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NOTICE

MEETING OF THE PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE (Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation) (Matchett/Baker/Blaies)

A Public Property Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, on **Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.**

PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

SWIMMING POOL:

- A. Old Business
 - 1. Pool
- B. New Business

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 - 1. Approval of August 17, 2011 minutes
 - 2. Safe Routes to School
 - 3. 709 Saxony Lane request for culvert
 - 4. Leaves/limb pickup
 - 5. Welcome to Freeburg sign at north end of town
 - 6. MFT
 - 7. Sidewalk requests
 - 8. Vacation of streets by high school
 - 9. Procedure to Request Flags to be Displayed
 - 10. Drainage Problem Areas
 - 11. Repairs to Village Hall
- B. New Business
- C. General Concerns
- D. Public Participation
- 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) a.]; or real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2-(c)(5)].

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The meeting of the Public Property Committee was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2011, in the Municipal Center. Those in attendance were Chairman Ray Matchett, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Rita Baker, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan and Village Administrator Dennis Herzing.

POOL: A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool: Dennis sent Bill Reichert an email who advised the engineers who are doing the detailed design are holding him up. We will definitely have to ask the grant people for an extension and Dennis thinks they will since we passed the bond issue. Dennis does not think we will open on time. Rita asked if Bill had plenty of time to do this and Dennis called him the day after the bond issue passed. We are not holding him up in any manner. Dennis said we have a St. Clair County Parks Grant application due October 3rd and it has a maximum grant amount of \$16,000. Dennis contacted Bill about that because it is specifically aimed at safety and security equipment and wants the fencing around the pool to go towards that. Bill sent Dennis information showing the fence will cost approximately \$48,000. John said the pool has been winterized.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

STREETS: A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of August 17, 2011 minutes: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the August 17, 2011 minutes and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*
2. Safe Routes to School: Dennis hasn't heard anything new from TWM for quite a while. He will obtain a status report from them.
3. 709 Saxony lane request for culvert: We'll discuss next year.
4. Leaves/limb pickup: John said leaf pickup is right around the corner. Last year we used the part-time employees to do most of this work which helped keep the overtime down. We have about \$7,000 left in the budget. We will need to advertise the first to second week of October and the position would go to the end of the year.
5. Welcome to Freeburg sign: Nothing new.
6. MFT: John said the street oiling has been completed and we'll sweep the streets one day next week. We are doing some concrete work right now.
7. Sidewalk requests: John said we are going to Alton Street and a few other areas in town where sidewalks have been requested.

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8. Vacation of streets by high school: Dennis met with the attorney and Gale Hake. The attorney is working on an ordinance to vacate the streets. He will follow up with him.

9. Procedure to Request Flags to be Displayed: We have not had a chance to work on this. John said we need to come up with something and we'll need to have the American Legion approve the request.

10. Drainage Problem Areas: Dennis has set up a meeting with Pat Netemeyer on October 3rd where Dennis and John will show him the problem areas. Dennis will follow up with TWM to get the flow calculations on Main Street.

11. Repairs to Village Hall: Dennis said we'll look at options on repairing the drains.

B. NEW BUSINESS: Trustee Matchett had a resident request a no parking sign be installed on her property on the first block of W. Washington Street. John said that first block does not have any signs on it. Dennis asked if this area was included in the ordinance and John said it only went to Alton. We'll take it to Police Committee for Mel's review.

Mike asked about the digger truck putting the poles up at the park and John said it went very well. Dennis said that a new digger truck costs about \$180,000.

Dennis said there has been an ongoing neighbor dispute on Shady Lane. This road takes you back to Foulks Cemetery which is owned by the Village. The residents are in a battle with each other over the lane and are trying to drag us into it on the pretext the lane is a public right of way. Dennis researched all the files and thinks the Village owns the lane, a 30-foot wide strip for the road going to the cemetery but that doesn't mean it's a public thoroughfare. Both the Sidwell map and the County show it as a private road. He doesn't think we have ever completely maintained it. We may provide rock sometimes and trim trees because we use that road to get back to the cemetery. He thinks we should take the position we own the strip but it doesn't mean it's a public right-of-way. They want us drag us into neighbor battles over a neighbor having something over another neighbor's line and they want us to tell the neighbor to move it. Dennis feels if there isn't anything put on that 30-foot strip that prevents us from using the lane to access the cemetery, he doesn't think we should worry about it. John said they are our water customers but not electric. That 30-foot strip was deeded to the Village in 1875. Bob Kell addressed this issue in 1993-94 when the residents were having security problems and told them the Village didn't have a problem with them installing a gate to control access as long as it was open during the daytime hours to allow cemetery access and also as long as the residents maintained the road. Dennis said he will take a ride out there to see what's going on.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.



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POOL:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pool: John advised the pool is drained and closed. Dennis has not heard anything from Bill Reichert. Bill will put the bid package together and run the final plans and specs by us before it goes out for bid. It is usually a 30-day bidding period. Dennis thinks the bulk of the work will be done next spring. We can do a lot of demolition work in the cold weather. End of the pool season numbers were included in the packet for review.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pool Accident Report Form: For informational purposes.

STREETS:

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of July 20, 2011 minutes: Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve the July 20, 2011 minutes and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

2. Safe Routes to School: Dennis hasn't heard anything new on this.

3. 709 Saxony lane request for culvert: Nothing new.

4. Leaves/limb pickup: John said this is status quo. We will have our collection area at the old sewer plant ready for the fall.

5. Welcome to Freeburg sign: Dennis wasn't sure what direction we were going since the Mayor had concerns about the cost. Dennis said whatever we put out there will have to meet IDOT's breakaway standards.

6. MFT: John said some of the street oiling has been completed. Additional areas will be addressed on Monday. John said the Dressler and Parrish trucks spilled a lot of rock on the street so we've had to sweep up a lot of rock costing us a lot of money. John said next week we are using three Funk trucks because they can adjust their speed to the spinners from inside the cab. The Dressler and Parrish trucks can only throw at one speed. They will try to use that extra rock that was swept up on Monday. John does not want to use them next year and said Funk is very good.

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7. Sidewalk requests: John said we'll take care of the sidewalk requests in the August - September timeframe. He contacted Beelman and is getting a better price on the concrete from them.

8. Vacation of streets by high school: Dennis said we know where we need to retain an easement through there and needs to meet with Gale to write up the legal description for the ordinance to vacate the street. He met with Andrew Lehman and told him the sewer that runs down the alley that is now the parking lot, serves nothing more than the high school since the homes have been demolished and belongs to them. We don't need to retain an easement for that. Dennis said the only easement we need to retain is for our primary power going in on Monroe Street because that goes into a pole with a pole-mounted transformers and their main service entrance is fed from that. We need an easement up to those transformers.

9. Procedure to Request Flags to be Displayed: We have not had a chance to work on this.

10. Drainage Problem Areas: Dennis said we haven't set anything up with Pat Netemeyer on this yet. Mike asked if there was any area around Dambachers for a retention pond. John was unsure of where the water went after it crossed the railroad tracks and Dennis said it goes into Helms field. John said that isn't a bad idea and we should have Netemeyer look at that.

11. 4-Mile Run in Conjunction with Chili Cookoff: Mel will patrol the area but no streets will be closed. Item can be taken off the agenda.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Block Party Request: The committee discussed the location of the block party on Oak Thorn.

Trustee Rita Baker motioned to recommend approval of the block party contingent on Chief Woodruff's approval and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.

2. Muscular Dystrophy Collection: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to approve Freeburg Fire Protection District's request to collect monies for the Muscular Dystrophy Association on Friday, August 26, 2011 and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: Mike asked if we could paint the pvc pipes around the building to make it look more presentable. There is also a section of gutter that needs to be replaced.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Rita Baker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



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