

**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
JUNE 22, 2020 -- 7:00 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 Mazurek, Basile, Wehling, Kypuros and Meyer.

PRESENT ON PHONE: Trustee Kraus.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Public Works Superintendent Matt Conner and Chief Greg Smith.

GUESTS: None.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the June 8, 2020 Board meeting. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Mazurek seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSTAIN: (1) Trustee Basile.

Motion Carried.

CLERK'S REPORT - No report.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE - None.

REPORT OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

President Szymanski reported that the Village will be going into Phase 4 of the State's Plan. There are currently 42 COVID cases in Beecher.

ORDINANCE #1329 – An Ordinance amending Ordinance #1258 to increase the water pollution loan agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by \$300,000 from \$10,000,000 to \$10,300,000. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve Ordinance #1329. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board discussed amending the rules for Firemen's Park regarding reservations of ballfields. President Szymanski reported that Beecher Rec put in their usual reservations for the fields and then traveling teams not located in Beecher that may have one or two Beecher residents on the team reserved ballfields. Beecher Rec currently maintains the ballfields and makes improvements where the other teams do not, so there is now an issue with out of town teams using the fields. Attorney Kuiper reported on details of the changes to the Resolution amending the park rules. This has come about due to the pandemic after the closure of private baseball and softball facilities, which caused problems with local ballfields. The Attorney prepared amended rules for the Park with input from the Committee Chair. This is for new reservations only, according to Attorney Kuiper. It was questioned since there was an extensive amount of time reserved by an outside organization and why these new rules can't be applied to previous reservations. There was some discussion on the enforcement of this. It was considered to not allow ballfield reservations to be made during the customary months that Beecher Rec normally uses the fields. It was also questioned whether the Village can cancel existing reservations due to the changes in the stay at home phases according to the State. Attorney Kuiper said that any reservations can be cancelled with two week notice after approval of the Resolution. Any reservations taken in the future will include a fee.

RESOLUTION #2020-12 – A Resolution amending the rules for Firemen's Park regarding reservations of ballfields, amending the fees to be based on an hourly rate plus the deposit. Trustee Wehling made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-12. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling made a motion cancelling all reservations for ballfields starting two weeks from June 22, 2020. Trustee Mazurek seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #2020-13 – A Resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$7,000 in M.F.T. funds in Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the purchase of road salt. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-13. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.


Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros made a motion authorizing the transfer of \$28,842.44 from the Infrastructure Sales Tax Account to the Motor Fuel Tax Account to pay for thermoplastic paint striping. Trustee Mazurek seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.



RESOLUTION #2020-14 – A Resolution of appropriation in the amount of \$1,600 to pay for the application for S.T.P. funds for Gould Street resurfacing. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-14. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION #2020-15 – A Resolution of appropriation and an engineering services agreement with Baxter and Woodman in the amount of \$16,000 for the Phase I environmental assessment and plan for the Gould Street resurfacing project from Penfield to Gould Streets. Trustee Kypuros made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-15. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros made a motion approving an addendum to original construction management services contract with Baxter and Woodman Engineers, increasing the contract amount by \$5,000 from \$628,000 to \$633,000 for services rendered at the Beecher wastewater treatment plant. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros requested an executive session be held at the end of the meeting to discuss a collective bargaining agreement with Local #399 for the Department of Public Works.

Administrator Barber reported that the Rebuild Illinois Fast Track grant announcements are coming on June 30th. The Gould Street watermain is in play. Staff also applied for regular track grant funding and that will be announced in August, 2020.

Administrator Barber reported that a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 25th.

There being no further business to be discussed in open session, Trustee Wehling made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. to discuss a collective bargaining agreement with Local #399 for the Department of Public Works. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Trustee Wehling made a motion to return to regular session at 8:15 p.m. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

President Szymanski reported that Saturday's protest in Firemen's Park was peaceful and the Police Department was thanked on Facebook for their help and cooperation with the event.

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

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner
Village Clerk