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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
SEPTEMBER 8, 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.

GUESTS: George Schuitema and Chuck Hoehn.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

Trustee Ahrendt reported that the next Beautification Committee meeting will be held on September 9th at the Village Hall.

A Fourth of July Commission report was provided. The Board discussed authorizing the purchase of materials and payment for materials for the beer stand building in Firemen's Park in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. President Szymanski requested clarification of the motion as to what is being authorized. Fourth of July Commission Treasurer Nelson Collins said the Commission is looking for authorization in the amount of \$30,000 for expenses pertaining to the Lowes Credit Card. This will allow the Fourth of July Commission to take advantage of a 5% savings offer for items charged to that card. Any future costs will be approved separately as the expenses are incurred. Trustee Kuhlman made a motion authorizing the purchase and payment of materials for the beer stand building in an amount not to exceed \$30,000. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros reported that the next Youth Commission event is the Family Camp Out on September 13th in Firemen's Park.

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

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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

A list of bills totalling \$137,129.36 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 considered MFT Fund Resolutions of Appropriation for FY 2013/14 as requested by the Village Engineer to reconcile last year's appropriation to the exact amounts spent:

RESOLUTION #2014-10 - A Resolution authorizing \$1,437.50 of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds as local match to Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for traffic signal upgrades. Trustee Cleary made a motion to adopt Resolution #2014-10. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #2014-11 - A Resolution authorizing \$1,500 in Motor Fuel Tax funds for Safe Routes to Schools application. Trustee Cleary made a motion to adopt Resolution #2014-11. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Cleary made a motion authorizing a Motor Fuel Tax engineering services agreement in the amount of \$1,500 with Baxter and Woodman for Safe Routes to Schools. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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Trustee Wehling made a motion to approve payment of bills from the 625 Dixie Highway Account in the amount of \$11,760.19. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (2) Trustees Ahrendt and Kuhlman.

Motion Carried.

The Board discussed waiving the bidding requirements for the purchase of furnishings for 625 Dixie Highway, due to the uniqueness of the bids. President Szymanski clarified that even though formal bids were not obtained that two prices were received for the furniture and McGrath Whalen's bid was recommended to be approved. Trustee Wehling made a motion to waive bidding requirements for the purchase of furnishings due to the uniqueness of the bids. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (2) Trustees Ahrendt and Kuhlman.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling made a motion awarding a proposal for purchase of furnishings for 625 Dixie Highway to McGrath Whalen of Joliet in the amount of \$40,573. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (2) Trustees Ahrendt and Kuhlman.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling explained a proposal for the purchase of two new phone systems. One is for 625 Dixie Highway (a VOIP based system) and the second system for the Police Station at 724 Penfield Street. Trustee Ahrendt questioned if the Police and Village Hall are linked together. Trustee Wehling made a motion to approve a proposal from Call One in the amount of \$19,337.35 to purchase two new phone systems, one for 625 Dixie Highway and one for the Police Department at 724 Penfield Street. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board considered waiving of bids due to time constraints for the pouring of a footing and a slab for the new beer stand in Firemen's Park. Copies of the proposals received were provided in the packet for review. Trustee Cleary asked questions about the time line for this project and some technical aspects of the project. Trustee Wehling made a motion authorizing the waiving of bids for the pouring of a footing and a slab for the new beer stand in Firemen's Park. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling made a motion to award a bid to Carta Concrete Construction in the amount of \$30,675 for the pouring of a footing and slab for the new beer stand in Firemen's Park. Trustee

Ahrendt seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

There being no further business, President Szymanski asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Kuhlman 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 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner
Village Clerk