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 28, 2025 -- 6:00 P.M.

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

President Meyer called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: President Meyer and Trustees Stacey, Tieri (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett McCawley, Administrator Charity Mitchell, Public Works Superintendent Matt Conner, Chief Terry Lemming, Treasurer Donna Lippelt, EMA Director Bob Heim, Code Enforcement Officer David Harrison and Deputy Clerk Patty Meyer.

GUESTS: Jerry Meyer, George Schuitema and Jessica Smith.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Meyer asked for consideration of the minutes of the April 14, 2025 Board meeting. Trustee Kraus made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Stacey seconded.

AYES: (4) Trustees Stacey, Kraus, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSTAIN: (1) Trustee Gardner.

ABSENT: (1) Trustee Tieri.

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE – None.

VILLAGE CLERK REPORT - None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT

Trustee Tieri arrived at 6:03 p.m.

President Meyer read aloud a Proclamation recognizing Patty Meyer for 20+ years of service and congratulating her in retirement. Patty Meyer was present.

President Meyer read aloud a Proclamation recognizing Municipal Clerk's Week – May 4-10, 2025.

President Meyer read aloud a Proclamation recognizing National Police Week - May 11-17, 2025.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Trustee Kraus made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$443,854.41 and payroll since the last meeting. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Kraus made a motion to open a Public Hearing at 6:09 p.m. to consider a proposed budget for fiscal year 2025/2026. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held to review the proposed budget for fiscal year 2025/2026. Administrator Mitchell provided a report on the highlights of the budget. The Board and audience were given opportunity to ask questions or make comments. President Meyer noted changes to Youth Commission budget this year and the other commissions. There were no further questions or comments.

Trustee Tieri made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 6:16 p.m. Trustee Gardner seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

<u>RESOLUTION #2025-03</u> – A Resolution adopting the budget for fiscal year 2025/2026. Trustee Kraus made a motion to adopt Resolution #2025-03. Trustee Stacey seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1421 – An Ordinance of appropriation in the same amount of authorization as contained in the fiscal year 2025/2026 budget. Trustee Kraus made a motion to approve Ordinance #1421. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

<u>PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE</u>

Trustee Diachenko made a motion to approve bid package 18 – fencing, from Classic Fence, Inc. in the amount of \$67,540 to install fencing at the new Public Safety Facility. Trustee Kraus seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.



An update was provided on bid package 16 – a change order from Indicom Electric in an amount not to exceed \$12,400 was required to install low voltage conduit for the fence gate operators at the new Public Safety Facility.

Trustee Diachenko made a motion to approve a one-month extension of the Builder's Risk policy for the new Public Safety Facility in an amount not to exceed \$1,500. Trustee Kraus seconded. The current policy expires May 1, 2025 and the expected move-in date is not until late May 2025.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE #1422 – An Ordinance modifying a moratorium on the collection of certain new residential building permit fees in the Village of Beecher. Trustee Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance #1422. Trustee Tieri seconded. This Ordinance amends the cash in lieu of land for parks fee and the cash in lieu of land for school fees.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1423 – An Ordinance amending code sections 12-3-4(A) and 12-7-3(A) of the Village of Beecher as it pertains to water and sewer permit fees. Trustee Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance #1423. Trustee Tieri seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #1424 – An Ordinance authorizing and approving a right of way agreement for broadband internet with Surf Air Wireless, LLC and the Village of Beecher, Will County, Illinois. Trustee Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance #1424. Trustee Weissbohn seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE #1425 – An Ordinance authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement by and between the Village of Beecher and the Beecher School District 200U for a Police Resource Officer. Trustee Tieri made a motion to approve Ordinance #1425. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

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AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal for sidewalk and curb replacement from K.R.T. Concrete in the amount of \$13,500. The Superintendent went out to bid with four companies, and only one proposal was received. Trustee Gardner seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal from Affordable Concrete Raising in the amount of \$3,660 for sidewalk "mud-jacking" in certain areas around town. Trustee Gardner seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a bid for asphalt patches in various locations around town in the amount of \$10,320 from McGill Paving. Trustee Weissbohn seconded. The Superintendent went to bid with seven companies and received five bids at the bid opening.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a bid for asphalt replacement in the 500 and 600 blocks of Birch Drive as well as the 500 block of Elm Street from Wirkus Paving in the amount of \$62,955.20. Trustee Gardner seconded. The Superintendent went to bid with seven companies, and five bids were received at the bid opening.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion to waive the formal bid process for additional asphalt work in the 600 block of Elm Street. Trustee Gardner seconded. The contractor with the lowest bid for the road resurfacing project has agreed to use the same unit pricing for the additional work. This stretch of road is in need of repair as the road edges have failed due to erosion during heavy rainfall.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal from Wirkus Paving in the amount of \$25,648.64 for the additional asphalt work in the 600 block of Elm Street. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.



Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal from Wirkus Paving in the amount of \$8,341 for the sealcoating and striping of the Firemen's Park parking lot as agreed upon in the intergovernmental agreement with the Fire District. Trustee Gardner seconded. The agreement states that this is required every five years and is the responsibility of the Village.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal from Wirkus Paving in the amount of \$8,582 for the sealcoating of Firemen's Park. Trustee Gardner seconded. This includes the picnic grove areas, bingo stand, beer stand, both alleyways, and the walking path around the north end of the park. The 4th of July Commission will reimburse the Village for half of the total cost as this is one of their projects this year in the park.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving a proposal from Wirkus Paving in the amount of \$3,650 for the sealcoating of the parking lot at the Public Works shop on Cardinal Creek Boulevard. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion approving the purchase of a 2025 John Deere 960 zero turn mower from Shorewood Home and Auto in the amount of \$14,323.54. Two other mowing units in the fleet will be sold due to consistent mechanical failures. Trustee Gardner seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion to accept a proposal from Baxter and Woodman for 2025 NPDES MS4 program assistance in the amount of \$7,200. This amount is included in the fiscal year 2025/2026 budget. Trustee Gardner seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Trustee Weissbohn made a motion to approve the use of TIF funds to purchase a wayfinding sign from All Right Signs in the amount of \$6,078.95 to provide signage to the businesses in the

downtown area within Beecher TIF District #1. Trustee Diachenko seconded. Trustee Kraus recommended setting guidelines for how to list businesses on the sign. Economic Development Committee can discuss this and set some guidelines.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

There being no further business to be discussed in regular session, Trustee Weissbohn made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:37 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.

Trustee Stacey made a motion to return to regular session at 6:48 p.m. Trustee Weissbohn seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

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

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Village Clerk