

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT
& BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER
HELD AT THE BEECHER VILLAGE HALL,
625 DIXIE HIGHWAY, BEECHER, ILLINOIS
AUGUST 8, 2016 -- 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 Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

ABSENT: Trustee Wehling.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber, Treasurer Lynne Orr and Superintendent of Public Works Bud Cowger.

GUEST: George Schuitema, Kim Koutsky and Stacy Mazurek.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the July 25, 2016 Board meeting. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

There was nothing to report on the Beautification Commission.

Trustee Kuhlman reported that the Fourth of July celebration was one of the most successful in many years. Final numbers are not in yet, but all went well.

Trustee Kypuros reported on the Movie in the Park that was recently held. It went well, despite the weather. The next event will be a campout at Goodenow Grove Forest Preserve on August 13th.

Trustee Basile reported on the Ribbon of Hope Commission. All the paver bricks have been installed around the ribbon. Landscaping still needs to be done. The ribbon looks nice.

Clerk Conner reported that the next Historic Preservation Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16th at the Village Hall.

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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 Meyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Report of Financial Activity in the prior month. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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

A list of bills totalling \$173,001.50 to be paid was available for review. A summary of the list of bills was provided. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Clerk Conner reported that residents on Saddle Run want to hold a block party on August 13th. There were no objections from the Board.

The Board again discussed construction of a boardwalk along Gould Street. This item was tabled at the last meeting since the Board desired to see at least three proposals having the same specifications. Several proposals have been received. Trustee Basile reported that the Committee met before the Board meeting to discuss the bids. The contractors are still bidding different things so the bids are difficult to compare. It was decided it would be best to get a blueprint from an architect so all contractors will bid on the same thing. Trustee Kuhlman asked who would do the blueprints and how much it would cost. Mike Stanula will be contacted to do the prints. It was estimated to cost \$1,500. The prints will then be provided to the four contractors who previously bid specifying what exactly is to be bid upon, so all bids are based on the same information.

Trustee Basile made a motion to get blueprints done for the boardwalk along Gould Street for the contractors to bid on. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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

AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janett Conner". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Janett Conner
Village Clerk