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# VILLAGE OF FREEBURG

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING  
Trash/Water/Sewer  
(Kaiser/Blaies/Heap/Meehling)  
Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 5:45 p.m.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR  
Tony Funderburg

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
John Tolan

POLICE CHIEF  
Michael J. Schutzenhofer

ESDA COORDINATOR  
Eugene Kramer

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR  
Matt Trout

VILLAGE ATTORNEY  
Weilmuenster Keck Brown, P.C.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m., on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, by Chairman Bob Kaiser. Members present were Chairman Bob Kaiser, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Attorney Fred Keck (absent), Public Works Director John Tolan, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guests present: Janet Baechele and Peter Matusak. There were no guests present via Zoom.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of August 10, 2022 minutes: Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the August 10, 2022 minutes, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. New Sewer Plant/Sewer Loan – Haier Plumbing Pay Request #12 in the amount of \$1,126,161.83 and Haier Plumbing Change Orders 2, 3 and 4 totaling \$10,567.53:

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board Haier Plumbing's Pay Request #12 in the amount of \$1,126,161.83 for approval, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Public Works Director John Tolan advised both he and Matt reviewed the change orders and has no problem with them. The changes were needed because they were more practical and functional for the village.

Trustee Mike Blaies motioned to recommend to the full Board Haier Plumbing's Change Orders 2, 3 and 4 totaling \$10,567.53 for approval, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Matt Trout reported all of the tanks have been constructed, the influent building is under roof and the filter building walls are up. The hollow core roof will be next. Haier is in the process of running the rest of the process piping to and between structures. Many of the components have been installed in the clarifiers. Freeburg Electric has started the work to install the transformer to provide power to the plant. Shane, John and Matt met with Guarantee and Hair about the location and timing of the transformer. The SCADA System seems to be ready. John, water/sewer staff and Matt will be attending the first training meeting in the coming weeks before the software and system is ready to leave the factory.

3. Sewer issues: John advised they found more rock in the Industrial Park and had Mascoutah come out with the vac truck and cleaned the affected area. They also ran the sewer lines in Meadow Pines to make sure those were clean.

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4. FSH Minutes: John stated the variable frequency drive failed, and it was several hours before repairs could be made. The board agreed to purchase a spare with an estimated cost of \$20,000.
5. Water System Study: IEPA is reviewing the study. John is going to schedule a meeting with TWM, Tony and Chad Rice to discuss the phases and required IEPA forms.
6. Repair/Replace Sewer Main East and West Apple: The contractor was here last week cleaning the sewer mains in preparation for televising the sewers to obtain measurements for the liners.

John stated we are still in free chlorine residual, and it is going well. We are about halfway done with the hydrant testing and flushing. We installed water services on Cemetery Road, Old Fayetteville Road and Edison Estates. Our TTHM & HAA samples came back very good.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:** Tony advised we have received the draft audit. He is very proud to report we have more than enough funds to pay off the TIF bonds. He said the TIF was a great thing as long as it was managed properly and is an asset to our town.

*Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to recommend to the full Board to pay off the TIF bond in the amount of \$538,241.14 to Truist Bank, and Trustee Mike Blaies seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

Chief Schutzenhofer advised he has spoken to Mr. Gomric regarding the Sheets' dog problem. Mr. Gomric contacted the director of Animal Control, and the dogs have been declared dangerous. We have a meeting with Mr. Sheets Friday to have this taken care of. Tony stated the owner has to take care of the problem now and make sure the dogs are kept in his yard. Chief Schutzenhofer stated 9 citations have been issued to him.

John advised with the new lead and copper rule, every public water supply must conduct an inventory to determine what type of water service piping each of our water customers has. We are going to have the pressure regulators on the 2 incoming master meters serviced. He has enrolled Buddy, Trevor and himself for several virtual training classes. John provided a binder that includes our emergency response plan and risk resilience assessment for each facility that is mandated by the EPA.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Peter Matusak was present to voice his concerns over the traffic in the area of Apple/Vine. Recently, a child on a bicycle was struck. He is requesting a 4-way stop at that intersection. He stated it is a heavy traffic area, and more kids are riding bikes to the park. He confirmed a police report filed. Janet questioned the sewer plant change orders. Trustee Meehling said nothing goes as planned, and every project will have change orders. Tony said we fought the items we needed to, and these changes benefit the village.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m., and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson,  
Office Manager