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee that is the safety grant from our insurance company.

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Village Administrator Tony Funderburg confirmed both the police and public works purchase equipment through this grant. A new laptop was purchased for Zoning Administrator Matt Trout since the old one wasn't working with the technology we now need. The PD dispatching contract is split up into 2 payments.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Trustee Albers stated we received the October, November and December 2019 reports from Treasurer Bryan Vogel.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said we did receive the Attorney Invoices.
2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said we all going to try to have a date setup for the Spring Cleaning in time for the next Newsletter. Waste management is not picking up any bulk items right now, and Zoning Administrator Matt Trout would like to see the spring cleanup held sometime which would benefit the nuisance properties and the citizen's in town.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Citizen's Bid for the Backhoe and Hydro Excavator: Trustee Albers said we were informed that Citizen's Bank is reducing interest rate on our Money Market Account, due to the current finance climate.
2. Moody's Investor Service Rating Report: Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg, Treasurer Bryan Vogel and Attorney Fred Keck said we are in a pretty good spot, and feels the only thing hurting us is that we are in the state of Illinois.
3. Project Request Form #20-03, Diving Board: Trustee Albers said we discussed the new diving board that needs to be installed at the pool. We did received two bids, and plan to go ahead with installation to make sure the pool will be ready when we open that is if we will be allowed to open.
4. Surplus Equipment: Trustee Albers said Public Works Director John Tolan reviewed the list of items that he would like surplus on Purple Wave. We do have several bikes that we need to donate to a local group that will recycles bikes and provide them to children in need for Christmas.
5. Projected Budget Impact Numbers due to COVID-19: Trustee Albers said we discussed a projected budget impact numbers due to COVID-19. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said it is hard to make accurate projections. For we have not been provided all the information by the state of Illinois and we don't know how long the shout down will continue. Tony will stay on top of those numbers for us.

FY21 Appropriation: Trustee Albers stated we have received the proposed FY2021 Appropriation. She would like everyone to review it over the next couple weeks. Trustee Albers asked for this to be put on the next Streets Committee meeting agenda, so we all can discuss it. She would also like to see it on the board meeting agenda, so the public can have a voice. Village Hall will be open for the public hearing on the appropriation, but we are asking the public to do social distancing.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT C:

ESDA REPORT Mayor Seth Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer updated us on his ESDA Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT D:

1. **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2020:** Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have anything for the Zoning Administrator Matt Trout. Matt said he did set the date for the golf tournament August 29th. We did this change tonight at the Chamber meeting before board meeting. The Chamber asked that we pass on the information that the businesses here in town are hurting, please try and support them.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT E:

APPOINTMENTS: Mayor Speiser stated he has the appointed positions for 2020-2021 year.

Mayor Speiser stated we will start with the Treasurer position for the 2020-2021 year Bryan Vogel.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to approve the appointed position of Bryan Vogel as Treasurer for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Speiser stated for Village Administrator appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year Tony Funderburg.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to approve the appointed position of Tony Funderburg as Village Administrator for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for Public Works Director appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year John Tolan.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. to approve the appointed position of John Tolan as Village Public Works Director for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for Chief of Police appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year Michael (Mike) Schutzenhofer.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to approve the appointed position of Michael (Mike) Schutzenhofer as Chief of Police for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for ESDA Coordinator appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year Gene Kramer.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to approve the appointed position of Eugene Kramer as ESDA Coordinator for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for Village Attorney appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year Weilmuenster Law Group, Weilmuenster, Keck, and Brown.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to approve the appointed position of Village Attorney Weilmuenster Law Group, Weilmuenster, Keck and, Brown for the 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for Village Zoning Administrator appointed position for the 2020 and 2021 year Matt Trout.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to approve the appointed position of Mathew (Matt) Trout as Village Zoning Administrator for 2020 and 2021 year and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Mayor Speiser stated for Combined Planning/Zoning Board appointed position for five year term Lee Smith.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to approve the appointed position of Lee Smith for a 5 year term for the Combined Planning/ Zoning Board and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT F:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Michael (Mike Heap) reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 29 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 Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported several building permits were issued this month.

2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estates Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said Meadow Pines have 3 houses being built. We talked about possibly starting phase 2 this fall. Trustee Heap said we are hoping on Edison Estates engineering plans will be approved tomorrow night at the Combined Planning/Zoning Board meeting.

Trustee Heap said we discussed the Recycling Center and decided to keep it close this would be best for the village. Trustee Heap said the pool is planning on opening June 1st if everything goes right.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT G:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, April 29, 2020 at 6:38 p.m.

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Security Officer Agreement: Trustee Meehling said regarding the Security Officer Agreement, Chief Schutzenhofer spoke with Tomi Diefenbach, and the agreement should be here shortly.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. ESDA Notice Regarding No Pets in the Community Storm Shelter: Trustee Meehling said we discussed the No Pets in the community storm shelter. ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer provided us with a notice that pets will not be allowed in the community storm shelter unless they are contained in a carrier. We determined it was too costly to do a mass mailing. We discussed it is already on our website and has already been published in the paper. We could put it on the utility bill.

We discussed the police golf tournament fund raiser. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout asked for suggestions on the June 20th golf tournament. It has been changed to August 29th.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Crew Worker Hire: Trustee Meehling said we discussed our crew worker hire with the coronavirus. We decided to keep this in a hold status.

NEW BUSINESS: New.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Combined Planning and Zoning Meeting – Tuesday, May 5, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, May 18, 2020 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – She would like to thank Tony, Gene and anyone else who have put in extra hours. You all have done a great job, knowing it has been very difficult.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – She would also like to thank everyone who has put in so many extra hours. We have appreciated everything you have done. Please remember to support our local businesses.

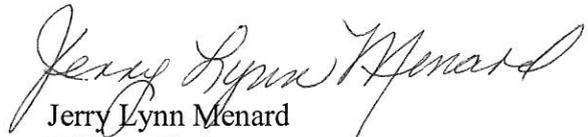
Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Same as what the either trustees had said.
Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Same thing everyone else has said.
Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Same thing here.
Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Same thing here.
Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Same thing here and also thanks to the village employees.
Mayor Seth Speiser – He would like to thank Tony, Matt, Mike and Gene for all of their hard work during COVID-19. Please keep up the good work.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer –
ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – Thank you for the reappointment.
Village Administrator Tony Funderburg –

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

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of Monday, May 4, 2020 at 7:52 p.m. and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk