

**MINUTES OF VILLAGE OF COBDEN  
ECLIPSE COMMITTEE**

**Monday, March 13, 2017**

The Village of Cobden Eclipse Committee met at the Village Hall on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Those present were Patrick Brumleve, Debbie Stroehlein, Edwin Shoemate, Doug Campbell, Austin Sellars, Jesse Spencer and Larry Hackethal.

The focus of the meeting was to discuss possible activities during the solar eclipse on August 21, 2017. The following topics were discussed.

- Union County schools will be closed August 21, 2017.
- The Village will host visitors in the Community Park.
- Patrick Brumleve will contact SIU to see if they can provide telescopes for use in the park.
- Patrick Brumleve will contact the Lions Club regarding sales of food.
- Cobden businesses will be encouraged to be open.
- Cobden Unit School will provide glasses for viewing the eclipse – the Village will help with the cost of the glasses.
- It is understood that Flamm Orchards plan to sell t-shirts.
- The Village will provide fans – Edwin Shoemate will speak to the school art teacher regarding a design.
- The possibility of having musical entertainment was discussed.
- Patrick Brumleve will discuss security with Police Chief Hale.
- Austin Sellars, Jesse Spencer and Larry Hackethal, members of the Cobden Volunteer Fire Department, expressed public safety and emergency response concerns.

The meeting ended at 6:10 p.m.

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Karen M. Winzenburger  
Village Clerk

**Note: Items in red are expenses to be approved by the Village Board.**