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January 13, 2014

NOTICE MEETING OF THE ELECTRIC COMMITTEE (Blaies/Smith/Niebruegge)

An Electric Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, **Wednesday, January 15, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.**

ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

I. Items to be Discussed

A. Old Business

1. Approval of December 11, 2013 minutes
2. Acquiring Ameren Customers
3. Portable Generator replacement
4. Wiegmann's project
5. Shed
6. Risk assessment conducted by insurance company
7. Rate Study

B. New Business

1. IMUA Scholarship Program
2. Surplus temporary service poles

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)]; or real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(5)].

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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 by Chairman Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Steve Smith, Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge, Mayor Seth Speiser, Trustee Matt Trout, Trustee Dean Pruet, Public Works Director John Tolan, Head Lineman Shane Krauss and Office Manager Julie Polson.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of December 11, 2013 Minutes: Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to approve the December 11, 2013 minutes with correction and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.
2. Acquiring Ameren customers: Head Lineman Shane Krauss said this is on hold until after the completion of the rate study. He would like this item taken off the agenda for now.
3. Portable Generator Replacement: Shane said there is nothing new with this right now.
4. Wiegmann's project: Shane said the weather has been an issue recently but this project should start back up shortly.
5. Shed: Shane advised the heating guy was there today and the boiler was also in today. The lighting should be delivered next week. He is hoping to have heat sometime next week. All of the doors are working properly.
6. Risk assessment conducted by insurance company: Shane stated they will start performing the assessments this month. He said it is more recording keeping and documenting that the assessments were done. Public Works Director John Tolan said BHM&G gave us a schedule of EPA's deadlines.

Shane said we had a bushing leak which caused moisture on a breaker that controls the main transformer at the north sub. This caused some power outages and we were able to reroute our power. Everything is being powered from the old plant. It is going to take about three weeks to get the bushing in. We are looking at around \$1900. Chuck from BHM&G will take care of ordering it and we will install it. John said they did come out and helped trouble shoot when this happened. Shane advised when we get into replace the bushing, they will inspect all six bushings in the switch.

7. Rate Study: Shane needs to reschedule the meeting with Verbal Blakey and will contact her to see if she is available on February 3, 2014 at 5:45 p.m.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. IMUA Scholarship Program: Julie advised IMUA offers this scholarship program every year and we have not advertised it in the past. She said Tammy from IMUA is willing to help with anything we might need. Julie will forward the information to the Tribune as well as place it on the website.
2. Surplus temporary service poles: Shane said this is in reference to us providing temporary service. He would like to surplus our temporary service equipment and if no-one bids on it, he would like to scrap it. He said he is going to keep a couple of the better services for our use. the committee agreed with Shane's request and we will get this advertised in the paper.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge motioned to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. and Trustee Steve Smith seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:37 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2013 by Chairman Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Steve Smith, Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge, Mayor Seth Speiser, Public Works Director John Tolan, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guest present: Janet Baechle.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of November 13, 2013 Minutes: Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the November 13, 2013 minutes with correction and Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.
2. Acquiring Ameren customers: On hold.
3. Portable Generator Replacement: Shane ordered a 30-gallon tank for the portable generator which is in service. Shane would like to hold off on the other generator until next budget. He would like to look into purchasing a 100-gallon portable tank to transport fuel.
4. Wiegmann's project: Shane said we have a slight outage scheduled for this weekend. The Wiegmann's project target completion is mid January.
5. Shed: Shane gave the model number to the supplier and it does not match the voltage he needs. He has left several emails for Joe to contact him. Shane said he got the specs on his own but wants to confirm the model number. Seth will get in touch with Joe. John advised the transformer is set and the guys are doing some inside work on the shed now. The committee discussed the next round of LED lighting grants. They agreed to use the money on Village properties. There is an upfront cost of \$10,500 and after the grant money is received, the Village's portion would be \$2,000.

Trustee Steve Smith motioned to recommend to the full Board we approve LED lighting for Village Hall, the old power plant and new shed not to exceed \$11,000 and Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

6. Risk assessment conducted by insurance company: Shane has nothing new at this time.

7. Transformer bids/Surplus Transformers: Shane is holding off on this until the Wiegmann's project is complete since he plans to surplus some of those transformers.
 8. Cost of electric materials: Administrator Funderburg said we will concentrate on getting this done this month. The committee discussed establishing a set fee for an electric service. We have approved St. Clair County Building and Zoning's agreement effective 1/1/14 and Tony would like this to be updated and included in that packet.
 9. APPA Legislative Rally: Tony and Shane will be attending this year's rally. Item can be taken off the agenda.
 10. Rate Study: We met with Verbal of BHM&G on Tuesday morning. She would like to wait until Debbie has the electric fund updated after the start of the new fiscal year. This will give her more up-to-date numbers to work with. Verbal will review the information we provided to see if there is anything we can do in the short term so we can start saving now.
- B. NEW BUSINESS:** None.
- C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.
- D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.
- E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Steve Smith motioned to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson
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January 7, 2014

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Dear IMUA Utility Member/Scholarship Program Contact:

Since its inception in 2000, the IMUA Scholarship Program has awarded \$32,000 to 64 students from 28 different IMUA communities statewide. It has proven to be a very popular and successful program, providing achievement, recognition and a measure of college financial assistance to dozens of outstanding high school seniors in public-power communities throughout Illinois.

Enclosed are informational materials regarding the **2014 IMUA Scholarship Program**. These include an *application form, 2014 program guidelines and questions sheet along with a customizable news release*. As the primary IMUA contact for your municipality, I'm asking that you distribute copies of these materials to the media outlets and high schools in your respective area. In particular, I suggest you contact teachers of senior English, Civics and Journalism courses who might want to include the essay competition as part of an extra credit project for students in their respective classes. *If you'd like, IMUA staff can assist you with the distribution of these materials, so please feel free to contact Tammy Hall at IMUA at (217) 789-4632 or thall@imea.org, should you like assistance in this regard.*

As in the past, *there is no obligation or fee for IMUA members who participate in the program*. However, any monetary donations to this worthwhile program are always welcome. Further, all donations are fully allocated to the program and in some instances, *may be tax deductible*. If you'd like to contribute, I ask that you consider making a **\$75 minimum** donation in support of this year's program.

I strongly encourage your participation in the program. That's because IMUA and its members have realized a number of positive benefits from the competition itself. First, scholarship recipients in IMUA member communities have enjoyed a significant amount of goodwill, recognition and publicity generated by the awards presentations themselves. Second, the program offers your municipality the opportunity to increase public awareness about the vital role your utility plays in local economic development and growth. Third, and perhaps most important of all, it enables the youth of your community to better understand the nature of the many diverse and complex energy issues and challenges facing consumers and the public power industry today. As always, please feel free to contact **Ed Cobau** or **Tammy Hall** at (217) 789-4632 should you have any questions regarding the program or require assistance with distribution of these materials.

On behalf of IMUA and the members of its Scholarship Judging Committee, we look forward to your participation, and wish you and your community's students the best of luck in this year's competition!

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Gaden, President & CEO, IMUA