

PUBLIC HEARING
MAY14, 2012

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER, ILLINOIS HELD AT THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CENTER, 30200 TOWN CENTER ROAD, BEECHER, ILLINOIS BEGINNING AT 7:14 P.M. ON MAY 14, 2012.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: President Lohmann and Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling (arrived at 8:22 p.m.)

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Treasurer Nelson Collins, Public Works Superintendent Harold "Bud" Cowger and Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber.

GUEST: George Schuitema.

Trustee Ahrendt made a motion to open a public hearing at 7:14 p.m. to consider a Community Development Block Grant application for the replacement of the Maxwell Street watermain.

Trustee Kypuros seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros and Kuhlman.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSENT: (1) Trustee Wehling.

Motion Carried.

Administrator Barber stated that the Village is not eligible for the grant because the surveys came back unfavorably.

Trustee Szymanski made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Trustee Cleary seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros and Kuhlman.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSENT: (1) Trustee Wehling.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:



Janett Conner, Village Clerk

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ROLL CALL

PRESENT: President Lohmann and Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros, Kuhlman and Wehling (arrived at 8:22 p.m.)

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett Conner, Administrator Robert Barber, Treasurer Nelson Collins, Public Works Superintendent Harold "Bud" Cowger and Chief Jeffrey Weissgerber.

GUEST: George Schuitema.

Trustee Cleary made a motion to open a public hearing at 7:06 p.m. to consider a plan of governance and aggregation of electric loads for the Village of Beecher. Trustee Szymanski seconded the motion.

AYES: (5) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros and Kuhlman.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSENT: (1) Trustee Wehling.

Motion Carried.

Administrator Barber explained the process and how it will work for residents and handouts were available. Trustee Ahrendt asked how it would affect those on budget billing. Billing will continue with ComEd and payment plans will stay the same. Trustee Cleary asked about the Tenaska bill and how the proposed law would affect this aggregation group. Beecher is on record as being opposed to this bill. George Schuitema asked what costs would be involved for this aggregation group and how the Board hires a consultant. Administrator Barber explained those who are on the aggregation group board and how the consultant is hired. Mr. Schuitema also asked who performs the auditing process. An auditor has not yet been selected.

When there were no more questions or comments, Trustee Cleary made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:14 p.m. Trustee Kuhlman seconded the motion.

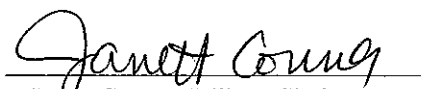
AYES: (5) Trustees Cleary, Ahrendt, Szymanski, Kypuros and Kuhlman.

NAYS: (0) None.

ABSENT: (1) Trustee Wehling.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by:


Janett Conner, Village Clerk