

**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 13, 2020 -- 4:00 P.M.**

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

President Szymanski called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT IN PERSON:** President Szymanski and Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros and Kraus.

**PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:** Trustee Meyer.

**ABSENT:** Trustee Mazurek.

**STAFF PRESENT IN PERSON:** Clerk Janett Conner and Administrator Robert Barber.

**STAFF PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:** Chief Greg Smith.

**ABSENT:** Trustee Mazurek.

**GUESTS:** None.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the March 9, 2020 regular Board meeting. Trustee Wehling made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

**AYES:** (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

**NAYS:** (0) None.

Motion Carried.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the March 18, 2020 Special meeting. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

**AYES:** (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

**NAYS:** (0) None.

Motion Carried.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

1) A report on income received since the last meeting was provided. 2) Clerk Conner reminded residents to complete their 2020 Census forms.

**RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE**

None.

## VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT



President Szymanski provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic and explained the changes being made to Village business. He felt Beecher residents are doing a good job complying with stay at home order, etc. Village is still conducting regular business but the building is closed to the public. If residents have any questions they can call the Village Hall or check the Village website.

### A. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Trustee Basile made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$337,306.76. A summary of the list of bills was provided. Trustee Kraus asked that the NEMERT bill be pulled (\$1,710), which made the new total \$337,306.76. Trustee Kraus seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE #1326 – An Ordinance authorizing entry into a water supply loan agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). The loan will be for an amount not to exceed \$4,126,250 with all but \$61,000 of the loan being forgiven since we are in a high need category. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to approve Ordinance #1326. Trustee Kraus seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE #1327 – An Ordinance of supplemental appropriation for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve Ordinance #1327. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #2020-07 – A Resolution authorizing line item transfers in the budget to cover prior spending in the current fiscal year. Trustee Basile made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-07. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros made a motion authorizing payment to Baxter and Woodman in the amount of \$17,898.79 for construction management services related to the Beecher wastewater treatment plant upon receipt of IEPA loan funds. Trustee Kraus seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

## **G. OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Kraus asked where we are with the budget. Administrator Barber explained that everything is good for this fiscal year, but next fiscal year is unknown due to the long term effects of the pandemic. Administrator Barber met with department heads and made major cuts to the upcoming budget. The Board will be provided with a report to show all cuts. The Board has until August 1<sup>st</sup> to approve an appropriation ordinance. A budget workshop will need to be held to discuss. Everything will continue as is for now. All expenses have been put on hold for now. The quiet zone was discussed and whether work should continue to get this done since it was approved by the Board in the current budget.

## **I. NEW BUSINESS**

The Board asked about Village staffing levels and how it is all working. The split staffing levels in the Village Hall was explained and it seems to be working well so far.

The following monthly reports were provided in the packet for review:

1. Treasurer's Report
2. Variance Report
3. Building Department monthly report
4. Police Department monthly report
5. Water Department monthly report
6. Sewer Department monthly report

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: (5) Trustees Basile, Wehling, Kypuros, Meyer and Kraus.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
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Janett Conner  
Village Clerk