

**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
MARCH 12, 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 Basile, Meyer, Kraus, Mazurek, Kypuros and Wehling.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Chief Greg Smith, Treasurer Donna Rooney, Attorney Tim Kuiper and Superintendent of Public Works Bud Cowger.

GUESTS: Lisa Smith, Damon Aleman, Phillip and Jacque Arnold, Joe Wazny, Aaron Klima, Joe and Marge Cook, Robert Raspanti, Michael Rodriguez, Bob Heim, Rick Emerson, Mirrissa Fraher, Jeff Young, Sherry Murray, Ann Waterman, Andrew LeRoy, Roger Sipple, Dan Tully, Thad Mezyk, Ron Demitro, Denis Tatgenhorst, Linda Krug, Patty Meyer, Donna Barber, George Schuitema, Chris Szymanski and Kyle McCawley and members of the Beecher Fire Department and Lemont Police Department.

President Szymanski asked for consideration of the minutes of the February 26, 2018 Board meeting and March 5, 2018 Budget meeting. Trustee Wehling made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Basile seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

REPORTS OF VILLAGE COMMISSIONS

Superintendent Cowger provided a Beautification Commission update. The flower baskets have been ordered.

There was nothing to report on the Fourth of July Commission.

Trustee Mazurek provided a Youth Commission update. The Commission is getting ready to plan the mother and son dance and is looking for more volunteers.

Trustee Basile reported that the Ribbon of Hope Commission's next meeting is March 22nd and dedication of the ribbon is scheduled for Sunday, May 20th.

Trustee Wehling reported that the next Historic Preservation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 21st at 6 p.m. at the Depot.

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 Meyer seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

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

A list of bills totaling \$113,257.62 to be paid was available for review. A summary of the list of bills was provided. EMA uniforms, decals for truck, and a new engine put in an EMA vehicle were questioned by Trustee Kraus. Trustee Basile made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. Trustee Meyer seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

President Szymanski announced the retirement of Public Works employee Floyd Burger, effective May 4th.

H. NEW BUSINESS

President Szymanski thanked Chiefs Wazny and Arnold for all their help in choosing the new police chief.

Chief of Police Greg Smith was formally sworn in by Clerk Conner and his badge pinned on by his wife, Lisa. Chief Smith then thanked everyone for their support.

It was announced that cake and refreshments would be served after the meeting.

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

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


Janett Conner
Village Clerk