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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JULY 6, 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 Tuesday, July 6, 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 Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – absent; (7 present, 0 absent)

Trustee Blaies said he would like to make a motion.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to amend the agenda by moving Exhibit F next on the agenda and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

Mayor Speiser proceeded in reading the Proclamation for the High School Boys Baseball Team and presented the coach with the Proclamation.

Head Coach Drew Gericke thanked everyone and the community for all of their support going forward to State.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Public Hearing Appropriation Ordinance Meeting Monday, June 21, 2021 and for approval.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to accept the minutes from the Public Hearing Appropriation Ordinance Meeting, June 21, 2021 and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

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EXHIBIT B:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, June 21, 2021 and for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, June 21, 2021 with correction and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT C:**FINANCE:**

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

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Board List in our Finance Committee meeting. Trustee Albers said on the board lists there were some questions: Recurrences, \$7,776.14 – lifeguard chairs; Government Brand Shared Services, \$2,430.00 – Debbie said this is our annual website hosting.
2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said we have nothing due until October 2021. The funds continue to sit in the money market account until interests' rates go up.
3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said Trustees Blaies feels both the income and expenses seem really low. Trustee Albers questioned 52-43-512 sewer equipment services which is at 138%. Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee 3 of the aerators at the lagoon were serviced, and one of the blowers at the west plant needed repaired.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers said we reviewed our Attorney Invoices.
2. Newsletter: Trustee Albers said Office Manager Julie Polson is asking for any ideas for this edition of the newsletter.
3. Loans for Police and Public Works Vehicles and CAT Generator Upgrades: Trustee Albers said she asked the status of the bids since we have not received the vehicles. Chief Schutzenhofer advised the committee his vehicles could possibly be here in July. Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee he probably won't receive his vehicles until Christmas. Treasurer Bryan Vogel will keep in contact with Village Administrator Tony Funderburg on this. Mayor Speiser has confirmed the BHM&G agreement has been signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Albers said we should be receiving the grant money in the next 10-15 days from the state.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser called upon ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer for his ESDA Report for July 6, 2021. Mayor Speiser stated Gene is not with us this evening. If you have any questions on the ESDA Report please call Gene.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet Baechle said she is so proud of our high school boy's baseball team.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: None.

EXHIBIT E:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR: Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said the Combined Board will also have a hearing for an annexation that would like to come in as Ag instead of the SR-1 District. The Village Board will have to confirm this ruling or overturn it with 2/3 vote, action will be required at the July 19th board meeting. The Girls Softball Team will be honor with a Proclamation at the July 19th board meeting, and the track participant at the following meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT G:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21- 07, A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Chief of Police to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Freeburg and the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Resolution #21-07 by title only and Trustee Janes (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

ORDINANCES: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Speiser stated we have the hiring of Rachel King and Casper King as new lifeguards.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to approve the hiring of Rachel King and Casper King as Lifeguards 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, the motion carried.**

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT H:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Michael (Mike) Heap reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 30, 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 Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported he issued 11 building permits which included 2 electric, 2 deck/patio, 1 solar, 2 fence, 3 new homes in Meadow Pines and 1 pool. Zoning Administrator Matt Trout has received several solar permits. Matt mentioned the house on State Street, and they are waiting on windows and doors and will be installed just as soon as they are received. The homeowner at 5 Lakeview has removed the dead tree, and the back yard will get mowed soon.

2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estate Subdivisions: Trustee Heap said regarding to Meadow Pines and Edison Estate Subdivisions they are continuing to build homes. Trustee Heap said there was a variance hearing tonight on Edison Estates for the smaller lots in the back cul-de-sac to change the front setback to 15 feet instead of 25 and annexation hearing for 3 acres to come in as agricultural by the Industrial Park.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

EXHIBIT I:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee (Chairperson) Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stop Sign request at Apple St./Vine St.: Trustee Meehling said we did receive a request from a resident for a stop sign at Apple St. and Vine St. Chief Schutzenhofer reviewed it and he doesn't believe we need one there.

2. Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village and Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois: Trustee Meehling said we discussed Resolution #21-07 between the Village and MEGSI. This Resolution was passed earlier on the agenda.

3. Officer Terry Marquardt Appointment as Deputy Director of the Metro East Auto Theft Task Force. Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer received a letter from the Captain of MEGSI regarding Officer Terry Marquardt for his service and has been appointed Deputy Director of the Metro East Auto Theft Task Force. Congratulations to Terry for his new position on the Task Force.

Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer received an email from Dave Fellows advising of an agency looking for used cars. He spoke with them and we could get rid of our two part-time police officers' cars. He would remove the computers, radios, and camera systems and decals. He will coordinate the removal of the cars with the delivery of our new ones.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Meehling said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg have met with Attorney Keck on the union contracts. We are working on a time to meet with the union representative.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Meehling said we are going to be shorthanded at the pool over the July 4th holiday. Pool Manager Scott is working to get that taken care of and has reached out to former employees that have been lifeguards at the pool. Trustee Meehling said we did hire two new lifeguards earlier on the agenda tonight.

GENERAL CONCERNS:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, July 14, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May July 14, 2021 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, July 14, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, July 19, 2021 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – Congratulations to the high school baseball team and to the two new lifeguards.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – Congratulations to the high school baseball team. Congratulations to Officer Terry Marquardt for his new position on the Task Force.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team and Officer Marquardt.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team and Officer Marquardt and to Trustee Denise Albers for she is now a new grandma.

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

Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team and Officer Marquardt.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team, Officer Marquardt and the two new lifeguards.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team, Officer Marquardt and the two new lifeguards.

Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – No thank you.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – Congratulations to our High School Baseball Team, and Officer Marquardt.

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, July 6, 2021 at 7:46 p.m. and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk