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**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
JULY 9, 2018 -- 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 Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Greg Smith, Public Works Crew Leader Matt Conner and Treasurer Donna Rooney.

GUEST: George Schuitema and Becky Thompson.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the June 25, 2018 Board meeting. Trustee Wehling made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

Crew Leader Matt Conner provided a Beautification Commission report. The Commission is buying a memorial bench in the park in recognition of Paul Lohmann.

A Fourth of July Commission report was provided by Trustee Meyer. The festival income is down \$20,000 this year over last year. There were really good and really bad nights. Due to the rain on the 4th, the fireworks were sinking into the mud and had to be set off early during the rain. There was no cell service down at the Park during that time, so it was difficult to inform the residents about the changes. President Szymanski thanked the Commission members, volunteers, residents, etc., for everything. The weather was a challenge. The Park flooded on the 4th of July. President Szymanski thanked the Fire Department for providing a large fan in the Park to cool off things during the hot weather.

Trustee Mazurek provided an update on the Youth Commission. The kid and pet parade was successful. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 18th.

Trustee Wehling reported on the Historic Preservation Commission. Drivin' the Dixie was held and approximately 120 cars came through town and stopped at the Depot. The next meeting is scheduled for July 18th.

A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

TREASURER'S REPORT: A copy of the Treasurer's report was provided to the Board for review and Treasurer Rooney was present to answer questions. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and the Report of Financial Activity in the prior month. Trustee Kraus seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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

A list of bills totaling \$149,921.021 to be paid was available for review. A summary of the list of bills was provided. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros reported that a bid opening for the replacement of the Dunbar watermain was held on June 28th. Six bids were received. The lowest compliant bidder was Bisping Construction which was lower than the engineer's estimate of \$379,400. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to award a bid to Bisping Construction of New Lenox, IL, in the amount of \$220,046.64 replacing watermain on Dunbar Street from Hodges to Indiana Avenue. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE #1288 – An Ordinance regulating small cell wireless facilities in Village rights of way. A copy of the ordinance and supporting material was provided in the packet for review. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to approve Ordinance #1288. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board again discussed the options of signing an intergovernmental agreement with the Will County Aggregation Group, authorizing an amendment of the governance ordinance to become part of the Nania Energy plan or to let all residential accounts in the Village go back to ComEd. The Nania option would require two public hearings to be held. Nania has provided a price of

0.06999 per kwh. The pricing is variable according to Becky Thompson from Nania Energy. She provided an explanation of their price versus the other options. Administrator Barber explained the energy market is more level now so he could not provide a recommendation on which way to go. Trustee Kypuros clarified that no matter which option we choose we will never be higher than the ComEd rate and recommended doing what we have done the last six years for aggregation. Trustee Kypuros made a motion authorizing the Village President and Clerk to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the Will County Aggregation Group. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

H. NEW BUSINESS

President Szymanski reported that Bob Harms won the Fourth of July raffle car.

President Szymanski reported on a letter provided by the Village Attorney from Fieldgate and the matter has been referred to the Attorney to handle.

President Szymanski said the Village recently went into a combined dispatch center and the new executive director of the center just recently passed away. He wanted to make the Board aware.

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


AYES: (6) Trustees Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner
Village Clerk