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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
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 -- 7:00 P.M.**

All present joined in the Pledge to the Flag.

President Pro-Tem Wehling called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

ABSENT: President Szymanski.

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

GUEST: Stacy Mazurek.

President Pro-Tem Wehling asked for consideration of the minutes of the August 24, 2015 Board meeting. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve the minutes as written. 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 the minutes of the August 26, 2015 Intergovernmental meeting. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

AYES: (3) Trustees Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSTAIN: (3) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros and Wehling.

Motion failed.

A correction will be made to the August 26, 2015 Intergovernmental meeting minutes to show Trustee Wehling as being absent. The minutes will be considered again at the next meeting when President Szymanski is present.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

Trustee Ahrendt reported that the Beautification Commission will be taking a trip to see the Mausoleum this week.

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There was nothing new to report on the Fourth of July Commission, Youth Commission or Ribbon of Hope Commission.

Trustee Wehling reported that the next Historic Preservation Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15th at the Depot.

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 with the correction to include the Ribbon of Hope Commission, which was omitted in the report. 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 to be paid was available for review. Administrator Barber reported on the bills added to the list that day and requested a bill for Synagro Central also be added to the bill list in the amount of \$13,440 for sludge hauling. Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$111,920.58, including the additional Synagro bill. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$15,447 to Galleeney Concrete for the installation of sidewalk on Blue Heron and Bald Eagle and in the amount of \$2,230 to Lange Trucking for 65 tons of 3" rip -rap from The Preserves at Cardinal Creek Escrow Account. Trustee Wehling seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

The Board discussed what other improvements need to be made using remaining funds in the Cardinal Creek Escrow Account. Administrator Barber noted that the only strip of bike path left to sealcoat is from Church Road to Bald Eagle because the Homeowner’s Association has done the rest.

Trustee Meyer made a motion to approve payment of a bill from Tadpole’s in the amount of \$354 for mowing of vacant lots. Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion Carried.

Trustee Kypuros made a motion to approve holding a special Village Board meeting and Executive Session on Monday, September 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss personnel (the position of Village Treasurer) and land acquisition (easements for storm water conveyance). Trustee Ahrendt seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS


Trustee Wehling reported on a proposal from Tadpole's to put mulch in parks in the Village and wanted a Board consensus as to whether to move forward with this. The money was budgeted but held because of the State budget impasse and now that we can spend the money Public Works doesn't have the time to do it. Superintendent Cowger was authorized to approve work to be done at an amount not to exceed \$6,495 for mulching four parks: Prairie Park, Hunter's Chase Park, Nantucket Cove Park and Water Tower Park and spraying and removal of weeds. Some Board members felt it was a bad time of the year to do this, but were assured that it was delayed because of the State budget issues. Public Works will also install a moisture barrier before putting mulch down.

There being no further business, Trustee Ahrendt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

AYES: (6) Trustees Ahrendt, Kypuros, Wehling, Kuhlman, Basile and Meyer.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner
Village Clerk