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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA – APRIL 17, 2023 - 7:30 P.M.**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting
  - 4 – 1. April 3, 2023 – Board Meeting Minutes – **Exhibit A**
5. Finance
6. Treasurer’s Report
7. Attorney’s Report
8. ESDA Report – ESDA Report for April 17, 2023 – **Exhibit B**
9. Public Participation
10. Reports and Correspondence –
  - 10 – 1. Zoning Administrator’s Report – **Exhibit C**
11. Recommendations of Boards and Commissions
12. Contracts, Releases, Agreements and Annexations
13. Bids
14. Resolutions
15. Ordinances
  - 15 – 1. Ordinance #1760: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 24 of the Revised Code of the Village of Freeburg (Traffic Schedules) – **Exhibit D**
16. Old Business
17. New Business
  - 17 – 1. Recommend Hire of Jennifer Hopfinger as Co-Manager of the Pool
18. Appointments
19. Committee Meeting Minutes/Recommendations
  - 19 – 1. Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. – **Exhibit E**
    - 19-1a. Recommend Paden Muskopf Promotion to Step 4 Increase Retroactive to March 22, 2023 at \$33.04 per hour, and \$33.95 per hour effective April 1, 2023
  - 19 – 2. Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 5:45 p.m. – **Exhibit F**
  - 19 – 3. Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 6:00 p.m. – **Exhibit G**
    - 19-3a. Recommend Hailey Winkelmann be hired for the concession stand
    - 19-3b. Recommend Stop Sign at N. Cherry be moved to E. Mill/N. Vine
    - 19-3c. Recommend Hire of Andrew Dumstorff as a Full-Time Police Officer
    - 19-3d. Recommend transfer of \$28,279.71 to the Insurance Stability Fund
20. Upcoming Meetings
  - 20 – 1. Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
  - 20 – 2. Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.
  - 20 – 3. Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
  - 20 – 4. Board Meeting – Monday, May 1, 2023 – 7:30 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)].

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VILLAGE CLERK  
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Mike Blaies  
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## VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MINUTES MONDAY, APRIL 3, 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, April 3, 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 Denise Albers – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trust Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – here; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap –absent; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (6 present, 1 absent) Mayor Seth Speiser announced there is a quorum.

**EXHIBIT A:**  
Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 for approval.

*Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Monday, March 20, 2023, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

**EXHIBIT B:**  
**FINANCE:**  
Trustee Denise Albers (Chairperson) reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 5:31 p.m.

- REVISE OF BOARD LISTS:** Trustee Albers said we Reviewed the Board Lists. We had some questions: United States Treasury \$80.28 – patient center outcome fees for health insurance; Verizon Wireless, \$3,709.19 – employees purchase of cell phones; Country Mart, \$140.01- police office/general supplies and retirement lunch; At. Clair County Auditor, \$19,331.09 – calls incurred in 2022;
- REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS:** Trustee Albers said nothing due until next year.
- INCOME STATEMENT:** Trustee Albers said we reviewed the Income Statement. Trustee Albers said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg stated we are at 90%, and everything looks really good.



**4. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Trustee Albers stated we have received treasurer's reports from Treasurer Vogel and this will be taken care of under Treasurers Report on the agenda.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Attorney Invoices: Trustee Albers stated we reviewed the Attorney Invoices.
2. Newsletter: The newsletter went out the previous week.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**EXHIBIT C:**

1. Project Request #23-02:Transformer Purchase for stock and future business: Trustee Albers said we received a request from the Public Works Department for a total of seven transformers for stock and future growth. The B&B Transformer quote for five 15 KVA pole mounts at \$12,315 each, and two 75 KVA at \$12,310 each. One of the KVA transformer s is for the commercial property on North State Street.

2. TWM Engineer Agreement for SAVE Site Elevated Water Storage Tank and Phase 2 Water Main Improvements: Trustee Albers said we received the engineer agreement from TWM for the SAVE Site Elevated Water Storage Tank and Phase 2 Water Main Improvements. After discussing the agreement, we decided it is time to move forward with this project. We will not make the funding list for this July. If we proceed with this, we will be ready to go if there are excess funds in January. Trustee Albers said Public Works Director John Toland advised the engineering fees should run around 8% the cost of the project and submit to the board the proposal from TWM the cost of \$95,500 for Elevated Water Storage Tank Project and \$198,500 for Phase 2 Water Main Improvements

**EXHIBIT C:**

Mayor Speiser stated we had Project Request #23-02 Transformer Purchase for stock and future business.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to the approval of the Project Request #23-02 for Transformers for stock and future business in the amount of \$36,195.00 and Trustee James (Mike) Blaies seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.***

**EXHIBIT D:**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mayor Speiser stated we have the Treasurer's Reports from November 2022 to February 2023

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned for the approval of the Treasurer's Reports, 11/30/22, 12/31/22, 1/31/23, and 2/28/23 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, the motion carried.**

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

**EXHIBIT E:**

**ESDA REPORT:** Mayor Speiser stated Gene has some health condition and will not be here tonight. If anyone has any questions, they can get a hold of Village Administrator Tony Funderburg.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet asked about TWM. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg answered her question.

**REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**EXHIBIT F:**

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT FOR APRIL 3, 2023:** Mayor Speiser asked does anyone have any questions on Zoning Administrator Matt Trout's report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

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

**EXHIBIT G:**

**RESOLUTIONS:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #23-04 A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter Into and the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with TWM, Inc., for Phase 2 Water Main Improvements.

*Trustee Denise Albers motion to adopt Resolution #23-04 by title only and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion. ROLL CALL:* Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

**EXHIBIT H:**

**RESOLUTIONS:** Mayor Speiser stated we have Resolution #23-05 A Resolution Authorizing the Village to Enter Into and the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with TWM, Inc., for SAVE Site Elevated Water Storage Tank.

*Trustee Denise Albers motion to adopt Resolution #23-05 by title only and Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser seconded the motion.* **ROLL CALL:** Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett Jr. – aye; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – aye; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – aye; Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap – absent; (5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent). **All voting aye, motion carried.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None.

**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

**EXHIBIT I:**

**Committee As A Whole Meeting:**

**Mayor Speiser said we held a Committee As A Whole Meeting on Monday, March 6, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. Are there any questions on the minutes?**

**EXHIBIT J:**

**Committee As A Whole Meeting:**

**Mayor Speiser said we held a Committee As A Whole Meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 @ 5:39 p.m. Are there any questions on the minutes?**

**EXHIBIT K:**

**Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling (Acting Chairperson) reported on the Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 5:55 p.m.

**The following item or items were talked about or discussed:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Meehling said we had 8 building permits which included 2 fences, 1 fire restoration, 1 shed, 1 sign, 1 pool, 1 wrecking, 1 new home in Meadow Pines and 8 occupancy permits. Matt is working with several properties to get them cleaned up.
2. Meadow Pines/Edison Estates Subdivisions: Trustee Meehling said Zoning Administrator Matt Trout did speak with Alex about the mud in the detention area. Meadow Pines. There is nothing new to report on Edison Estates.

Attorney Keck advised the committee Mr. Despain and Garrett Hoerner have meet with the county, and they are willing to fund Mr. Despain's project. They are going to petition to de-annex from the Village of Freeburg. Neither the Village nor the Park District has the money for this project. Attorney Keck confirmed he has the right to petition since annexation agreement is outside of the 20-year timeframe. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg concern is what will be going into Despain's project that adjoins a single-family residential district. Tony will monitor that and attend all of the county zoning meeting to protect our citizens and property values. The committee discussed entering into a mutual agreement for easements, following IDNR specification and take car of the outstanding ordinance violations. Attorney Keck stated the contractor still has three day's work that needs to be completed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Trustee Matchett asked what is going on at the storage units on Noth State. That is a temporary Ameren staging area for a large gas project.

**EXHIBIT L:**

**Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:**

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling reported on the Personnel/Police Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 6:24 p.m.

**POLICE:**

**OLD BUSIENSS:**

Trustee Meehling said Chief Schutzenhofer stated he has two candidates for the position and will get them scheduled for this week for interview. He summarized the calls since the last meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**PERSONNEL:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. CDL: Village Administrator Tony Funderburg stated elected officials don't seem to care. He believes the next step should be to have an employee take the class and then become a certified trainer.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, April 12, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, April 17, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

**VILLAGE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:**

**Trustee Denise Albers** – She would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter

**Trustee Elizabeth Meehling** – Happy Easter and don't forget tomorrow is election day.

**Trustee Michael (Mike) Heap** – absent

**Village Clerk Jerry Menard** – Happy Easter and get out there and vote.

**Mayor Seth Speiser** –

**Trustee James (Mike) Blaies** – He would like to wish Gene a speedy recovery.

**Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr.** – He would like to wish Gene a speedy recovery.

**Trustee Robert (Bob) Kaiser** – He would like to wish Gene a speedy recovery.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**

**Village Administrator Tony Funderburg** – No thank you.

**Public Works Director John Tolan** – No thank you.

**Zoning Administrator Matt Trout** – There is a card back there in the office for Gene if wish to sign it.

**Chief of Police Mike Schutzenhofer** – No thank you.

**ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer** – absent.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Seth Speiser called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling motioned to adjourn the Regular Board meeting of April 3, 2023 at 7:41 p.m., Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. and seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk

ESDA Report

Date April: 17, 2023

To Mayor & Village Trustees

1. Provided NWS Meteorologist Melissa Mainhart with requested local “newspaper” articles for past 6 months related to Severe Weather Safety data, per WRN and StormReady® requirements.
2. Follow up inquires through Admin. Tony T.’s office on the reimbursement check and amount status from our recent return of the new tornado siren equipment to them.
3. Contact with NWS office and follow up data on next Severe Weather potential for our area covering late Saturday /early Sunday of April 15/April 16, 2023 with ESDA staff notifications for potential Storm Shelter managers schedule changes during this period.
4. FEMA and HSIN briefings received and reviewed as it related to “cyber” threat potentials to EMA data bases
5. ARES/RACES® support communication Tuesday evening radio nets continued with support communicator ESDA member Phil C., for April 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> via SCARC VHF repeater system.

Respectfully submitted by,

Eugene Kramer, Coord.

Freeburg ESDA



# FREEBURG VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ZONING REPORT

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Matt Trout Zoning Administrator

Over the past month I continue to send letters out to problem properties. Some have started to clean up or follow up with return phone calls. I will continue to follow up on the letters sent to check in on progress. Work is beginning to take place on some of the properties that had disasters. 5 S Alton has started their work on the brick. The duplex on Southgate has really started to take shape over the last few weeks. The wrecking permit for 11 Cardinal Court has been obtained.

This past week was a big week at the sewer plant. Several big items have been checked off the list such as the aeration equipment and walkway has been fully installed. The casework in the lab has been installed. Electrical work around the plant is taking place daily. John and myself met with Haier and Guarantee on 4/14/23 about light placement around the tanks and some other items. After that, John and myself did a walk through of the plant checking out various things that have been completed or needs completed.

Corey Miller of KSDK spoke at the April 12<sup>th</sup> Chamber of Commerce Meeting. Corey was a great speaker and the event had great attendance. The Freeburg Police and Public Safety Golf Outing is May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the Freeburg Fall Festival will be September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>

- 1 -- Occupancy Permit
- 5 - Permits
  - 3 Fence
  - 1 Driveway
  - 1 Wrecking Permit

**ORDINANCE NO. 1761**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 24 OF THE REVISED  
CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ST. CLAIR  
COUNTY, ILLINOIS (TRAFFIC SCHEDULES)**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THAT:

CHAPTER 24, SCHEDULE A, THROUGH AND STOP STREETS, Sub-schedule (I), is hereby amended to remove the following stop sign:

**Through Street:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Stop Street** \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Mill Street and N. Cherry Street

Add the following SCHEDULE A, Sub-schedule III. FOUR-WAY STOPS:

**Stop Street:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Stop Street** \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Mill Street and N. Vine Street

PASSED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, AND APPROVED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF April, 2023.

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ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN \_\_\_\_\_

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Jerry Menard, Village Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2023.

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Seth Speiser, Village President

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry Menard, Village Clerk

Approval as to Legal Form

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village Attorney

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT**  
Seth Speiser

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## ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING (Blaies/Albers/Heap/Meehling) Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Ray Matchett, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson (via Zoom). Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

### A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of March 15, 2023 Minutes: Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the March 15, 2023 minutes, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Customer Issues: Head Lineman Shane Krauss reported we fared well with all the storms. There was a broken pole on S. Richland, and we were able to keep the power on while that was replaced. We had a limb on a service on E. Mill, and a bad connection not related to the storm on Phil Kate. Public Works Director John Tolan advised of an outage on south side of Southgate with 4 duplexes out due to a cutout fuse where the older porcelain insulated line cracked. We also had an arrestor blow at the lagoon blowing a couple of fuses. He commented on the correct procedure to report an outage rather than posting it on Facebook.
3. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Public Works Director John Tolan nothing new to report other than Ace received their check. Matt and Shane provided information to the owner of the Dori Marine property.
4. Generator Upgrades: Shane worked out all the kinks that we had with the import mode being the big issue. Testing was performed on all engines, with all of our electric crew present. The last invoice was received and paid this week. This is now complete.
5. New Transformer at 807 N. State: Shane said he ordered the transformer one specific to that place. We will put the larger one in place until the new transformer comes in.

Shane asked if we created any agreement for infrastructure purchasing. Tony said that is in our code, and John will look into it.

- B. NEW BUSINESS:** Zoning Administrator Matt Trout advised we have someone on Old Fayetteville Road who wants to install solar, and doesn't think the village is doing their part. He has a meter on both his shed and house and wants to put solar on his shed which doesn't use very much. He thinks the village should change how we bill it, and is trying to take his

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problem and make it our problem. Matt gave him options and told him there is a process to this by completing the net metering application. His option would be at his cost which is the issue. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg stated we have a very well written policy and it is a great system.

Shane advised Paden is up for his step 4 increase. He has completed the time and the class, and he is recommending this. His next step will be journeyman lineman.

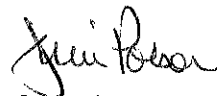
*Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board Paden Muskopf be promoted to Step 4 at an hourly rate of \$33.04 retroactive to March 22, 2023, and a rate increase effective April 1, 2023 at \$33.95, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

John said at the last meeting, they were advised the Sierra Club is suing Prairie State saying they don't have the proper EPA operating permit. John said there is a lot of changing of the guard with Dale Detmer from Breese, Dick Simon from Rock Falls, Tim Burk from Waterloo, and Rick Ebel from Metropolis leaving.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet received letter from IESMA, and she sent them a letter about Freeburg. She received notice from them that they selected her nomination and are receiving award. Janet said everyone is invited. It will be held in Springfield.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn at 5:51 p.m., and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



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Office Manager

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**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Trash/Water/Sewer

(Kaiser/Blaies/Heap/Meehling)

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:51 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2023, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Denise Alber, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson (via Zoom). Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

**A. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of March 15, 2023 minutes: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the March 15, 2023 minutes, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan: Zoning Administrator Matt Trout stated the project is moving along very nicely. All of aeration equipment has arrived and is mostly installed. Burns is sending several people here the first part of June to address our punch list, and the start up will be done around that time. He has not received a new pay request. We will have a change order coming for Guarantee Electric on everything that was missed in the design. That should amount to about \$28,000.
3. Sewer issues: John stated we had the blown fuses on the aerator during the storm.
4. FSH Minutes: John commented Smithton is preparing to paint their water tower at a cost of \$450,000 for both the inside and outside. We did some simulations on how we could operate the pumps with their tower down. A stipulation was made that they cannot do this work during peak time.
5. Water System Study: John spoke to Scott about wanting a lot of communication with these projects, and would like to see him at this meeting to provide updates.

- B. NEW BUSINESS:** John submitted our lead inventory to the EPA today for the 2,217 services advising of the number of lead, copper and plastic and unknown. We have a substantial amount unknown. That will have to be completed in the next year. He expects to have less than 5 lead services. We will be replacing those that have galvanized lines into the house. EPA is offering funding to replace those lines into the house. There isn't a hard deadline to replace them all. Buddy has been calling the residents that haven't responded or had questions. We have about 1300 surveys back out of 2200. We have a waiver to sign if the residents don't want us coming into their home.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

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We moved the water meter outside at 12 N. Monroe. Spring clean up is scheduled for April 20-22<sup>nd</sup>.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m., and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,  
Office Manager

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**Public Property Committee Meeting**  
**Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation**  
**(Matchett/Albers/Heap/Kaiser)**  
**Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**

The meeting of the Public Property Committee was called to order at 6:05 p.m., on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, by Chairman Ray Matchett. Members present were Chairman Ray Matchett, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson (via Zoom). Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

## **POOL: A. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Pool Safety Cover: Public Works Director John Tolan confirmed the pool cover has arrived, and will be installed prior to the pool opening
2. Pool Employee Hires: Zoning Administrator Matt Trout said we are still in need of lifeguards. He has posted updates on Facebook and reached out to the high school. Scott will ask the current guards if they know of anyone that would be interested. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg said we may need to think about limiting services.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board Hailey Winkelmann be hired as a lifeguard at \$13 per hour for the 2023 pool season, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

## **B. NEW BUSINESS: None**

## **STREETS: A. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of March 15, 2023 Minutes: *Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the March 15, 2023 Minutes, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*
2. E. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: John advised a clogged culvert by W. High/Monroe was cleaned out, and the crews have completed the work on E. Mill.
3. Customer Issues: A resident stated the trash truck created ruts on Cherry Tree Lane. Our trash guy said he had permission to back up in the resident's driveway, and said there was tree trimmers there. John had the ruts fixed.
4. Wolf Road Project: Matt advised Andy Mueller talked to East/West Gateway, and they are waiting on IDOT. Matt spoke with John Harryman who was told by various resources that the gas line is being replaced.

5. MFT: We have received IDOT's approval of this year's MFT program. Andy Mueller is preparing the bid to go out for the oil, rock and slag. He is gathering information on resurfacing Savanna Oaks. We will bring those estimates to committee.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Steven Tomei Request for a Stop Sign at E. Mill and N. Vine: John stated there was a stop sign at E. Mill/Cherry several years ago. We are recommending taking the one from Cherry and putting it at Vine since there is a lot of traffic done Vine. This would space out the stop signs and makes the most sense. The committee agreed with that suggestion. Tony stated we will look at Edison and High.

*Trustee Mike Heap motioned to recommend to the full Board to move the stop sign from N. Cherry to E. Mill and N. Vine, and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

2. Hire of Full-Time and Part-Time Police Officers: Chief Schutzenhofer commented we interviewed two people last Tuesday. He spoke with one of the interviewees today, and he declined the position. He advised Andrew Dumsdorf lives in Belleville and has completed the academy. He would like to hire him as a full-time officer. He advised Ms. Brink is looking at a grant that would pay for a full-time SRO at the elementary school. Tony commented that grant is not a good because it has certain rules that we would have to follow and things we would have to do.

*Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board the hire of Andrew Dumsdorf as a full-time police officer, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

3. Insurance Stability Fund Transfer: Tony advised this is the small final transfer that had to be completed.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board the transfer in the amount off \$28,279.71 for the insurance stability fund, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

John advised spring leaf pickup is this week. Everyone completed the CPR/AED training conducted by IMUA. We also had a few part-time and township personnel attend.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Denise Albers motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m., and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson  
Office Manager