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VILLAGE OF FREEBURG, ILLINOIS BOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017 @ 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Seth Speiser called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, October 16, 2017, in the Freeburg Municipal Board Room.

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

ROLL CALL: Trustee Bert (Dean) Pruett – here; Trustee Denise Albers – here; Trustee Ramon (Ray) Matchett, Jr. – here; Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – here; Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – here; Trustee Mathew (Matt) Trout – here; Mayor Seth Speiser – here; (7 present, 0 absent) Mayor Speiser announced there is a quorum.

EXHIBIT A:

Mayor Speiser stated we have the minutes of the previous Regular Board Meeting Monday, October 2, 2017 for approval.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to accept the minutes from the previous Regular Board Meeting Monday, October 2, 2017 and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

FINANCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: None.

EXHIBIT B:

ESDA REPORT: ESDA Coordinator Gene Kramer brought us up to date on his ESDA Report that was in the board packet.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Janet Baechle thanked everyone for the get well card. She thought it was very sweet and thoughtful of everyone.

EXHIBIT C:

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Zoning Administrator's Report: Mayor Speiser stated Zoning Administrator Gary Henning could not be here tonight. If you have any questions for Gary please call him.

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EXHIBIT C:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

1. Combined Planning/Zoning Board Recommendation Regarding RCC1, Inc. Rezoning Request: Village Administrator Tony Funderburg stated the Combined Planning/Zoning Board voted tonight to rezone the property right off of State Street next to Dambachers from SR-1 to B-2. Trustee Trout asked can we not vote on this tonight and table it until the next meeting. Village Administrator stated it is on the agenda for tonight, but it is up to the board if they want to or not. After a discussion a motion was made.

Trustee Bert Pruett motioned to accept the Combined Planning /Zoning Board recommendation to change North Main Street property from SR-1 to B-2 and Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AGREEMENTS & ANNEXATIONS: None.

BIDS: None.

RESOLUTIONS: None.

EXHIBIT D:

ORDINANCES: Mayor Speiser stated we have Ordinance #1638. An Ordinance Authorizing the Village to Enter into and the Mayor to Execute the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network Agreement.

Trustee James Blaies motioned to adopt Ordinance #1638 by title only and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

APPOINTMENTS: None.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:

Electric Committee Meeting:

Trustee Mathew (Matt) Trout reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Surplus Equipment: Trustee Trout said everything sold on the Purple Wave auction site, two trucks and two police cars. We will have Purple Wave auction the Harley motorcycle that was seized.
2. New Electric Customers: Trustee Trout said there is nothing new on this.
3. Customer Issues: Trustee Trout stated Head Lineman Shane Krauss advised we had an outage at SAVE Site due to balloons that hit the power line. Trustee Trout said we had some trips on the circuit to the north around the Rock Hill, Turkey Hill and Jefferson Road area. Head Lineman Shane Krauss has some fault indicators on the line to see where it is and monitoring that.
4. Village Hall Parking Lot Lights: The lights have been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Trout stated Head Lineman Shane Krauss has completed the three-year IPSI supervisor training conference. Congratulations to Shane on that.

EXHIBIT F:

Public Works Committee Meeting: (Trash/Water/Sewer)

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies reported on the Public Works Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 5:55 p.m.

The following item or items were talked about or discussed:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Sewer Project: Trustee Blaies said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg confirmed the letter and check was sent and accepted by Rhutasel & Associates.
2. Sewer Issues/Sewer Fuel Odors: Trustee Blaies stated Public Works Director John Tolan said with the recent rain, we will open some manholes tomorrow and see if we find any odors.
3. FSH Minutes: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan reported that interconnect is done, and we will have a copy of the procedure manual at Village Hall.
4. West Apple Street Water Line Extension: Trustee Blaies said since we only received 5 out of the 15 needed easements, we are going to run the water line from the bus garage to the Dotson property. Public Works Director John Tolan stated he won't work on Schiermemier Road until next spring. Trustee Blaies said we are getting quite a bit of interest for water to be extended to Old Freeburg Road.
5. Private Sewer at Potter/West Street: Trustee Blaies said Public Works Director John Tolan is going to run a gravity line instead of a lift station on Potter/West Street.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network: Trustee Blaies said we discussed the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network agreement. This agreement was passed earlier on the agenda under ordinances.

Trustee Blaies stated Public Works Director John Tolan is still working on flushing the hydrants.

EXHIBIT G:

Public Property Committee Meeting: (Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation)

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. reported on the Electric Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 6:21 p.m.

The following items were talked about or discussed under:

POOL: OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool/St. Clair County Parks Grant: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan had advised us the pool is pretty much done. Public Works Director John Tolan stated he doesn't think there will be any big maintenance items for next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Smithton Athletic Association Donation Request: Trustee Matchett said the Smithton Athletic Association asked for a donation request. The committee donated a 10-day pool pass.

Trustee Matchett stated Village Administrator Tony Funderburg provided some options for the playground and playground surface grants. Village Administrator Funderburg advised the committee this will be 100% funded by grants. At this time he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned to accept NuToys Option #1 for the playground and playground surface at a cost of \$62,129 delivered and installed and Trustee Mathew Trout seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee Bert Pruet – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

STREETS:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. MFT/Ditch on North Main St.: Trustee Matchett said Public Works Director John Tolan advised us MFT is fine, and he is not doing anything on the ditch other than cleaning it out in order for it to flow better.

2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg took pictures of Hill Mine Road after the rain and stated it was in bad shape. The water was racing through as fast as it could and had washed over the road at some point. We will be looking at this and see how we can control the problem.

3. East Apple Issues: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised ITEP has a grant going on right now with an 80/20 match that doesn't cover engineering fees and a 75/25 grant that does cover the engineering fees. The engineer would write the grant. Trustee Matchett stated TWM has done some preliminary work on East Apple. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will ask them to look into this.

4. IDOT Concerns: Trustee Matchett said Village Administrator Tony Funderburg advised us that IDOT responded to his letter. They are not going to put a merge arrow on Route 15; they will install a left turn yield on green at the State Street/Apple light; they will perform a speed study on Route 15 south of town; they will rip rap the ditch; and they won't pay for any audio warning signals. Trustee Matchett said the audio warning signals cost \$740 for the system and they provide onsite support for us to install. Village Administrator Tony Funderburg will look into a grant for this and also look at installing one to see if it works out.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Part-Time Leaf Collection Hire: Trustee Matchett said we talked about part-time leaf collection hires. At this time he would like to make a motion.

Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. motioned that Richard Mense and David Behrmann to be hired for part-time leaf collection at \$12 per-hour and Trustee Denise Albers seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: Trustee Ramon Matchett, Jr. – aye; Trustee Denise Albers – aye; Trustee James Blaies – aye; Trustee Bert Pruett – aye; Trustee Mathew Trout – aye; Trustee Elizabeth Meehling – aye; (6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent). All voting aye, the motion carried.

Upcoming Meetings:

Legal/ Ordinance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 25, 2017 – 5:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 25, 2017 – 5:45 p.m.

Personnel/Police Committee Meeting – Wednesday, October 25, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2017– 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE MAYOR & TRUSTEES' COMMENTS:

Trustee Denise Albers – She would like to congratulate Shane Krauss on completing his schooling. Congratulations to Matt and Lisa on a great job heading up the Chili-Cook-Off. It seem like everyone had a real good time.

Trustee Elizabeth (Lisa) Meehling – She said it was another amazing year for the Chamber of Commerce Chili-Cook-Off. She would like to thank Public Works Director John Tolan, Head Lineman Shane Krauss and the Public Works Department for getting the park looking good and the electric taking care of, everything was great. It has been an awesome event for the last three years that Matt and I have been doing it. She thinks it was extra special this year with Malena Strong. She got a lot of donations. She seems to have the entire village helping her in her fight to beat her illness.

Mathew Trout (Matt) – Basically the same thing Lisa said. He would like to thank everyone who participated in helping making the Chili-Cook-Off a success. He said we are just waiting on some more expenses, but the numbers seem to be better than last year. We just hope to keep on improving. If anyone would have any ideas to make it better or something we need to do different please let us know. He would also like to thank all of the sponsors.

Village Clerk Jerry Menard – She thanked Matt and Lisa for chairing the Chili-Cook-Off and what great job they did. Hope to see you both chair it again next year.

Trustee James (Mike) Blaies – Same thing, you both did a great job. Another awesome year, weather was super nice and a good turnout. Everyone seemed to have a good time.

Trustee Ramon (Ray) Matchett, Jr. – Same here as everyone else has said.

Trustee Bert (Dean) Pruett – Same thing here also. And he would also like to welcome our two new part-time help Richard Mense and Dave Behrmann.

Staff Comments:

Public Works Director John Tolan – This event was definitely a family event. With adults and children together in the park, it was awesome. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Chief of Police Mike Schutzenhofer – He said he thinks location of the Chili-Cook-Off is perfect. It seems to keep everyone close net. Just talking and looking at everyone it seem everyone was enjoying themselves and having fun.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Speiser called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Trustee Mathew Trout motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. and Trustee Elizabeth Meehling seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



Jerry Lynn Menard

Village Clerk