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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 2021 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, August 16, 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 – here; (7 present, 0 absent)

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, August 2, 2021, for approval.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, August 2, 2021 and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

Trustee Blaies said he would like to make a motion.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to amend the agenda by moving Exhibit D next on the agenda and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

Mayor Speiser proceeded in reading the Proclamation for Megan Weilmuenster a member of the Freeburg High School Varsity track team.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

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EXHIBIT B:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Seth Speiser called upon ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer for his ESDA Report for August 2, 2021. Gene updated us on his ESDA Report. Mayor Speiser thanked Gene and Public Works Director John Tolan for a great job they do.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Justin Reutter and Paul Becker from Waste Management updated the board and all that were present how the new trash service will work. Questions were asked and answered. Mayor Speiser thanked the two gentlemen for all they do for us for our trash service.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT C:

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S: Mayor Speiser stated have the Zoning Administrator Report for August 16, 2021 from Matt Trout. If no one has anything for Matt we will move on.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: See Resolutions and Ordinances on the agenda.

BIDS: See item #14-3 on the agenda.

EXHIBIT E:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21- 11, A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute an Engineering Master Services Agreement with Volkert, Inc., for Engineering, Design and Related Services.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to accept Resolution #21-11 by title only and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21- 13, A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute a Solid Waste Services Agreement with Waste Management of Illinois, Inc.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to accept Resolution #21-13 by title only and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT G:

RESOLUTIONS: Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #21- 14, A Resolution Authorizing the Village of Freeburg Adopting and Approving a Financing Agreement with the Bank of Belleville.

Trustee Denise Albers motioned to accept Resolution #21-14 by title only and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

EXHIBIT H:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Seth Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1721, An Ordinance of the Village of Freeburg, Waiving Competitive Bidding and Accepting a Bid Proposal for Equipment Service Co., Inc.’s Repair of the Leaf Vacuum Machine.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to adopt Ordinance #1721 by title only and Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT I:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies (Chairperson) reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 5:31 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Customer Issues: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised the committee there was a village-wide outage on Friday evening before the meeting due to an Ameren issue. Trustee Blaies said we generated for approximately 3 to 4 hours. A pole fell over at a mobile home service; a trash truck hit a 3-phase pole on Mill Street; and a pad mount transformer failed in Meadow Pines.

2. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Trustee Blaies said on the IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant. We had Professional Metal Works fill out an application for IMEA to redo their lighting. Trustee Blaies said he would like to make a motion at this time.

EXHIBIT J:

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to recommend Professional Metal Work's LED Lighting Upgrade Project up to and not to exceed \$5,418.00 and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

3. Generator Upgrades: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee BHM&G is running into issues getting parts. Public Works Director John Tolan said he thinks this will be pushed back until spring until all of the parts are in.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Project #21-06 Power Pole Purchase for Stock Replenishment: Trustee Blaies said Head Lineman Shane Krauss commented this inspection covers the four air compressor tanks at our plants. Shane said BHM&G has helped with a lot of the items, and many of these recommendations have been taken care of.

2. Open Meeting Act Information: Trustee Blaies stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg provided the Open Meetings Act Information, and said the website for yearly training is still down and they hope to have it up shortly.

Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg has received a pole agreement request from AT&T. Head Lineman Shane Krauss will respond to them with a better idea of the number of poles they have in town.

Trustee Blaies said we discussed the bid from the Bank of Belleville and we pass this earlier on the agenda under Resolutions.

EXHIBIT K:

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

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser (Chairperson) reported on the Water/Sewer Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 5:56 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Sewer Plant/ Sewer Loan: Trustee Kaiser said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee that he does not believe the engineering contract is written correctly and is dealing with issues raised in the contract language. There were 3 points that were to be marked for the culvert, and the contractor has said they can't do the work on the 3 points and need 2 more additional points. We have added them in which will be an additional cost. This has put us in a bad spot between the engineer and the contractor.

No one wants to pay for the problem, and the two parties disagree on who does the work. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said Kuhlman didn't do the survey work they were supposed to do. Attorney Fred Keck said Haier has a lot more regulations from the State and it is not easy. As part of the loan 10% of each working group have to be apprentices. If the contractors don't have the apprentices, we can't get the payment because we are not in compliance with the State.

2. Sewer Issues: None

3. FSH Minutes: Nothing new to report.

4. Old Freeburg Road Water Line – TWM Invoice #70569 in the amount of \$5,623.75: Trustee Kaiser said Trustee Meehling questioned the status of this project since we are being billed hourly. Public Works Director John Tolan believes there will be construction observation charges during the bore, so will get another bill. The water line is in. It has been pressure tested, disinfected, and the results came back good. He will have the mayor sign the operating permit. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg commented this is another good project completed. Trustee Kaiser said at this time he would like to make a motion.

EXHIBIT L:

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to pay TWM Invoice #70569 in the amount of \$5,623.75 and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

5. Water System Study–TWM Invoice #70534 in the amount of \$1,355.50: Trustee Kaiser said we have another invoice for the Water System Study.

EXHIBIT M:

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned to pay TWM Invoice #70534 in the amount of \$1,355.50 and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

Trustee Kaiser said we took care of Engineering Master Services Agreement with Volkert, Inc. and Solid Waste Services Agreement with Waste Management tonight earlier on the agenda under Resolutions.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Mayor Speiser thanked Village Administrator Tony Funderburg for getting us a good deal with Waste Management.

EXHIBIT N:

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

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Public Property Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 6:12 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

POOL: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg commented on the inspection report from the health department. We were not able to get parts for one of the issues. The other one was an error on the inspector's part. Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee the cover has a few spots that need to be repaired, and the pool will be shut down after the homecoming.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Apple Street Proposed Repair Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised the committee he will have Fournie look at it, and see what they come up with on this project.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan said the guys worked on Barber Lane and Old Fayetteville Road where there were some spots holding water.
3. Customer Issues: Public Works Director John Tolan advised the committee they ditched the area at Hill St. and S. Edison. There was a resident complaint about the curbing crumbling and alley issue on W. Washington. Public Works Director John Tolan will advise the resident we will get to it as quickly as we can.
4. MFT: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan stated we are getting 1,110 tons of slag and are preparing for oil and chipping.
5. RFQ for Water/Sewer/Streets: Trustee Matchett said the deadline for this is tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. He will bring the RFQ to the next Finance meeting on August 28, 2021.
6. Grade School Crosswalk: Trustee Matchett stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg confirmed this project has been completed. Mark Janssen along with the school resource officer, will be out the first couple days, and then a schedule at the school will be posted for who will be manning it.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Leaf Machine Repair: Trustee Matchett said we discussed the leaf machine repair. Public Works Director John Tolan said we purchased the leaf machine in 2016 and have had issues since a garden hoe was sucked into the machine in 2019. This machine gathers up a lot of rock, pebbles, twigs and leaves. We use part-time employees for 13 weeks, 40 hours a week, at \$12.00 per hour to help with the leave pickup. This machine is also used to help keep the ditches clean for drainage. Trustee Matchett said this machine is much safer for our employees.

Trustee Matchett said we had a request from the Fire Department to collect donations to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association on Saturday, August 28th, and the committee agreed to the request.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Legal/ Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 25, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

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

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – Congratulations to Megan

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – Congratulations to Megan, and our Public Works Department all of their hard work.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – Congratulations to Megan, and thanks to all of the employees who does such a good job for us.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Congratulations to Megan, and to John and his crew for a great job in getting everything cleaned up so quickly.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Congratulations to Megan, and John and Gene who work on getting things cleaned up.

Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Congratulations to Megan, and to John and his crew for a great job in getting everything pick-up after the storm.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Congratulations to Megan, and to John and his crew for a great job in getting everything done

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – No thank you.

Public Works Director John Tolan – We have about two more days of clean-up.


Village Zoning Administrator Matt Trout – No thank you.

Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer No thank you.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – Congratulations to Megan. He is keeping his fingers cross for the rain to hold off until the homecoming is over.

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, August 16, 2021 at 8:08 p.m. and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk