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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 21, 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, June 21, 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 Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – absent; (7 present, 0 absent).

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, June 7, 2021 and for approval.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, June 7, 2021 with correction and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT B:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser called upon ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Gene updated us on his June 21, 2021 ESDA Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: None.

EXHIBIT F:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR: None.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

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CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: See Resolutions.
BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT D:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21-06, A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute the Memorandum of Agreement with BHM&G for the Generator Controls Upgrade

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to adopt Resolution #21-06 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT E:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21-07, A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute the IDOT 2021 Traffic Signal Master Agreement.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Resolution #21-07 by title only 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 James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Seth Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1714, An Ordinance Specifying Appropriation Procedure

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to adopt Ordinance #1714 by title only and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT G:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Seth Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1715, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 – Utilities Article II – Utility Regulations; Division V.- Water Rates; Article IV. Wastewater System – Division VIII. Sewer Rates and Fees and Appendix #1 - of the Revised Code of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to adopt Ordinance #1715 by title only 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.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT H:

APPOINTMENTS: Mayor Speiser stated we have the 2021-2022 APPOINTMENTS.

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to appoint Burns & McDonnell for the Position of the Sewer Plant/Environmental and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – 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.**

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to appoint Curry & Associates for the Position of Water Environmental Services and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – 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.**

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to appoint Volkert, Inc. for the Position of Water Line System and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – 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.**

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to appoint Volkert, Inc for the Position of the Sewer Line System and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – 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.**

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to appoint TWM for the Position of the Water Study and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – 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.**

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT I:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies (Chairperson) reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss reported on the village-wide power outage on May 26th, when a farmer hit a 3-phase cabinet that housed the tie between our power plants. The electric was back up around 4:45 p.m. They did a good job. Head Lineman Shane also reported an insulator went bad in Deerfield Court, and a few homes were out. Public Works Director John Tolan and Head Lineman Shane Krauss informed us MISO may be calling us soon to lighten our load for a couple of days.

2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan said Rodd from IMEA has given Middendorf and Reuss the notice to proceed on their lighting project. Trustee Blaies said Mayor Speiser mentioned the program at Chamber Meeting Monday night.

3. North Substation CAT Work/PLC unit #12 Fail Repair/Replacement: Trustee Blaies said we discussed this issue and it was passed under Resolutions tonight on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Blaies said we discussed the reconnection fees. We discussed making the reconnection fees higher and make late fees lower. Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane advised the committee he would like to order some additional poles, and he will bring 3 quotes to the next Electric meeting.

EXHIBIT J:

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

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser (Chairperson) reported on the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Sewer Plant/ Sewer Loan: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan talked to Lebanon about their plant, and overall, they thought their project went pretty well. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout advised the first pay request has been submitted to Burns & McDonnell. They are reviewing it and will send it the next committee meeting. The committee discussed the sewer rate increase, and myself and Trustee Heap felt option B was fair. Trustee Albers asked Village Administrator Tony Funderburg if option B will build up sufficient reserves, and Tony confirmed it will do that. Gregg said the sewer rate increase includes both the new plant and infrastructure issues. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg has not received much feedback about the increase. He also said the rate increase will cover 30 years unless we have a major issue. An ordinance passing the new sewer rate is required by EPA. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg also said we need TWM to submit their conceptual plan to EPA so we can start some of those projects.

2. Sewer Issues: None.
3. FSH Minutes: Nothing.
4. Old Freeburg Road Water Lines: Trustee Kaiser said Public Works Director John Tolan has the locate called in. They should be starting on this shortly.
5. Water System Study: Trustee Kaiser stated Chris Bergmann, Chad Ross, and Scott Simmons from TWM were present to provide an overview of their Water System Study and IEPA Project Plan. They summarized Freeburg's water system, detailing the shortfalls and needed improvements. Their goal is to provide reliable water service to all residents for a proposed 20-year period as well as adequate fire protection. The project plan includes 5 phases of improvements to our system ranking the phases by importance.
6. Repair/Replace Sewer East Main and West Apple: None.
7. West Street Resident's Sewer Issue: None.

Trustee Kaiser stated Public Works Director John Tolan reported the TTHM results came back good. The CR will be published tomorrow and is also available on our website. A resident in Meadow Pines was having issues with their irrigation system. Gregg checked it out and found the deduct meter was installed backwards. Public Works Director John Tolan advised there are issues with a blower at the west plant. Illinois Electric is going to send him an estimate of the repairs.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Waste Management Contract Renewal Presentation: Trustee Kaiser said Paul Bickford presented two options for the trash contract renewal.

Trustee Kaiser stated he has TWM Invoice #69738 in the amount of \$2,128.50 for payment.

*Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to pay TWM's Invoice #69738 in the amount of \$2,125.50 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

EXHIBIT L:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. (Chairperson) reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 7:19 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

EXHIBIT L:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. (Chairperson) reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 7:19 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

POOL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Matchett said the committee discussed whether or not to fully open the pool rather than continue the two daily sessions. The break between sessions has helped the cleanliness of the pool and bathrooms. The committee agreed to fully open the pool, and Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will work with Pool Manager Scott Schulz on incorporating a break during the day. The daily session pass can be turned in for any daily admission. Someone backed into the fence, and John is working with Belleville Fence to repair the damage done.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Apple Street Proposed Repair Nothing new.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan reported our guys replaced a culvert and reworked the ditch at 15 N. Main.
3. Customer Issues: Trustee Matchett said curb work was done on Milford Drive, along with some extensive patching on Turkey Hill Road. A guardrail was taken out on Cemetery Road.
4. MFT- TWM Invoice #69787: Trustee Matchett said we have an Invoice from TWM in the amount of \$780.50.
Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to pay TWM's Invoice #69787 in the amount of \$780.50 and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**
5. Surplus 2. N. Railroad HVAC: Trustee Matchett said the notice for bid was published in the Tribune. Bids will be accepted until June 24th.
6. RFQ for Water/Sewer/Streets: Trustee Matchett said the committee agreed with the RFQ process being completed in September. We will advertise the RFQ in the Tribune and also mail it out to area firms.

7. Grade School Crosswalk: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg confirmed the library is willing to work with us on this project. He believes we should fund this project with the grant money being received at an approximate cost of \$10,000. Using concrete on this project will meet the ADA standard. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will ask the school to staff the crosswalk.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. IDOT Traffic Signal Master Agreement: Trustee Matchett said we passed this Agreement earlier on the agenda under Resolutions.

2. A 4-way stop sign request at the intersection of Apple St./Vine St.: Trustee Matchett said this will be sent to the next Personnel/Police committee meeting.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg received notice from AT&T that our contract with them will transfer to DIRECTV. We received the annual LIHEAP agreement from St. Clair County. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Village Attorney Fred Keck reviewed the contract and said that he will sign it and return it to them. The bid received on the public works and police vehicles will be sent to the Finance committee meeting. The bid will most likely not be valid by the time the vehicles are ready to be delivered to us.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, June 30, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Legal/ Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, June 30, 2021 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, June 30, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

Combined Planning and Zoning Meeting – Tuesday, July 6, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Board Meeting – Tuesday, July 6, 2021 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Congratulations to our High School baseball team.

Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Congratulations to the High School baseball team on winning championship and to the girl's baseball team.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Same thing here also.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Same thing here.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Same thing here.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – She would like to thank everyone who came out to the Country Mart to support the High School Baseball team.

Trustee Denise Albers – Same thing as well.

STAFF COMMENTS:

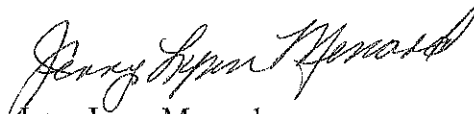
Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – He would like to thank the businesses for all they did for the baseball team with signs and showing up to support the ball team. County Mart sent the boys off with two filled grocery carts of stuff. Hope this was a good sign that we are moving forward.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – He said it was great to see how the community came out to support the baseball team. The turnout was awesome. Our businesses seem to be quite busy. The turn out at the County Mart was great and the parade was awesome.

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, June 21, 2021 at 7:57 p.m. and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk