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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-07, THE PUBLIC CAN PARTICIPATE THROUGH THE ZOOM CLOUD MEETING APPLICATION AND CLICKING ON THE FOLLOWING LINK:**

**Meeting ID 447 872 7673**

**Join URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4478727673>**

We ask the public to mute their phone or mic until Public Participation  
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March 13, 2023

## NOTICE MEETING OF THE ELECTRIC COMMITTEE (Blaies/Albers/Heap/Meehling)

An Electric Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, on **Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**

### ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

- I. Items to be Discussed
  - A. Old Business
    1. Approval of February 15, 2023 Minutes
    2. Customer Issues
    3. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant
    4. Generator Upgrades
  - B. New Business
    1. New Transformer at 807 N. State
    2. Unpaid Bill
  - C. General Concerns
  - D. Public Participation
  - E. Adjourn

At said Electric Committee Meeting, the Village 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)], litigation [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(11)] personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(1)], collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(2) or real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(5)].

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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
(Blaies/Albers/Heap/Meehling)  
Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling (absent), Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Ray Matchett, Public Works Director John Tolan, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout (absent), Village Attorney Fred Keck, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson (absent). Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of January 11, 2023 Minutes: Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the January 11, 2023 minutes, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Customer Issues: Head Lineman Shane Krauss reported a tree trimmer dropped a tree limb on our wire, and it happened again the next day. Julie is working with Officer Ruhmann on this claim. Shane stated we had a city-wide outage on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. The power went out at 3:24 p.m., the first circuit was on at 3:44 p.m., and the last circuit went on at 3:54 p.m.
3. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Shane completed the final walk through on Ace Hardware's project on February 1<sup>st</sup>. They should submit their final to IMEA.
4. Generator Upgrades: There are still some tweaks that need to be made to the system.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:** Shane advised the USEPA is starting to crack down on emissions on generators like the older Worthington we have. John said IMEA has selected 25 engines that are considered an aged unit to test and obtain data to see if they may have problems with the emissions. When you get your air permit, you ou get a 15-minute windows for start up, shut down and malfunction. John said they are going after the 15-minute windows. The Worthington performed okay in the urge tests we had. Tony attended a luncheon where a speaker addressed bringing industry to the state. The speaker spoke about how horrible our utilities are. He hopes this will show the state government how important this issue is. Tony commented our rates are affordable compared to other companies

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** Trustee Denise Albers motioned to adjourn at 5:45 p.m., and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Julie Polson  
Office Manager



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checks. If any check submitted in payment for utility services, deposits, or other utility related is returned unpaid due to insufficient funds, or for any other reason, there shall be a Service Fee .00 assessed and added to the account. This fee shall be in addition to any other amounts due and able on the account.

Ord. No. 1229; 10-02-06; Ord. No. 1594, 6-6-16; Ord. No. 1715, § 2, 6-21-21; Ord. No. 1748, 9-6-22)

### 38-2-2. - CONSUMER LISTS.

It is made the Clerk's duty to prepare or cause to be prepared a complete and accurate list of all premises and properties receiving utility services, showing the name and address of the occupant and the owner of the same. The list shall be kept up-to-date and shall be corrected from time to time to allow changes in the occupancy or ownership of any such property or premises. It shall be presented at the second regular monthly meeting.

### 38-2-3. - LIABILITY FOR CHARGES.

The owner of any lot, parcel of land, or premises receiving utilities services, the occupant of such premises, and the user of the services shall be jointly and severally liable for the payment of the services to such lot, parcel of land, or premises and all services are rendered to the premises by the Village only on the condition that such owner, occupant, and user shall be jointly and severally liable therefor to the Village.

### 38-2-6. - NO FREE SERVICE.

No free service shall be furnished to any person or corporation, public or private, and all rates and charges shall be nondiscriminatory, provided that the Mayor and Village Board reserve the right to impose special rates and charges in cases where particular circumstances render the regular rates inadequate or unjust.