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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
If you have any questions, please contact Matt Trout at mtrout@freeburg.com

February 9, 2026

NOTICE MEETING OF THE PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE (Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation) (Matchett/Carpenter/Kaiser/Miller)

A Public Property Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, on **Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

SWIMMING POOL:

- A. Old Business
 - 1. Swimming Pool Lifeguards
- B. New Business
 - 1. Freeburg Community High School Music Boosters Donation Request
 - 2. Swimming Pool Fees

- A. Old Business
 - 1. Approval of January 14, 2026 Minutes
 - 2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off
 - 3. Customer Issues
 - 4. MFT
 - 5. Saturn Terrace
 - 6. Leaf Truck
 - 7. Streets Crew Worker Hire
 - 8. Cemetery Road Bridge Inspection
 - 9. Trash Contract
- B. New Business
 - 1. Surplus 1996 Ford Dump Truck
 - 2. Executive Session to Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)5

C. General Concerns

D. Public Participation OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

E. Adjourn

At said Public Property Committee Meeting, the Village Trustees may vote on whether or not to hold an Executive Session to discuss potential litigation [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(11)]; the selection of a person to fill a public office [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (3)]; personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (1)]; real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)] or collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives [5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(5)].



Dear Business Owner,

January 20, 2026

The Freeburg Community High School Music Boosters are excited to announce the return of our biggest annual fundraiser, Trivia Night! Scheduled for March 7, 2026 at the Catholic War Vets just north of Smithton. Proceeds from this event will be used to replace aging and broken instruments and equipment for the FCHS Music Programs. The Boosters work hard throughout the year to raise funds in order to provide our student musicians and performers with the tools they need to be successful and competitive with other area schools during Marching Band, Concert Band, and Winterguard seasons.

It is because of the generosity of business and individuals like you that this event raised more than \$7,000 last year! This year, our goal is to raise \$8,500. With your help we feel confident we can achieve this goal.

Any donation is appreciated, none is too small. If you would like to support our fundraising effort with a **tax-deductible donation** for our silent auction, please bring or send your item to the high school at the address listed below, or call/text Karen at (618)444-1248 for pickup by Feb 28th.

Looking for a way to advertise your business? Simply scan the QR code below and become a round sponsor! For just \$100, you can sponsor a round of trivia. Your business card will be featured on one answer sheet and your support announced during that round to a receptive audience. PLUS, we will prominently display your marketing materials for potential customers to take home! Sponsorships must be received by February 12 and are limited to the first twenty-five respondents so don't miss out!

As you review the many requests you receive, we hope that you will support the FCHS Music Boosters. Thank you for your consideration!

With Our Sincere Gratitude,

The Freeburg High School Music Boosters

Trivia Night Donations may be sent to:

Freeburg High School
Attn: Music Boosters
401 S. Monroe St.
Freeburg, IL 62243

To become a round sponsor,
make a donation, or reserve a
table to play, scan the QR code!



Please contact the FCHS Music Boosters at FCHSMBA@gmail.com with questions.

Tax I.D.#371119598

Freeburg Municipal Pool Hours and Information
310 E Hill St, Freeburg
(618) 539-9178
May 23rd, 2026 through August 9th, 2026

Hours of Operation:

Monday	11:00am – 5:45pm
Tuesday	11:00am – 6:30pm
Wednesday	11:00am – 5:45pm
Thursday	11:00am – 6:30pm
Friday	11:00am – 6:30pm
Saturday	11:00am – 5:00pm *12:00pm after July 11th
Sunday	11:00am – 5:00pm *12:00pm after July 11th

Swim Meet dates: The pool will close at 4:00 p.m. on the home swim meet dates of June 17th, June 24th, June 26th, and July 8th. The Freeburg Waves website is www.freeburgwaves.com.

↳ Do not have waves schedule

July 4th Holiday: The Pool will close at 5:00pm on July 4th, 2025.

2026 Single Admission Rates:

Daily Admission	In Town Rate	Out of Town Rate
Child (2-4 years old)	\$3.00	\$4.00
Child (2-4 years old) 1 ½ hours before closing	\$2.00	\$2.00
Child (5-18 years old)	\$6.00	\$10.00 <i>7.00</i>
Child (5-18 years old) 1 ½ hours before closing	\$3.00	\$5.00
Adult (19-59 years old)	\$7.00	\$11.00 <i>8.00</i>
Adult (19-59 years old) 1 ½ hours before closing	\$3.00	\$5.00
Senior (60+ years old)	\$3.00	\$7.00 <i>5.00</i>
Senior (60+ years old) 1 ½ hours before closing	\$2.00	\$3.00
Under 2 years old	Free	Free

2025 Swimming Pool Season Pass Rates:

	In Town Rate	Out of Town Rate
10-Use Pass	\$50.00	\$80.00 <i>60.00</i>
Child (2-4 years old)	\$50.00	\$60.00
Child (5-18 years old)	\$90.00	\$110.00
Adult (19-59 years old)	\$100.00	\$130.00
Senior (60 years old & over)	\$40.00 <i>35.00</i>	\$60.00 <i>50.00</i>
Family (2)	\$170.00	\$190.00
Family (3)	\$190.00	\$210.00
Family (4)	\$210.00	\$230.00
Family (5)	\$230.00	\$250.00

Family (6 or more)
Aqua Fitness

+\$30 Per Person
\$30.00 25.00

+\$35 Per Person
\$40.00 30.00

Pool Parties: Monday - Friday from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Starting July 11th Pool Parties will be available on Saturday and Sunday Mornings from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Pool Parties are not available on Memorial Day, July 4th, August 9th, and the Freeburg Waves Home swim meet dates listed above. Please contact Village Hall at 539-5545 for more information. Pool party reservation forms can be printed from this website by clicking on the following link: [Pool Party Reservation Form](#). We also have available our pool policy and procedures by clicking on the following link: [Pool Policy and Procedures](#)

Pool Party Rates

Monday - Thursday Pool/Splash
Monday - Thursday Pool Only
Friday - Sunday Pool/Splash
Friday - Sunday Pool Only

In Town Rate

\$290.00 250
\$250.00 225
\$320.00 280
\$290.00 250

Out of Town Rate

\$320.00 280
\$280.00 255
\$350.00 310
\$320.00 280

Aqua Fitness Class: Classes will run weekly from 6:00pm to 7:00pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. The cost is included in a season pass or an aqua fitness pass. The daily fee is \$6.00 per class if a pass is not purchased.

Adult Lap Swim: Adult Lap Swim is offered every day from 10:30am – 11:00am and from 6:30pm – 7:00pm on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. After July 11th Lap Swim will be from 11:30am – 12:00pm on Saturday and Sunday. The daily admission rate is \$1.00 or included in a Season Pass Purchase.



POOL PARTY RESERVATION FORM

The Freeburg Pool provides the opportunity to celebrate with a Private Pool Party with little hassle for you. Please fill out and return this form with full payment to reserve your party. Parties for Freeburg residents are booked on a first come first serve basis starting on April 1st, 2026 and parties for non-residents on April 13th, 2026.

Important Information

Pool Party Rates (Select One)

Monday - Thursday Pool & Splash Area
 Monday - Thursday Pool Only
 Friday - Sunday Pool & Splash Area
 Friday - Sunday Pool Only

In Town Rate

\$290.00 250
 \$250.00 225
 \$320.00 280
 \$290.00 250

Out of Town Rate

\$320.00 280
 \$280.00 255
 \$350.00 310
 \$320.00 280

- The rates listed are for the private use of the pool for up to 75 swimmers. It is an additional \$1 per additional swimmer over 75.
- You may bring your own food and drink to the pavilion, but outside food or drink is not permitted inside the fence.
- The concession stand can be opened at 6:00 p.m. upon request 7 days in advance. A \$50.00 fee will be charged to open the concession stand for parties.
- Private party times go from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday, and 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday. Starting July 11th pool parties will be available from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Booking a private pool party includes the use of the pavilion next to the pool one hour prior to the party start time and setup time for the pavilion one and a half hours prior to the pool party start time. AM Parties will receive the use of the pavilion for one hour after the pool party.
- Reservation must be made at least a week in advance.
- The person whom books the pool party must be in attendance at the party as the responsible contact.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Number Attending: Under 75/Over 75 _____ Requested Party Date/Time: _____

See attached Pool Rental Policy and Guidelines for all pertinent information regarding your pool party including the cancellation policy.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

----- For Office Use Only -----

Amount Paid: \$ _____ Payment Method: _____ Date: _____

Pool Rental Policy and Guidelines

Freeburg Pool Policy and Procedures User Agreement Policy
Effective April 2026 Pool Season

1. Reservation Guidelines.

- Reservations will be made on a first come first serve basis for Freeburg residents starting on April 1st and non-residents on April 13th. Pool parties book up very quickly, no pool party dates will be held. **All Payments shall be made when booking parties.**

2. Cost: The rates listed are for private use of the pool for up to 75 swimmers. It is an additional \$1 per additional swimmer.

<u>Pool Party Rates (Select One)</u>	<u>In Town Rate</u>	<u>Out of Town Rate</u>
Monday – Thursday Pool & Splash Area	\$290.00 250	\$320.00 280
Monday – Thursday Pool Only	\$250.00 225	\$280.00 255
Friday – Sunday Pool & Splash Area	\$320.00 280	\$350.00 310
Friday – Sunday Pool Only	\$290.00 250	\$320.00 280

3. Weather Cancellations

- All rentals are based on weather permitting. Severe weather is defined as thunder and/or lightning, heavy rain, and tornado watch. If any of these events should occur, the pool, deck, and bathhouses will be cleared at the lifeguards' discretion. The manager on duty will determine the safest place for pool guests to be directed to during a weather event.
- The Village of Freeburg's safety policy requires that the facilities be cleared for 30 minutes at the first sound of thunder. For each additional instance, the 30-minute period is re-started. The same procedures apply to sightings of lightning. In case of severe weather that begins before the reservation period (thereby preventing the use of the pool), the renter is eligible for a full refund.
- The Village of Freeburg may cancel any pool reservation due to inclement weather. If we cancel it for any reason before the posted party time, we will refund 100%.
- Any party interrupted by inclement weather will be refunded in the following manner: closed within first 30 minutes of pool time receives 75% refund, closed within the first 1 hour of pool time receives 50% refund, closed any point after one hour in the pool receives no refund.
- If the weather is questionable on the night of your party, please stay in close contact with the pool manager throughout the day regarding proceeding with or canceling the party for the evening. The pool phone number is 618/539-9178.

4. Private party Monday through Friday time goes from:

- 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm for setup in the pavilion.
- 6:00 pm -7:00 pm in the pavilion (Playground is open to the public)
- 7:00 pm-9:00 pm in the pool.

Private party Saturday & Sunday time goes from:

- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm for setup in the pavilion (5:00 pm party)
- 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the pavilion (Playground is open to the public)

- 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm in the pool
- 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm for setup in the pavilion (7:00 pm party)
- 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm in the pavilion (Playground is open to the public)
- 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm in the pool

Private party Saturday & Sunday AM Starting July 11th:

- 9:30 am – 11:30 am in the pool
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm in the Pavillion (Playground is open to the public)

For All Pool Parties:

- Please make your reservation at least a week in advance.
 - Pool Pavilion closes at 10:00 PM.
5. You may bring your own food and drinks to the pavilion but nothing is permitted in the pool area.
 6. The concession stand can be opened upon request for one hour to accommodate food/drink orders during a pool party if requested 7 days in advance. A \$50.00 fee will be charged to open the concession stand for pool parties.
 7. Renter responsible for placing all litter/trash from event in proper containers. If containers are full all litter/trash must be bagged, tied and place adjacent to containers.
 8. No smoking or tobacco allowed in facility. This includes chewing tobacco, pipes and vaping.
 9. Flotation devices are at the manager's discretion.
 10. All Freeburg Pool rules must be followed during the rental. Please visit our website at www.freeburg.com and go to the Community Page for a complete list of our Pool Rules.
 11. Rental time includes set up and breakdown. You will not be allowed in prior to the start of your rental time for setting up for your event unless prior authorization is given.
 12. Additional tables and chairs may be brought by renter.

General Rules

1. Alcohol in any form is not allowed.
2. All motorized vehicles are prohibited in any park (You cannot drive a vehicle, motor bike, scooters, go cart, etc. in the park including loading and unloading).
3. You can bring a small back yard pit to cook as long as all safety precautions are followed, but the pit must be outside the Pool gated area. We have a charcoal grill on site that can be used.
4. Inflatables, carnival rides and other amusement devices must be pre-approved by the Village of Freeburg. A copy of liability insurance coverage must be on file prior to the rental of the pavilion/pool. The insurance must add the Village of Freeburg as an additional insured. Such amusements are not allowed inside the pool area but can be outside our facility with permission.
5. Musical Groups (Bands) or Musical Instruments are not allowed at any rental.
6. Glass containers are prohibited.
7. Any tents, awnings, etc. must be pre-approved by the Village of Freeburg.
8. Deck area must be accessible for flow of traffic and cannot be blocked at any time.
9. No fires allowed other than in cooking related devices.
10. No person shall place or attach any object to the pavilion.
11. Follow all posted rules and regulations at the pool and pavilion
12. The Village of Freeburg reserves the right to cancel any reservation with just cause due to weather, reservation conflict, internal programming, staffing or anything similar.

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Public Property Committee Meeting
Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation
(Matchett/Carpenter/Kaiser/Miller)
Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

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The meeting of the Public Property Committee was called to order at 6:03 p.m., on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, by Chairman Ray Matchett. Members present were Chairman Ray Matchett, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (left at 6:28), Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director Chris Remick, Head Lineman Max Sallman, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle and Bill May. Guests present via Zoom: None.

POOL:

A. OLD BUSINESS: None.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Freeburg High School Post Prom Donation Request: The committee agreed to donate a 10-use pool pass.
2. Freeburg FFA Alumni Pork Chop Dinner and Auction Donation Request: The committee agreed to donate a 10-use pool pass.
3. Freeburg Area Library Trivia Night Donation Request: The committee agreed to donate a 10-use pool pass.
4. Pool Lifeguards: Village Administrator Matt Trout said Scott has reached out to lifeguards and concession workers and a good amount plan to return this season. He said Mascoutah's pool will not be opening this year. We would like to go ahead and advertise for lifeguards. There was a discussion on pricing, passes and pool parties.

Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to start advertising for lifeguards, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

STREETS:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of December 10, 2025 Minutes: Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the December 10, 2025 minutes, and Trustee Tom Carpenter seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: Nothing to report.
3. Customer Issues: Nothing to report.
4. MFT: Village Engineer Tim Pruett said Crew Leader Bob Jenkins is going to restock some culverts.
5. Saturn Terrace: Tim said the vacation has been recorded and when some time opens up, they will work on getting things fixed.

6. Leaf Truck: Bob said the truck is back and they have been using it. It will be going to Armour Equipment to make the adjustments needed. The salesman came out and took some pictures and videos to send to the manufacturer. He said they are finished picking leaves up. Trustee Mike Blaies asked if they are doing this at no cost to us and Bob responded yes. The Board had a discussion on how this effects the insurance claim.
7. Streets Crew Worker Hire – Possible Executive Session to Discuss Personnel 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1): Matt said you have the applications of the 3 candidates that were interviewed. The top one is the one we all agreed on.

Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to amend the agenda to move public participation up, and Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:34 P.M.

Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to enter Executive Session citing Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)1, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED

6:45: P.M.

Trustee Ray Matchett motioned to reconvene the regular session of the Public Property Committee meeting at 6:46 p.m., and Trustee seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to send the full Board approving the hiring of Ryan Schmidt for the crew worker position, and Tom Carpenter seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motioned carried.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Cemetery Road Bridge Inspection: Tim said this is the bridge on Cemetery Road. He said he is not qualified to do the inspection and will find someone else to do it. He said it will probably be a \$4,000 - \$5,000 expense. He said they are typically every 4 years; however, our last inspection there was a deficiency or something requiring a 2-year inspection. Bob plans to put down some riprap and hopefully we can push the inspection back out to every 4 years.
2. Trash Contract: Matt said the trash contract expires in September. He asked if we want to go out for proposals or see where Waste Management's rates come in at. The Board was in agreement to reach out to Waste Management and get some numbers.
3. Andrew Hassel's End of Probation: Chief Mike Schutzenhofer said he is doing well and he recommends taking him off probation.

Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to send to the full Board ending Andrew Hassel's probation, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion passed.

4. Police Patrol Opening: Matt said Sergeant Stan Ruhmann will be retiring at the end of January. Chief Schutzenhofer added his last shift date is January 29 so he would like to start the in-house posting and then advertise for the police patrol opening.

Trustee Dana Miller motioned to approve starting the in-house posting and then advertising for police patrol opening, and Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

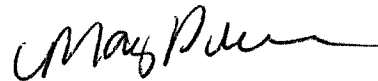
5. Executive Session to Discuss Collective Negotiating Matters between the Public Body and its Employees or their Representatives, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)5: Matt said we don't necessarily need to go into an executive session unless the Board would like to. He said we have received letters from both the police and public works & office staff unions to start negotiations. The Board agreed to wait to see what they bring to us.

Matt said Cory Schaefer will be starting the CDL training in February and he will be the last one.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Bob Kaiser motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m., and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Mary Downen
Office Manager