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FREEBURG REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016 @ 7:30 P.M. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Village Clerk Jerry Menard called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, March 7, 2016 in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Those present and the Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to appoint Trustee Mike Blaies to Acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor Seth Speiser and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Lisa Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Mayor Seth Speiser – absent; All voting aye, motioned carried.

Acting Mayor Mike Blaies resumed Regular Board Meeting at 7:32 p.m. with Roll Call.

ROLL CALL: Trustee Matt Trout – here; Trustee Lisa Meehling – here; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Dean Pruett – here; Acting Mayor Mike Blaies – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – absent (6 present, 1 absent). Acting Mayor Blaies announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Acting Mayor Blaies stated we have the minutes from the Tuesday, February 16, 2016 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to accept the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, February 16, 2016 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

EXHIBIT B:

FINANCE:

Trustee Ramon Matchett called the meeting of Finance Committee to order at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2016.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

REVIEW OF BOARD LISTS: Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Board Lists. We had some questions which got answered and taking care of.

REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS: Trustee Matchett said we reviewed the Investments.

INCOME STATEMENT: Trustee Matchett stated we reviewed the Income Statement.

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EXHIBIT B:

TREASURER’S REPORT: We had a Treasurer’s Report from our Treasurer Bryan Vogel to look at and review to be approved.

Trustee Ramon Matchett motioned to recommend the Treasurer’s Report for July 31, 2015, August 31, 2015 and September 30, 2015 for approval and Trustee Matt Trout seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sign at Industrial Park: Nothing new this.
2. 3-5 Year Plan: Trustee Matchett said the 3 to 5 year plan will be worked on after the budget has been approved.
3. Newsletter: Trustee Matchett said the Newsletter is also being worked on.
4. Budget: We had a Committee As A Whole Meeting to discuss the proposed budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Matchett said the TF stated the Village Hall HVAC system needs to be replaced as soon as possible. The bids are already out. We are looking to replace the administrator office and police department windows with bullet-proof glass. We do have 3 quotes that are in for this project. The committee is looking at having a swipe-card door access system installed. The cost of these projects are in the budget.

TREASURER’S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: None

ESDA REPORT: Acting Mayor Blaies said ESDA Coordinator Gene emailed his report and we all should have received it.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDANCE:

EXHIBIT D:

Zoning Administrator’s Report: Acting Mayor Blaies said next we have our Zoning Administrator’s Report. Are there any questions for Zoning Administrator Henning? Hearing none we will move on.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS AND ANNEXATIONS. None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT E:

ORDINANCE: Acting Mayor Blaies stated we have Ordinance #1572. An Ordinance Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute a Contract between the Village of Freeburg Police Department and St. Clair County for Coordinated Communication Services

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to adopt Ordinance #1572 by title only and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Lisa Meehling – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

EXHIBIT F:

ORDINANCE: Acting Mayor Blaies stated we have Ordinance #1573. An Ordinance Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Waste Management.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to adopt Ordinance #1573 by title only and Trustee Dean Pruett seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Matt Trout – aye; Trustee Dean Pruett – aye; Trustee Lisa Meehling – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mike Blaies – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

EXHIBIT G:

Legal/Ordinance Committee Meeting:

Trustee Lisa Meehling called the meeting of Legal/Ordinance to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24, 2016.

The following items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSIENSS:

1. Zoning Report/Nuisance Properties: Trustee Meehling said Zoning Administrator Henning reported a lien has been placed on the property at 3 Lake Drive. Gary is working with them we should hear something in the next week or so on what their plans are. Gary was contracted from St. Clair County about a couple of nuisance properties, and we are looking into them. Gary has been talking to Bonnie Waters in regards on the car and they are getting ready to move the car and clean up the property. Gary and Tony have gone around town regarding some non-compliant signs and all have been inspected and addressed.
2. Occupancy permits inspections: Trustee Meehling said Attorney Manion is working on the intergovernmental agreement for our occupancy permits.
3. St. Clair County update of Building and Property Maintenance Code: Trustee Meehling said nothing on this and don't know when this might happen. We will remove this for now until later.

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4. Combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals:

Mayor Speiser and Tony met with Frank Heiligenstein to review some of his concerns regarding the combination of Plan Commission and Board of Appeals. We are moving toward this, but the meeting has been postponed until further notice.

5. Local Debt Recovery Program: Trustee Meehling said Attorney Manion still working on this, we are keeping him busy.

6. Golf Carts or Side by Side Vehicles: Trustee Meehling said Julie will talk to our insurance company to see what liability issues there might be if we pass this.

7. Happy Hour Consideration: We are allowed to have happy hour, all establishments have to have all of their server's complete training with the state. Trustee Meehling said we will be supply with information on how other municipalities are working with Happy Hour.

NEW BUSIENSS: Trustee Meehling said St. Clair County Zoning Board of Appeal held a hearing on Monday, March 7th to discuss a request for a special use permit for a 3 lot subdivision on Shangrila Road. Village Administrator Funderburg said this is in line with our comprehensive plan.

Acting Mayor Blaies said he notice the new bait shop in town and asked Zoning Administrator Henning is that sign just a temp for the business. Gary said yes the sign has been ordered already and should be in within the next two to three weeks.

EXHIBIT H:

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting:

Trustee Matt Trout called the meeting of Personnel/Police to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24, 2016.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

POLICE:

OLD BUSIENSS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Police Policy – Tire Deflation Device: We talked about the new tire deflation device we have, which we put a policy in place for that. This will be used for fleeing vehicles.
2. CENCOM: Trustee Trout said we passed this Ordinance for CENCOM contract renewal earlier on the agenda.

Trustee Trout said we have burned a lot of evidence a couple of weeks ago.

PERSONNEL:

OLD BUSINESS:

Village Administrator Funderburg showed us an email from SAVE Site, they are looking for another location and searching all of their options at this time.

1. Health Insurance Option to Switch to Spouse's Plan: Trustee Trout said we did talk about the options to switch the health insurance and we will have more information on this for the next meeting.

EXHIBIT I:

Acting Mayor Blaies said we had a Committee As A Whole Meeting on March 2, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

1. FY2016 Budget: We discussed the upcoming budget.
2. IML Conference: We discussed the IML Conference that is coming up in September.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Electric Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 2016 – 5:45 p.m.

Streets Committee Meeting – Wednesday, March 16, 24, 2016 - 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, March 21, 2016 - 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers - No thank you.

Trustee Lisa Meehling – No thank you.

Trustee Matt Trout – He just wanted to remind everyone to get out and vote Tuesday.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – She would like to clarify and should have done this in the beginning of the meeting. She said, Mike is running the meeting this evening because he the pro-temp for the Mayor Speiser and just because he is acting mayor he still has the right to vote as a trustee.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – No thank you.

Trustee Dean Pruett – No thank you.

Village Administrator Tony Funderburg – He said Mayor Speiser and Shane Krauss is in Washington D.C. is fighting for us with some of these things that are coming down. And we have a new business that opened up, the owner is Abby Speiser. Abby opened up a photo studio on Phillips Street.

Village Attorney Manion – No thank you.

Public Works Director John Tolan: No thank you.

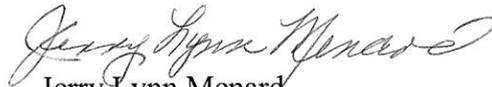
Zoning Administrator Gary Henning – No thank you.

Acting Mayor Blaies – He thanked everyone for coming this evening. He wished good luck to Seth and Shane in Washington D.C.

ADJOURNMENT:

Acting Mayor Blaies called for motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Matt Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Trustee Lisa Meehling and seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk