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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
FEBRUARY 24, 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, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Clerk Janett McCawley, Administrator Charity Mitchell, Public Works Superintendent Matt Conner, Chief Terry Lemming and EMA Director Bob Heim.

GUESTS: George Schuitema and two residents from Birch Street.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Meyer asked for consideration of the minutes of the February 10, 2025 Board meeting. Trustee Tieri made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Weissbohn seconded.

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

NAYS: (0) None.

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

Two residents who live on Birch Street asked the Board if there are any plans to repair Birch Street because the road is in bad shape. There have been watermain breaks and repairs done in that area which makes the area rough to drive. It is also a route for parents to drive through when dropping off kids at the Elementary School. Superintendent Conner acknowledges that the road is in bad shape and he will be looking into doing repairs.

VILLAGE CLERK REPORT – None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT REPORT – None.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Trustee Kraus made a motion to approve payment of the list of bills in the amount of \$611,506.65 and payroll since the last meeting. Trustee Stacey seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.



RESOLUTION #2025-01 – A Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into a contract for the purchase of electricity from the lowest cost electricity provider for the purposes of commercial accounts through the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) bid process. Trustee Kraus made a motion to adopt Resolution #2025-01. Trustee Diachenko seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PROPERTIES, PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Trustee Diachenko made a motion approving a proposal with Definitive Resources for the installation of audio-visual equipment in the new Public Safety Facility community room in the amount of \$8,948.25. Trustee Tieri seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Trustee Diachenko made a motion approving a proposal from MGM Excavating for excavation of black dirt at the new Public Safety Facility parking lot in the amount of \$5,675. Trustee Stacey seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Trustee Diachenko made a motion approving a proposal from Matthew Paving for the installation of stone and asphalt at the new Public Safety Facility parking lot in the amount of \$12,550. Trustee Weissbohn seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

The next regular Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Trustee Tieri made a motion authorizing the Police Department to purchase a 2025 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV from Thomas Dodge in the amount of \$43,562. The lead time of the vehicle is 10-12 weeks and will be purchased out of the 2025/2026 budget. Trustee Kraus seconded.

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Action on an intergovernmental agreement with IPWMAN was tabled until the next meeting. The agreement has not yet been received by Administrator Mitchell.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

No report was provided.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrator Mitchell provided an update on the Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Map is being updated which needs to be approved at the same time as the Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance and updated map should be available for consideration at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Lemming reported that the Police Department's tasers are antiquated and he would like to purchase the X10 model taser for a cost of approximately \$50,000 to be paid over five years. Chief Lemming will provide a contract at the next meeting for consideration.


Administrator Mitchell reported on the property sold by the school district to an individual. A portion of the property with the playground equipment and memorial trees is on the prospective buyer's property so that will need to be removed. There is not anywhere to relocate equipment within Lions Park. Equipment is very old, other than the slide that was purchased by Lions Club a few years ago. Public Works will remove equipment this week.

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

AYES: (6) Trustees Stacey, Tieri, Kraus, Gardner, Diachenko and Weissbohn.
NAYS: (0) None.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


Janett McCawley
Village Clerk