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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 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, September 18, 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 Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Tom Carpenter – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser (7 present, 0 absent) Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

Mayor Speiser stated the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, September 5, 2023 Unavailable.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT A:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Gene was not present. Mayor Speiser said if you have any questions on Gene's ESDA Report please call him. Mayor Speiser stated the Weather-Ready Nation Ambassadors named Freeburg ESDA National Weather Ready Ambassadors for the 2023 year. When you see Gene be sure to congratulate him and thank him and his team members for all of their hard work.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Zoning Administrator Report: None.

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EXHIBIT B:

1. Combined Planning and Zoning Board Report: Mayor Speiser stated everyone should have the Combined Planning and Zoning Board Report in their packet.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

Interim Village Administrator Matt Trout stated at the hearing the first hearing was Mary Pasbrig requested to rezone 820 Southgate Dr. from B-1 to SR-1. This request was table until next month. Second hearing was the annexation and rezoning of 1375 South State St. from SR-1 to Ag. This was passed. The Third hearing was to rezone the Sugar Creek Farms property of 244 acres. This was passed.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: See Ordinances.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT C:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1770. An Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement for the Annexation of 19.38 Acres, more or less, of Real Estate Owned by Barbara J. Barttelbort, aka Barbars J. Logan Property Located in the County of St. Clair, State of Illinois.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motion to adopt Ordinance #1770 by title only, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT D:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1771. An Ordinances Annexing Certain Territory Commonly Known as the “Barbara J. Barttelbort, aka Barbara J. Logan Property” to and in the Village of Freeburg, Illinois.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motion to adopt Ordinance #1771 by title only, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT E:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1772. An Ordinance Amending the Freeburg Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Rezoning certain Property Commonly Known as the “Barbara J. Barttelbort, aka Barbara J. Logan Property”.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motion to adopt Ordinance #1772 by title only, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCE: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1773. An Ordinances Amending the Freeburg Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Rezoning Certain Property Commonly Known as the Sugar Creek Farms Property.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap motion to adopt Ordinance #1773 by title only, and Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

Electric Committee Meeting: Mayor Speiser stated Electric Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. minutes **Unavailable.**

Public Works Committee Meeting: (Trash/Water/Sewer) Mayor Speiser stated Water/Sewer Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 5:45 p.m. minutes **Unavailable.**

Mayor Speiser called upon Trustee Kaiser.

EXHIBIT G/H

Trustee Kaiser said he would like to make a couple of motions.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned for the approval of Haier Plumbing & Heating Pay Request #21 in the amount of \$215,592.20, 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 Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

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Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser motioned for the Approval of TWM Invoice #80868 in the amount of \$5,000.00, and Invoice #80869 in the amount of \$6,000.00, 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 Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; (6 ayes 0 nays, 0 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

Public Property Committee Meeting: (Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation)
Mayor Speiser stated Streets Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. minutes Unavailable.

Mayor Speiser called upon Trustee Matchett.

EXHIBIT I :

Trustee Matchett said he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned for the Approval of FY23 Audit, and Trustee Tom Carpenter seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – 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, motion carried.**

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, September 27 – 5:30 p.m.

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, September 27, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, September 27, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, October 2, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Tom Carpenter – No thank you.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – Congratulations to Gene and his ESDA team.

Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – Congratulations to Gene and his ESDA team.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Congratulations Gene and welcome to Barbara Barttelbort for annexation into the Village of Freeburg.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – Congratulations to the ESDA team.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – Congratulations to the ESDA team.

Mayor Seth Speiser – He explained why we should have an engineer position. Letting us know how it will pay off in the next 5 years. He thinks the village needs to look into the position for an engineer for the village.

STAFF COMMENTS:


Public Works Director John Tolan –

Interim Administrator Matt Trout – Chili Cook Off is just two weeks away. We could use some more sponsors. Please let him know if you are interested in working. He has a draft letter to go over to the Tribune of the water rates. He will send the article over to the Tribune as soon as everyone has looked it over.

Chief of Police Mike Schutzenhofer –

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, September 18, 2023 at 7:38 p.m. and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.


Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk