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
APRIL 10, 2017 -- 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, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
ABSENT: None.

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

GUEST: Karen Smith of Southland Voice, Mike Badali and Stacy Mazurek.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the March 27, 2017 Board meeting. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Kuhlman seconded the motion.
AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
ABSTAIN: (1) Trustee Wehling.
Motion carried.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

Trustee Ahrendt reported that the next Beautification Commission meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30 p.m. and begin at the Depot and move to the Village Hall.

Trustee Kuhlman reported on the Fourth of July Commission. Everything is running on schedule. The next meeting is scheduled for April 18th at the Village Hall.

Trustee Kypuros reported that the Youth Commission’s Mom-Son dance was held on April 1st. It was well attended and went well.

Trustee Basile reported that the Ribbon of Hope Commission met the previous week and the next meeting is scheduled for May 4th. The Commission is working on getting new benches engraved and hope to have them dedicated by late June.
Trustee Wehling reported that the Historic Preservation Commission ordered a sign for the historic Depot. The Commission is in the process of ordering six plaques to be placed on some homes and businesses in town.

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: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, 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 $162,215.72 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 Wehling seconded the motion.
AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Trustee Meyer made a motion authorizing the elimination of the “Due To” from the Park Account to the General Fund in the amount of $176,138 and direct the Treasurer to deposit all proceeds from park impact fees into the account starting May 1, 2017. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.
AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve a proposal from Duff and Phelps in the amount of $3,515 to conduct an appraisal of all non-park Village facilities for replacement cost purposes. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion. This is through our self-insured liability pool to provide standardized insurance audits of all insured facilities so the replacement value is properly calculated.
AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

The Board considered granting a special use permit to Sophia’s Café for an off-premise directional advertising sign at 548 Dixie Highway. The PZC held a public hearing and unanimously recommended granting of the special use permit. The permit runs with Sophia’s and cannot be replaced by another off-premise business sign or modified in any way. This will be a vertical sign on the blue pole. The Chief also did a visibility report and indicated visibility would not be an issue.
ORDINANCE #1259 - An Ordinance granting a special use permit to Sophia’s Café for the permanent display of an off-premise directional advertising sign at 548 Dixie Highway at Bahlman’s Service Center. Trustee Ahrendt made a motion to approve Ordinance #1259. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.
AYES: (5) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
ABSTAIN: (1) Trustee Kuhlman.
Motion carried.

There being no further business, President Szymanski asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Wehling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.
AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Janett Conner
Village Clerk