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REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA – November 18, 2024 - 7:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - 4 – 1. November 4, 2024 – Board Meeting Minutes – **Exhibit A**
5. Finance
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Attorney's Report
8. ESDA Report – ESDA Report for November 18, 2024 – **Exhibit B**
9. Public Participation
10. Reports and Correspondence
 - 10 – 1. Village Engineer's Report – **Exhibit C**
 - 10 – 2. Combined Planning and Zoning Board Report – **Exhibit D**
11. Recommendations of Boards and Commissions
12. Contracts, Releases, Agreements and Annexations
13. Bids
14. Resolutions
 - 14 – 1. Resolution #24-19: A Resolution in Support of St. Clair County Parks Grant – **Exhibit E**
 - 14 – 2. Resolution #24-20: A Resolution Regarding the Release of Closed Session Minutes – **Exhibit F**
15. Ordinances
 - 15 – 1. Ordinance #1796: Tax Levy Ordinance – **Exhibit G**
16. Old Business
17. New Business
18. Appointments
19. Committee Meeting Minutes/Recommendations
 - 19 – 1. Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 13, 2024 – 5:30 p.m. - **Exhibit H**
 - 19 – 2. Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 13, 2024 - 5:45 p.m. – **Exhibit I**
 - 19 – 3. Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday November 13, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. – **Exhibit J**
 - 19 – 4. Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 5:30 p.m. – **Unavailable**
 - 19 – 5. Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 5:45 p.m. – **Unavailable**
 - 19 – 6. Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. - **Unavailable**
20. Upcoming Meetings
 - 20 – 1. CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING – November 28th and November 29th
 - 20 – 1. Board Meeting – Monday, December 2, 2024 – 7:30 p.m.
 - 20 – 2. Combined Planning and Zoning Meeting – Tuesday, December 10, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.
 - 20 – 3. Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.
 - 20 – 4. Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 5:45 p.m.
 - 20 – 5. Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.
21. Village President's and Trustees' Comments
22. Staff Comments
23. Adjournment

At said Board Meeting, the Village Board of Trustees may vote on whether or not to hold an Executive Session to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(3)]; personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(1)]; litigation [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(11)]; real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(5)]; collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(2)].

VILLAGE PRESIDENT
Seth Speiser

VILLAGE CLERK
Jerry Menard

VILLAGE TRUSTEES
Ray Matchett, Jr.
Lisa Meehling
Mike Blaies
Tom Carpenter
Dana Miller
Robert Kaiser

VILLAGE TREASURER
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Eugene Kramer

VILLAGE ENGINEER
Tim Pruett, P.E.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, November 4, 2024 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 Dana Miller – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee Tom Carpenter – 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 Regular Board Meeting Monday, September, 2024.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, October 21, 2024 with corrections, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE

Trustee Tom Carpenter (Chairperson) reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

1. **REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** No questions.

2. **REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Carpenter said we have several short-term CD's coming due in December. We won't be able to reinvest the General Fund CD because we will be receiving the bill for the culvert. The insurance committee would like to reinvest the Insurance Stability CD. We would like to reinvest the Sewer Fund CD but maybe not long term. We probably won't be able to reinvest the Electric Fund CD because we do have a bond payment coming due. Treasurer Bryan Vogel will bring both short term and long-term rates to the next meeting.

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3. **INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Carpenter said we should be at 56%-58%. He highlighted a few items and said we are trending very good. He added that the swimming pool numbers look really good this year.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Nothing to report.

5. **FUND AND ACCOUNT BALANCE REPORT:** Village Administrator Matt Trout said water is up and continues to move in the right direction. Electric is up as well.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Attorney Invoices: Attorney Invoices were reviewed by the committee.

2. Newsletter: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Village Health Insurance Renewal: Trustee Carpenter said the health insurance advisory committee has met twice to look at everything. This will come under Resolutions later on the agenda.

2. Ordinance #1795: Trustee Carpenter said this ordinance will be under Ordinances on the agenda.

3. Ordinance #1795: Trustee Carpenter said this ordinance has been tabled until next meeting.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

EXHIBIT C:

ESDA REPORT: Mayor Speiser called on ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer. Gene gave us an update on his November 4th ESDA Report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

EXHIBIT D:

VILLAGE ENGINEER REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 4, 2024.

Mayor Speiser asked if anyone has any questions on the Village Engineer Report. Hearing none we will move on.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.
CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.
BIDS: None.

EXHIBIT E:
RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Speiser stated Resolutions #24-18 A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept the United Healthcare Insurance Renewal.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adopt Resolution #24-18 by title only, and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: ; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Dana Miller – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nay, 0 absent 0 abstain). 6 voting ayes, motion carried.

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1795 An Ordinance Abating the Electric Bond Taxes.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies motioned to adopt Ordinance #1795 by title only, and Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: ; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Dana Miller – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nay, 0 absent 0 abstain). All voting ayes, motion carried.

EXHIBIT G:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1796 Tax Levy Ordinance

Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to table Ordinance #1796, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Dana Miller – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nay, 0 absent 0 abstain). All voting ayes, motion carried.

EXHIBIT H:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1797 An Ordinance Regulating Public Camping.

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to table Ordinance #1797, and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: ; Trustee Dana Miller – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Tom Carpenter – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nay, 0 absent 0 abstain). 6 voting ayes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

EXHIBIT I:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Dana Miller reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 5:59p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Miller said, Village Engineer Tim Pruett summarized the permits since last meeting. Regarding nuisance properties, there has been progress with the property discussed at the last meeting. Tim continues to follow-up.
2. Development Updates: Village Engineer Tim Pruett sent back comments on the Murphy project to the engineer. No update on Scooters. Trustee Blaies asked about the interest in the old doctor's office. Tim responded that he hasn't heard anything.
3. Despain Property: Trustee Miller said, nothing new.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. FOIA Requests: Trustee Miller said the FOIA Requests were reviewed by the committee.
2. Public Camping: Village Administrator Matt Trout discussed the content of the ordinance.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

EXHIBIT J/K:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 6:17 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS:

1. K9 Program: Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer said he reached out to the place in in Pennsylvania that has the dog. They do have a 6-week training program that cost around \$17,000. Which would leave around \$5,000 in the fund. Trustee Meehling asked what that includes. Chief said it includes everything. He added they have a training event during the summer which would be beneficial to us.

Village Administrator Matt Trout expressed a couple of concerns he has and that he will look into. Other options were discussed. Trustee Meehling asked Chief Schutzenhofer to come back when he gets more answers as we need to get on a list. Trustee Carpenter asked after this what is the cost to have the dog. Village Administrator Matt Trout respond it is typically the food and OT. BAC in Belleville takes care of the veterinary.

Chief Mike Schutzenhofer summarized the 125 calls since our last committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. LPR Cameras: Village Administrator Matt Trout said this is the money from the Country Mart fundraiser, would allow us to get 3 cameras. Chief Mike Schutzenhofer discussed the locations where the cameras will be located. He said there are about 288 LPR's in our local area. Mike explained how the cameras work.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to recommend the purchase 3 LPR Cameras in the amount of \$25,752.48, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: ; Trustee Dana Miller – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Tom Carpenter – nay; (5 ayes, 1 nay, 0 absent 0 abstain). Motion carried.

2. Police Officer Hire: Village Administrator Matt Trout said everyone should have a copy of all the applicants. They are confidential so when you are finished looking through them, please give back to Chief or Office Manager Mary. Village Administrator Matt Trout asked how they want to handle the hiring process and if they want a bigger presence. Typically, the last few years it has been him, Trustee Meehling and Chief Schutzenhofer. If we go over 2 trustees it would be a public meeting and we would have to hold an executive session meeting. Trustee Carpenter commented he feels there should be a little bit more board presence. Trustee Carpenter stated he does appreciate getting to look at the applicants before making a recommendation. Village Administrator Matt Trout asked the board to review them and reach out to him or the Chief with any opinions. When setting up the interviews, they will reach out to the board to see who is available.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Executive Session Minutes: Trustee Meehling said we had a discussion on the process of approving content and opening or keeping closed executive session minutes.

GENERAL CONCERNS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERAN'S DAY Monday, November 11, 2024
Combined Planning & Zoning Board Meeting– Tuesday, November 12, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.
Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 13, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.
Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 13, 2024 – 5:45 p.m.
Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 13, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.
Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.
Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 5:45 p.m.
Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.
Board Meeting – Monday, November 18, 2024 – 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Tom Carpenter – He explained why he did not vote for the LPR Cameras.

Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – No thank you.

Trustee Dana Miller – No thank you.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – No thank you.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – He would like to thank John and his crew

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – No thank you.

Mayor Seth Speiser –

STAFF COMMENTS:

Village Engineer Tim Pruett – No thank you.

Public Works Director John Tolan – No thank you.

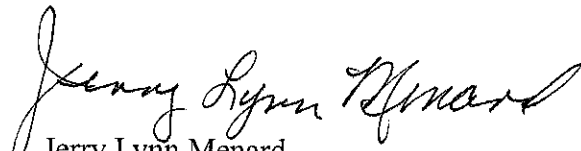
Village Administrator Matt Trout – Christmas falls on the same day as our committee meetings so we will change that. Leaf picks up will start on November 12th. It will be in the paper and we will put it on the website.

Chief of Police Mike Schutzenhofer – No thank you.

ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer – This is going to be a long night.

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, November 4, 2024 at 7:47 p.m. and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard
Village Clerk



Nov.18, 2024 ESDA-OHS Report
To: Mayor and Board of Trustees

1. Participated in H.A.R.N. communications test Nov. 8, 2024, at 9:15 A.M., this included Repeater and simplex tests within Missouri.
2. ARES/RACES communications weekly net from ESDA office for the entire County via SCARC repeater FCC Call K9GXU from our KC9NPN FCC license. Communications drill from 6:30 pm to 7:35 PM.
3. Responded to request from St. Joseph Catholic School, Principal Hildebrand, as it related to the operation of the FCC licensed agreement operations on the Freeburg School (Grade school) FCC license call sign of KKL-809. Covered the "direct" communications with both District 70 & 77 as well as our office, especially during times of Severe Weather and other related emergencies affecting/impacting the schools. Review their communications equipment and their weather alert radio receiver. The meeting was conducted at 10:15 AM, Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024.
4. Responded to Charlotte Vielweber, chairperson of St. Joseph's Church "SSRM", Safety-Security and Risk Management group, as it concerned Severe Weather sheltering operations during church events. My office provided the current information from NOAA/NWS/FEMA and the offices of SPC.
5. The Storm Prediction Center has given an "early" data release on the potential for Severe Weather development in our area during the Nov. 20 - 22, 2024 time period. If the isobar compression begins in a strong signal state by Nov.19th, this "could" signal a Winter Storm in NW Missouri and nearing Northern Illinois. My office will closely monitor the potential for severe weather during this period.

Respectively submitted,

Gene K., Coord.
Freeburg-OHS

**FREEBURG VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
ENGINEER'S REPORT
Nov. 15, 2024
Tim Pruett, Village Engineer**

WATER PROJECTS: Completed the initial review of TWM's plans. Working to get plans to IEPA for permitting.

Covered Bridge: I have not heard back from Ray.

Scooter's Coffee: Talked to Greg Taake and they are planning to submit building permit at any time. Still haven't received anything.

Savanah Oaks: Project approved by IDOT and Christ Brothers Asphalt have been paid. Project closed.

Reiss- Murphy Project: Sent back review comments on Oct. 25. Discussing issues with the project engineer. Developer would like us to sign IEPA permit applications so they can send plans for permits. Engineer has resubmitted plans and will review this week.

Barber Road Culvert: Installation of the culvert and backfill is complete. Waiting on bill from Haier.

St Clair County Parks Grant: This year is a maintenance equipment grant. Submitting for zero turn lawn mower, edger, chain saws, skid sprayer, string trimmers, backpack blowers and a pool filter recirculation pump.

Reviewing sewer video for the Sewer and Manhole Lining project.

Working on drainage issues at Silverthorne and Torrington.

ZONING REPORT

We continue to send letters and make calls on complaints for unmaintained properties. We continue to receive complaints about various issues, and we are dealing with them as they come in.

The Combined Planning and Zoning Board: Nov. 12, 2024, the Combined Board approved a variance to build an accessory structure between their front lot line and primary residence at 3735 State Route 15.

Nov. 2nd through Nov. 14th

0 -- Occupancy Permit
2 -- Building Permits
2 - Garages

VILLAGE OF FREEBURG MEMORANDUM

DATE: Nov. 13, 2024
TO: Village of Freeburg Board
FROM: Tim Pruett, P.E., Village Engineer
RE: Combined Planning and Zoning Board Meeting Nov. 12, 2024

On Tuesday Nov. 12th, 2024, the above board held their monthly meeting.

At 6:00 pm the Combined Planning and Zoning Board opened the meeting with an Area Bulk Variance request to grant a variance for location of accessory use in SR-1 district at 3735 State Route 15 for Jeff Lanter.

Chairman Woodward opened the hearing asking Mr. Lanter to discuss their variance request. Mr. Lanter stated they have recently purchased the property and wish to add on 24' x 24' garage. He stated the property consists of approx. 3 acres, the house has a 2-car garage which he has found is not enough space for 3 vehicles, gardening and lawn mowing equipment. There is a row of trees and brush which shield the view of the house from Route 15 and if this garage is added that it will not be seen from Rte. 15. The house sits 250 feet from Route 15 and based on the topography of the old strip mine property sloping from front to back, it would not be feasible to place the accessory structure behind the house and have drivable access to it. He ask the Board to consider a variance so that he could build a garage in front of his primary residence and make use of his present driveway in the front of his house. The garage will have vinyl siding to match the house.

Board members discussed the area bulk variance request.

Gary Henning *motioned to recommend the area bulk variance request.* Terry Gamblin *Seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Gary Mack - no, Mark White - yes, Terry Gamblin - yes, Rita Green - yes, Gary Henning - yes, Lee Smith - yes and Steve Woodward - yes. With 6 yes votes, 1 no votes, the recommendation to approve the bulk area variance was approved. This vote is final action.

During the Public Participation agenda item, Mike Armstrong with NAPA addressed the board. He stated he is the owner of the local NAPA, has purchased the old Dollar General building and the current appearance is not appealing and he wishes to make changes. The building currently has a 4 foot brick face on the front with the rest vinyl siding. He showed before and after pictures of the renovation of a Dollar General store he purchased in Sparta using metal siding. He ask the Board for their thoughts on allowing metal siding because this is a rehab and not new construction. Members of the Board explained the reasons for instituting the no metal buildings along the Village's business corridor. Informed Mr. Armstrong to consider alternative materials and come back with more information on the costs of metal vs. other materials.

cc: Seth Speiser, Mayor of Freeburg

Resolution No. 24-19
Resolution of Support

WHEREAS, the Village of Freeburg is applying to St. Clair County, Illinois, for the Parks Grant Funding Cycle 30; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an application be made and resolution agreed to by the Village of Freeburg Board of Trustees.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Village of Freeburg apply for a grant under the terms and conditions of St. Clair County Parks Grant Commission and shall agree to the understandings and assurances in said applications;
2. That the chief municipal officials on behalf of the village execute such documents and all other documents necessary for the carrying out of said application; and
3. That the chief municipal officials are authorized to provide such additional information as may be required to accomplish the obtaining of such grant.

Passed this 18th day of November, 2024.

Vote Recorded:

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

Resolution No. 24-19
Resolution of Support

Seth E. Speiser
Village President

ATTEST:

Approval as to Legal Form

Jerry Menard
Village Clerk

Frederick W. Keck
Village Attorney

RESOLUTION 24-20**A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE RELEASE OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg have met from time to time in closed session for purposes authorized by the Illinois Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, said minutes have been approved for content by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Public Act 95-1355, the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees have determined a need for confidentiality still exists as to the closed session minutes from the meetings set forth on Schedule "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Board of Trustees have further determined that the minutes of the meetings listed on Schedule "B" attached hereto no longer require confidential treatment and should be made available for public inspection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG:

SECTION ONE: The Closed Session minutes from those meetings set forth on Schedule "B" attached hereto are hereby released; and

SECTION TWO: That the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make said minutes available for inspection and copying in accordance with the standing procedures of the Clerk's Office; and

SECTION THREE: This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG,
ILLINOIS, THIS 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

Vote Recorded:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

Seth E. Speiser
Village President

ATTEST:

Jerry Menard
Village Clerk

Approval as to Legal Form:

Frederick W. Keck
Village Attorney

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

SCHEDULE "A"

To declare minutes for the closed sessions to remain closed because confidentiality still exists, for the following:

Electric Committee Minutes:

October 11, 2017	Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
August 12, 2020	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
March 10, 2021	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2) (Partial)
August 16, 2023	Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)

Finance Committee Minutes:

None

Legal/Ordinance Committee Minutes:

None

Personnel Committee Minutes:

May 30, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
November 28, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11) (Partial)
July 24, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
August 24, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
January 25, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)

Public Property (Streets) Committee Minutes:

November 13, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
June 16, 2021	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
August 11, 2021	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
September 15, 2021	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
May 11, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
June 15, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
August 10, 2022	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5) (Partial)
September 14, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
October 12, 2022	Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
November 16, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2) (Partial)
March 15, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
August 16, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
December 13, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

Public Works (Water/Sewer) Committee Minutes:

None

Committee as a Whole Minutes:

July 17, 2017	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
March 21, 203	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
November 13, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)

Village Clerk
(SEAL)

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

SCHEDULE "B"

To declare for the closed minutes to be opened for the public to inspect:

Electric Committee Minutes:

April 11, 2018	Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
August 15, 2018	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
February 13, 2019	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
April 10, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
July 10, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
August 14, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
October 16, 2019	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
August 12, 2020	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
March 10, 2021	Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11) and Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5) (Partial)
July 14, 2021	Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
May 11, 2022	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)

Finance Committee Minutes:

September 26, 2018	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5) and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
June 24, 2020	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)

Legal/Ordinance Committee Minutes:

October 25, 2017	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
January 24, 2018	Litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)

Personnel Committee Minutes:

January 24, 2018 #1	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
January 24, 2018 #2	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
March 28, 2018	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
August 29, 2018	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
November 28, 2018	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
February 27, 2019	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
July 24, 2019	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
August 28, 2019	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
October 30, 2019	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

August 25, 2021	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2) and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
September 29, 2021	Personnel – 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
October 26, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
January 25, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)

Public Property (Streets) Committee Minutes:

August 16, 2017	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
September 13, 2017	Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(21)
October 11, 2017	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
July 11, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
September 12, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
December 15, 2021	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
August 10, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
November 16, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2) (Partial)
March 15, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
June 14, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
August 16, 2024	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)
October 11, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
December 13, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) (Partial)

Public Works (Water/Sewer) Committee Minutes:

December 13, 2017	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
February 14, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
March 14, 2018	Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
April 11, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
May 16, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
August 15, 2018	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
February 12, 202	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
July 12, 2023	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)

Committee as a Whole Minutes:

August 28, 2013	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
January 20, 2015	Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(21)
March 30, 2015	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)

RESOLUTION 24-20 cont.

April 25, 2016	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5) and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11)
August 30, 2017	Executive Session Minutes – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(21)
January 10, 2018	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
April 17, 2018	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
March 2, 2020	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
September 22, 2020	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)
January 4, 2021	Real Estate - 5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5) and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(11) and Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)
June 1, 2021	Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)
March 7, 2022	Personnel – 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1) and Collective Bargaining 5ILCS 120/2-(c)(2)

Village Clerk
(SEAL)

VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

ORDINANCE NO. 1796

TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

ADOPTED BY THE
VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
VILLAGE OF FREEBURG
THIS 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2024

Published in pamphlet form by authority of the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois, this 18th day of November, 2024.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1796
TAX LEVY ORDINANCE**

An Ordinance levying taxes for all Corporate purposes for the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March 31, 2025.

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2024 - the Village Board of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, passed the Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the Village of Freeburg for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025, in the amount of \$22,516,745.00 which Ordinance was approved by the Village President and Village Board on June 17, 2024, and which Ordinance was published in pamphlet form and posted at the Municipal Center, 14 Southgate Center, Freeburg, Illinois.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the amount hereinafter set forth based on \$121,500,000 EAV, or so much thereof as may be authorized by law, and the same are hereby levied upon all property subject to taxation within the municipality as that property is assessed and equalized for the current year, and for such purposes as: General Corporate, Audit, Police Protection, Civil Defense (Emergency Services Disaster Agency), and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025.

SECTION 2. That the amount levied for each object and purpose is placed in a separate column under the heading "Amount to be Raised by Tax Levy", which appears over the same, being as follows, to wit:

1	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>LEVIED</u>
Personnel Services	\$156,891.00	
Contractual Services	\$126,350.00	
Commodities	\$ 12,390.00	
Capital Outlay	\$ 81,200.00	
Other Expenses	\$192,402.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$569,233.00	\$303,500.00

2	<u>ZONING</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 109,004.00	
	Contractual Services	\$ 66,150.00	
	Commodities	\$ 11,830.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 5,000.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 201,984.00	\$0.00
3	<u>POLICE PROTECTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$1,850,870.00	
	Contractual Services	\$ 354,410.00	
	Commodities	\$ 121,408.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 264,320.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 42,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$2,633,008.00	\$91,000.00
4	<u>STREET</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 372,485.40	
	Contractual Services	\$ 117,670.00	
	Commodities	\$ 182,700.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 211,400.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 50,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 934,255.40	\$0.00
5	<u>AUDIT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Contractual Services	\$ 15,540.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 15,540.00	\$11,100.00
6	<u>ESDA</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 3,990.00	
	Contractual Services	\$ 2,520.00	
	Commodities	\$ 7,140.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 16,800.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 35,450.00	\$26,750.00

7	<u>GARBAGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Contractual Services	\$ 469,000.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 4,200.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 473,200.00	\$0.00
8	<u>MOTOR FUEL TAX</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 0.00	
	Contractual Services	\$ 47,978.00	
	Commodities	\$ 0.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 609,140.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 25,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 682,118.00	\$0.00
9	<u>WATER FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 592,092.20	
	Contractual Services	\$ 1,105,860.00	
	Commodities	\$ 123,200.00	
	Water Debt Service	\$ 2,800.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 2,417,660.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 50,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$4,291,612.20	\$0.00
10	<u>WASTE WATER FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 465,861.20	
	Contractual Services	\$ 679,000.00	
	Commodities	\$ 121,800.00	
	Waste Water Debt Services	\$ 805,000.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 378,000.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 69,300.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$2,518,961.20	\$0.00

11	<u>ELECTRIC FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$1,273,801.20	
	Contractual Services	\$5,203,100.00	
	Commodities	\$ 331,100.00	
	Electric Debt Service	\$ 910,000.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 657,720.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 100,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$8,475,721.20	\$0.00

12	<u>SWIMMING POOL FUND</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Personnel Services	\$ 121,170.00	
	Contractual Services	\$ 11,900.00	
	Commodities	\$ 42,700.00	
	Debt Service	\$ 78,652.00	
	Capital Outlay	\$ 17,500.00	
	Other Expenses	\$ 25,000.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 296,922.00	\$0.00

13	<u>IMRF</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Municipal Retirement (IMRF)	\$ 125,580.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$ 125,580.00	\$125,580.00

14	<u>INSURANCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
		<u>APPROPRIATED</u>	<u>LEVIED</u>
	Debt Services	\$	
		1,263,160.00	
	TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED:	\$	\$0.00
		1,263,160.00	

SUMMARY:

CORPORATE LEVY	\$303,500.00
IMRF LEVY	\$125,580.00
POLICE PROTECTION LEVY	\$ 91,000.00
AUDIT LEVY	\$ 11,100.00
ESDA LEVY	\$ 26,750.00

TOTAL LEVY: \$557,930.00

SECTION 3. That the Village Clerk (or Deputy Clerk) shall make and file with the County Clerk of said County of St. Clair, on or before the last Tuesday in December, a duly certified copy of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. That if any section, subdivision, or sentence of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

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Approved this ____ day of November, 2024.

Seth Speiser, Village President

ATTEST:

Jerry Menard, Village Clerk

Approved as to Legal Form: _____
Village Attorney

**TRUTH IN TAXATION
CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE**

The undersigned, presiding officer of VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, hereby certifies that I am the presiding officer of the VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, and as such presiding officer I hereby certify that the levy ordinance, a copy of which is appended hereto, was adopted pursuant to, and in all respects in compliance with, the provisions of Sections 18-55 through 18-100 of the "Truth-In-Taxation" law.

CHECK ONE OF THE CHOICES BELOW:

- 1) The taxing district published a notice in the newspaper and conducted a hearing, meeting the requirements of the Truth in Taxation Law.
- 2) The taxing district's aggregate levy did not exceed a 5% increase over the prior year's extension. Therefore, notice and a hearing were not necessary.
- 3) The proposed aggregate levy did not exceed a 5% increase over the year's extension. Therefore, a hearing was not held. The adopted aggregate tax levy exceeded 105% of the prior year's extension and a notice was published within 15 days of its adoption in accordance with the Truth in Taxation Law.
- 4) The adopted levy exceeded the amount stated in the published notice. A second notice was published within 15 days of the adoption in accordance with the Truth in Taxation Law.

Certificate applies to the levy for the fiscal year commencing April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2025.

Date: _____

Seth Speiser, Village President

ATTEST:

Jerry Menard, Village Clerk

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR) SS
VILLAGE OF FREEBURG)

I, JERRY MENARD, being duly appointed, and acting Village Clerk of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois, and as such, the legal custodian of all records of said Village, do hereby certify that the attached foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of Ordinance 1796 of said Village, the same being entitled "TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG", FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2024, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2025."

I FURTHER CERTIFY that said Ordinance was duly and regularly adopted by the Village President and Village Board of the Village of Freeburg, St. Clair County, Illinois, at a duly convened meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, on the 18th day of November, 2024.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that said Ordinance 1796 was approved by the Village President of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois and that he duly affixed his signature thereto, and that said Ordinance was duly signed and attested by me, as Village Clerk of said Village; and that said Ordinance was duly recorded and filed in the Office of the Village Clerk and that the attached Ordinance is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears of record in the minutes of said Village Board meeting of November 18, 2024.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that the Village Board of said Village is composed of six Trustees and the Village President; that on November 18, 2024, at the duly convened meeting of said Village Board, when said Tax Levy Ordinance was adopted, that _____ Trustees and the Village President were present, and that said Ordinance was adopted by the _____ vote of all members of the Village Board who were present.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that a copy of this original Tax Levy Ordinance is hereby certified by me to the County Clerk of St. Clair County, Illinois, by Order of the Village Board as provided in said Ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Village of Freeburg, Illinois, this 18th day of November, 2024.

JERRY MENARD
Village Clerk
Village of Freeburg, Illinois

(SEAL)

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Seth Speiser

VILLAGE CLERK
Jerry Menard

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Lisa Meehling
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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING (Blaies/Carpenter/Kaiser/Meehling) Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairperson Mike Blaies, Trustee Tom Carpenter (5:33), Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Ray Matchett, Trustee Dana Miller, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Head Lineman Shane Krauss (absent), Village Attorney Fred Keck, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle (5:35). There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

- Approval of October 16, 2024 Minutes: Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the October 16, 2024, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
- Customer Issues: Public Works Director John Tolan said we had an issue in the alley of the 300 block of N. Alton & N. Monroe. A raccoon got in the transformer causing a brief outage. Also, due to the wind there was a broken pole on Rock Hill Lane that was replaced. There was no outage with that.
- IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: John said we got the notice to proceed from IMEA on the Marketplace LED lighting project for \$18,225.00. That will leave us with \$2,119.52 and we will receive another \$11,000 next May. We will do a final inspection when it's complete.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

John said he had a meeting with the southern group of IMEA. They discussed various things. He said Mascoutah has not signed their extension with IMEA yet but plans to. Still waiting on about 5-6 northern communities on whether or not they are coming in.

Village Administrator Matt Trout said he and Trustee Tom Carpenter went on the Prairie State Power Plant tour last week. He said it was very interesting. Trustee Lisa Meehling added she thought it was an awesome experience.

John said Head Lineman Shane Krauss is preparing a quote for 24 transformers that have failed. He said 12 will be scrapped and 12 will be refurbished. Once he gets that quote, he will present to the Board.


Tim said he did receive building permits for the EV chargers.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

Electric Committee Meeting Minutes
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E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn at 5:42 p.m. and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
Trash/Water/Sewer
(Kaiser/Blaies/Meehling/Miller)
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.

EXHIBIT I
VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
Matt Trout
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
John Tolan
POLICE CHIEF
Michael J. Schutzenhofer
ESDA COORDINATOR
Eugene Kramer
VILLAGE ENGINEER
Tim Pruett, P.E.
VILLAGE ATTORNEY
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of October 16, 2024 Minutes: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the October 16, 2024 minutes, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yeas, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant: Public Works Director John Tolan stated they had Metro-Ag haul away 96 gallons of sludge. A rep was out and pulled the last mixer and tighten the bolts. Plant is operating very well.
3. Sewer issues: John said there was a sewer issue over the weekend on Hill St. A resident was getting some sewage water in their unfinished basement. He said they ran a dye test through there and the main sewer line was flowing fine. The homeowner is going to contact a plumber. The guys have been out cleaning troubled sewer areas. We did have an issue at the lift station on Cemetery Road. There was a clog where it goes into the main.
4. FSH Minutes: Nothing to report.
5. Water System Upgrades: Village Engineer Tim Pruett said we finally got approval from the Tribal Nations. This moves us on to getting the loan application done. We continue to get the plans ready to be submitted to the IEPA.
6. Freeburg Car Wash: Matt said they did a test and to the best of their knowledge, it is about 75 gallons per deluxe car wash which equates to about \$1.88 in water/sewer. They plan to do another test. He said he doesn't feel it is a water/sewer issue.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

John said there is an issue in Sugar Creek. In one of the cul-de-sacs it appears the copper service lines are corroding. They plan to replace a couple of them from the main to the meter. Also, there was a water break on West Apple at the Sunset Apartments.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
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D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Dana Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Downen".

Mary Downen
Office Manager

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Public Property Committee Meeting
Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation
(Matchett/Carpenter/Kaiser/Miller)
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR
Matt Trout
PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
John Tolan
POLICE CHIEF
Michael J. Schutzenhofer
ESDA COORDINATOR
Eugene Kramer
VILLAGE ENGINEER
Tim Pruett, P.E.
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The meeting of the Public Property Committee was called to order at 6:03 p.m., on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, by Chairman Ray Matchett. Members present were Chairman Ray Matchett, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. Guests present via Zoom: None.

POOL:

A. OLD BUSINESS: Public Works Director John Tolan said they took the diving board platform to get it power coated. There is also a broken cable on one of the umbrellas and they will work on getting that fixed.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

- Approval of October 16, 2024 Minutes: Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the October 16, 2024, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
- Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: John said a couple of things. After the last big rain there was a clogged culvert on Main St. and Koester. He said Crew Leader Bob Jenkins found out on Country Side Lane there is a culvert that is washed out. They will need to look at it and see what is going on. They have come up with a plan regarding the issue on Silverthorne. They are waiting for better weather, and they plan to do a swale instead of a culvert.
- Customer Issues: John said on Westview as you are going out of town there is a large Oak tree that is dead and dropping limbs. It is a bit taller than we can handle so we are going to have a tree service take the top off and then we can drop the rest. There is a big Maple tree on South Monroe St. that is tearing up the sidewalk that we will take down as well.
- MFT: Village Engineer Tim Pruett said everything has been approved through IDOT so we will be cutting a check to Christ Brothers this week.
- Professional Metal Works Expansion: John said they successfully moved the hydrant. They are working on the entrance and should pour concrete on Monday.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

Street Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 13, 2024

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VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

1. Smithton Athletic Association Donation Request: The committee agreed to donate a 10-day pool pass.

2. Resolution #24-19: A Resolution in Support of St. Clair County Parks Grant: Tim said he is working on it. Bob has gotten prices on the various equipment they are looking to get. He said this grant is for maintenance & equipment. Trustee Tom Carpenter asked how much the grant is for. Tim responded \$30,000.

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of Resolution #24-19: A Resolution in Support of the St. Clair County Parks Grant, and trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

John said they are working on sidewalks. They have replaced sidewalks on N. Edison St., and they are working on the South Richland area. He also stated they started the leaf pick-up this week.

Village Administrator Matt Trout said he has been going through the executive session minutes.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS:

Trustee Tom Carpenter asked about the backhoe. There was a discussion about replacing the 2005 backhoe.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet commented on the wallpaper and the exhaust fan in the women's restroom.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m., and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Mary Downen
Office Manager