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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  
JUNE 9, 2014 -- 7:00 P.M.**

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

President Szymanski called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber, Treasurer Kim Koutsky, Deputy Treasurer Nelson Collins and Superintendent of Public Works Bud Cowger.

**GUEST:** George Schuitema.

**REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS**

Trustee Ahrendt provided a Beautification Commission report. Baskets are up and flowers have been planted. Flags and banners are also up.

Trustee Kuhlman reported that Fourth of July car raffle tickets were sold Sunday at the Tri-City Chevy Show. Brochures will be available soon and distributed. Information on the Beef Roast and the Fourth of July Festival has been mailed out.

Trustee Kypuros provided a Youth Commission report. The Amazing Race will be held on June 21<sup>st</sup> and B.L.A.S.T. Babysitting classes will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

Trustee Wehling reported that the Ribbon of Hope Commission's balance is now approximately \$8,200. A new donation was received.

**A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**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

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the Treasurer's Report and the Report of Financial Activity in the prior month. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

A copy of the Fourth of July account budget and expenses was provided to the Board for review. Fourth of July Treasurer Collins provided a report.

Variance reports for the preceding month were provided in the packet for review.

A list of bills totalling \$172,483.88 to be paid was available for review. A summary of the list of bills was provided. Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the installation of the mast and antenna for a fire communications microwave link on the Village's water tower. The only issue being resolved at this time is how the antenna will be attached to our water tower. The proposal is to drill into the tank which was of concern. The Village Engineer is looking at this to determine the best option. According to Administrator Barber it would be stud welded. President Szymanski is going to a meeting this week to discuss this with other taxing bodies. Administrator Barber said there is also a need to determine how this weld would be verified. Trustee Cleary made a motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with EASTCOM for the use of the Village's water tower for a fire communications microwave link, subject to the Village President's approval of the installation of the antenna on the water tower. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the purchase of ornamental poles for signage in Hunter's Chase East, Prairie Park and Prairie Crossings South. Trustee Kypuros made a motion authorizing the purchase of 27 ornamental poles. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling reporting on bids received for the remodeling of 625 Dixie Highway. JDK Construction's bid of \$129,500 was the lowest bid received and has been qualified since the last meeting. Trustee Wehling made a motion authorizing the award of bid to JDK Construction in the amount of \$129,500 for the remodeling of 625 Dixie Highway for a new Village Hall. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

AYES: (4) Trustees Cleary, Meyer, Kypuros and Wehling.

NAYS: (2) Trustees Ahrendt and Kuhlman.

Motion Carried.

The Board considered a request to defer tap-in fees until the time of certificate of occupancy for Lot 48 in the Prairie Park Subdivision. Administrator Barber reported that Castletown Homes has requested deferral of tap-in fees until certificate of occupancy is issued. The school is also considering deferring their impact fee for this lot at their meeting. Trustee Cleary asked if the house would have a meter and be using water. Superintendent Cowger said the house would have a meter put in and charged for any water used. Trustee Cleary was concerned that if water was left on and no heat in the home that pipes could burst and flood the basement, therefore having unmetered water. There was some discussion regarding this. Trustee Ahrendt asked about putting a lien on the property to make sure all unpaid fees are paid before closing including the deferred tap-in fees. She expressed concerns that something could fall through the cracks and the Village might not get our fees. Trustee Kuhlman also expressed concerns that this could set a precedent. President Szymanski recommended that the Village consider this matter on a case by case basis and defer discussion of this matter further to the Committee. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to defer tap-in fees for Lot 48 in Prairie Park until time of certificate of occupancy. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Cleary, Meyer, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (1) Trustee Ahrendt.

Motion Carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

President Szymanski asked who planned to walk in the Fourth of July parade.

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

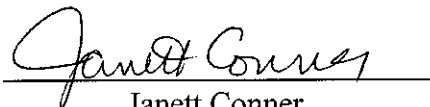
AYES: (6) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Meyer, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner  
Village Clerk