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NOTICE

MEETING OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE **Trash/Water/Sewer** **(Mattern/Speiser/Miller)**

A Public Works Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, on **Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at 5:30 p.m.**

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

- I. Items To Be Reviewed
 - A. Old Business
 - 1. Approval of January 20, 2010 minutes
 - 2. SAVE Site water situation
 - 3. Sewer Project
 - 4. Groundwater Ordinance
 - 5. Recycling
 - 6. Sewer backup policy
 - 7. Grease trap problems
 - 8. FSH System Requirements
 - 9. Grade School bill
 - B. New Business
 - C. General Concerns
 - D. Public Participation
 - E. Adjourn

At said Committee Meeting, the Village Board of 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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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Mattern/Miller/Speiser)

Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, by Chairman Charlie Mattern. Members present were Chairman Charlie Mattern, Trustee Tony Miller, Trustee Seth Speiser, Trustee Corby Valentine, Village Administrator Dennis Herzing, Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann and Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan. Guest present: Janet Baechle.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of January 20, 2010 minutes: *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve the January 20, 2009 minutes and Trustee Seth Speiser seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*
2. SAVE Site Water Situation: Dennis said he and Ron are meeting with Netemeyer on this Friday regarding the work for the current grant. Dennis said SAVE is looking at another grant from IGD to repair sewer laterals and has met with us to discuss putting together a new grant that will be due in late March. Once we get the details, we'll put together the grant application to do this and said if we are repairing and replacing in kind, we won't have to get an EPA permit.
3. Sewer Project: Dennis said Larry is in Florida and hasn't sent us anything.
4. Groundwater ordinance: Dennis has heard nothing.
5. Recycling: Dennis said the loads have increased and thinks they vary depending on what materials are in the bins. He said the weight tickets show that we are recycling almost double what the township did and are paying about double the price. Dennis told the committee he has heard talk the township is concerned with the cost of the recycling station. Charlie said if they don't continue to contribute half towards the current cost of the recycling, he hopes they would pay the monthly amount they had been in the past. Tony thinks they plan on at least paying what they had been. Dennis said Bill Weber, from Smithton Township and Ray Klein will be visiting tomorrow to take a look at our recycling center.
6. Sewer backup policy: Dennis said we are waiting on the control panel. Charlie asked where do we stand with Mike Blaies' request and Ron said Larry will look at it.

7. Grease trap problems: John hasn't done anything with this. The problems have to be coming from Meadowbrook or the shopping center. Dennis did send the Health Department a letter asking them if they were aware of any particular problems out here. He has not heard anything back from them. John thinks we should go out to the businesses and ask if they have a grease trap and see it and make sure there are no problems with it.
8. FSH System Requirements: Ron said we'll send out the application for the EPA permit on Friday.
9. Grade School bill: Dennis talked to Tomi at the school and told her no utilities would be turned on at that location. Tony has talked to some school board members and he thinks if we have to take it to the school board, it will probably be taken care of.

Ron asked if we want to have the city-wide trash pickup days that are usually held in April. We had to pay to get rid of the tires last year and the committee decided to eliminate the tire drop-off this year. We'll check with St. Clair County to see if they are going to do the tire drop-off this year. Ron is thinking about doing it April 16 - 19. Ron said we need to budget money for televising lines this year to try and locate the sewer infiltration problem areas.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. and Trustee Seth Speiser seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.*



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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING Trash/Water/Sewer (Mattern/Miller/Speiser)

Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

The Public Works Committee Meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, by Chairman Charlie Mattern. Members present were Chairman Charlie Mattern, Trustee Tony Miller, Trustee Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Village Administrator Dennis Herzing, Public Works Director Ron Dintelmann, Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan and Office Manager Julie Polson.

A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of December 16, 2009 minutes: Trustee Tony Miller motioned to approve the December 16, 2009 minutes and Trustee Seth Speiser seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.
2. SAVE Site Water Situation: We have received the Notice to Proceed and Dennis said Netemeyer will take his drawing and put specs with it. Netemeyer will prepare the bid package as a unit-price type bid so if the bids come in lower, there will be enough grant funds to allow the contractor to install as many service taps as the grant can pay for and free up our guys to work on something else.
3. Sewer Project: Dennis met with the Helms and they are fine with us getting the sewer out there and will wait on the lift station until it is needed. Dennis explained the process to them and said we might not get the line constructed within one year of the highway being completed and he thinks they are okay with that. The Helms were very appreciative of us keeping them informed of what we are doing and said they are glad they annexed into Freeburg. Larry said all the field work is done for the sewer going north and he has some preliminary drawings done on some other areas. We still need to get with three residents regarding easements over in the West Street area for that portion of the project. Dennis will send out letters to those residents shortly. Larry thinks we are looking at late March for getting plans done and ready to send in. The loan application package is ready and will probably be sent to EPA tomorrow.
4. Groundwater ordinance: Dennis has heard nothing.
5. Recycling: Dennis confirmed the business is booming. He talked to Harold Carpenter and he will be putting an article in the Tribune. The basic problems we have are the residents are not breaking down the boxes, they are dumping plastic trash bags and if the dumpster is full, they are leaving it piled up in the

recycling center instead of taking it home and coming back later. Dennis had Ron order some signs asking residents to break the cardboard down and not to leave the plastic bags. Tony suggested we put a trash barrel out there specifically for disposing the plastic bags. The committee also discussed getting another dumpster specifically for the cardboard. Dennis thinks if we can get the cardboard broken down and the plastic bags taken out, we may get our loads up to 1,500 - 1,600 pounds instead of the current 1,200 - 1,400 pounds. We hauled 7.5 tons in December and the Township was hauling 2 - 4 tons a month. Dennis said he would like to try educating the public first before we change the setup of the dumpsters. Charlie asked Dennis to talk to the Grants Department to see if there might be some money available in the future to help pay the cost of recycling. Dennis advised the Township did pay half of the recycling bill for December. The committee agreed to send out a phone call reminding residents of the rules, along with the article in the Tribune which may help towards educating the residents. We will also post something on the website.

Dennis advised when the grade school was in the process of buying the home on Lincoln Court, Jane told them there was an outstanding amount due on the utility account. The school told Jane it would be taken care of at closing. When she later contacted them, she was told the closing had been moved but had finally taken place. The outstanding amount on the utility bill had been left off the closing statement and Lawrence Meggs advised Dennis they were not going to pay the bill since it wasn't their bill. Dennis suggested we take the amount due out of the paper recycling profit which amounts to approximately \$500.00 and the committee was in full agreement with Dennis' suggestion. Charlie asked Dennis to have Jane give him a chronology of events.

6. Sewer backup policy: John talked to Duane today and told him what we were doing. There have been no backups since the last incident. Ron is working on the IDOT permit. John said Mike Blaies talked to him and said Mike's home backed up about 5 or 6 years ago. He said with the recent really hard rain, Mike was starting to get a backup in the basement. With the new design, the water will be getting to Mike's much quicker and Mike wants a grinder pump. John said it is a legitimate concern that he might start experiencing problems on a regular basis.
7. Grease trap problems: Dennis sent the letter to the Health Department but has not heard back from them. John and Ron have noticed a fresh grease problem at the lift station. John thinks it might be easier for us to stop in the establishments to review their procedures.
8. FSH System Requirements: Ron said we are waiting on IDOT and EPA's permits and are probably looking at another 60 days. He said FSH has been having a leak at the master meter again. FSH will replace all that piping and meter from 1978 and will try to coordinate with us and have us do our "T" at the same time.
9. Harris Drilling Services water usage: Dennis advised Harris took the one-time credit. Item can be taken off the agenda.

Tony asked if Weber's check valve was put in and John said no, the weather turned bad. John said Weber will be done, then Beasenber and Blaies.

Dennis brought the issue of what to do when renters leave town with an unpaid utility bill. Currently, we have the landlord pay the bill before we let another renter put deposits down. We had two instances where one renter came back into town wanting to place deposits on another rental property, had called and stated they knew they had an unpaid bill and figured it would have to be taken care of before renting the new one. Jane's initial reaction was to tell the renter they would have to pay the old bill amount and credit that amount back to the landlord who had paid the outstanding balance. The second renter came in trying to sign up for utilities and Jane was going to make her pay the old outstanding bill but that renter argued the landlord used her deposit to pay that outstanding bill. The committee agreed this issue should stay between the landlord and tenant and we should stay out of it. Our ordinance states the landlord and tenant are jointly and severally responsible for the bill which means we don't care which party pays for the bill. We will continue our policy of keeping the landlord responsible to pay the outstanding bill before a renter is allowed to pay deposits on that rental property.

B. NEW BUSINESS: None.

C. GENERAL CONCERNS: None.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

E. ADJOURN: *Trustee Tony Miller motioned to adjourn at 4:53 p.m. and Trustee Seth Speiser seconded the motion. All voting aye, motion carried.*



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