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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Trash/Water/Sewer  
(Kaiser/Blaies/Meehling/Miller)  
Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 5:45 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
Matt Trout

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF  
Michael J. Schutzenhofer

ESDA COORDINATOR  
Eugene Kramer

VILLAGE ENGINEER  
Tim Pruett, P.E.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:56 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, 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, John Feder, Eric McDonald & Buddy Lannert. There were no guests present via Zoom.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of September 11, 2024 Minutes: *Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the September 11, 2024 minutes, and Trustee Dana Miller seconded the motion. All voting yeas, the motion carried.*
2. New Sewer Plant: Village Administrator Matt Trout said he is collecting all the final paperwork to submit to IEPA.
3. Sewer issues: None.
4. FSH Minutes: Public Works Director John Tolan discussed issues with chlorine residual in Hecker.
5. Water System Upgrades: Village Engineer Tim Pruett gave an update. He said he is working on the TWM plans and they have a meeting tomorrow to go over them.

## B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Freeburg Car Wash: Matt stated that John Feder is here with Freeburg Car Wash. There is a letter in the packet and a hand out including his bills. He's compared his other operations with the ones here in town with regards to the rates of water and sewer. Matt feels in this situation it is mainly the sewer. John Feder explained why he is reaching out for help. John Tolan said there is a justification to look at some type of break for a car wash. Possible solutions were discussed. Matt said he will look at the reports and John Tolan will gather information on the meter. John Feder thanked everyone.

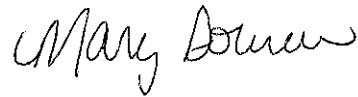
John stated they have completed the hydrant flushing. SLM is switching back to chloramine. They found 2 hydrants on Wolf Road, one is leaking and they will look in to it and the other one looked to have been vandalized. The hydrant rep is coming out tomorrow and hopefully get it repaired. They did have a small water break on W. Phillips.

C. **GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

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**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Dana Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Downen".

Mary Downen  
Office Manager