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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
& BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER
HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER,
30200 TOWN CENTER ROAD, BEECHER, ILLINOIS
JULY 9, 2012 -- 7:00 P.M.**

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

President Lohmann called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: President Lohmann and Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Treasurer Nelson Collins, Public Works Superintendent Harold "Bud" Cowger and Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber.

GUESTS: Susan Domenget from Southland Voice, George Schuitema and Kim Koutsky.

CLERK'S REPORT: 1) A report on income received since the last meeting was provided. 2) Clerk Conner reminded Board members that they need to take the on-line Open Meetings Act Training by the end of the year.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A copy of the Treasurer's report was provided to the Board for review and the Treasurer was present to answer questions. Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the report of financial activity in the prior month. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Variance reports were provided in the packet for review.

A list of bills totalling \$136,307.63 to be paid was available for review. Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE #1164 - An Ordinance adopting the prevailing wages for Fiscal Year 2011/2012. Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve Ordinance #1164. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion. AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling. NAYS: (0) None. Motion Carried.

Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve a proposal from Lange Excavating in the amount of \$18,500 to backfill low lots holding water adjoining new single family homes in the Nantucket Cove Subdivision and bringing those lots to the curbs. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion. AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling. NAYS: (0) None. Motion Carried.

President Lohmann noted that this is only leveling the land and filling in low spots, not seeding. It does not include backfilling all of the curbs. He also expressed concern about exhausting the letter of credit before getting all improvements completed.

Trustee Ahrendt made a motion authorizing payment of bills from the MGM Escrow Account in the total amount of \$5,335. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion. AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling. NAYS: (0) None. Motion Carried.

Trustee Ahrendt made a motion authorizing payment of bills from the Nantucket Cove Escrow Account in the total amount of \$1,125. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion. AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling. NAYS: (0) None. Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling made a motion approving the use of Firemen's Park for a circus performance sponsored by the Beecher Youth Commission and Beecher Recreation for Friday, August 31st. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion. AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling. NAYS: (0) None. Motion Carried.

Administrator Barber asked that the Youth Commission and Beecher Recreation have the circus provide a certificate of insurance. The tent will be located in the grassy area east of Field #3.

H. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Wehling said he had a request from Pastor D'Andrea to use the picnic grove and pavilion in Firemen's Park for July 18-21 for "Puppets in the Park". Trustee Wehling will discuss with staff as to whether the Village will require them to post a refundable deposit. The consensus of the Board agreed to approve Pastor D'Andrea's request.

Trustee Wehling said that Tractors for a Cure requested to set up a board for the Tractors for a Cure monument, and asked if someone from the Beautification Committee could serve on this board.

There being no further business, President Lohmann asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner
Village Clerk