

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016  
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Call to Order**

Village President Paul Z. Tomazzoli called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**Roll Call**

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Jean A. Britt
Patrick Brumleve
Alma Gomez
Dennis Maze
Elvis Pearson
David Stewart

**Also Present**

Doug Campbell, Jon Meirndorf, Tyler Hess, William C. Eads, B. J. Hale, Jesse Adams, Larry Quertermous, Larry Sefren, Christy and Luke Howerton, Tom Ebenhoh

**Minutes of the April 18, 2016 Regular Meeting**

Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Gomez, to approve the Minutes of the April 18, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Visitors**

**Cobden Fire Department** – Larry Quertermous and Larry Sefren advised the Board of a scheduled First Responder Land Zone Class which will be held in the Cobden Community Park on June 6, 2016. (They then left the meeting.)

**Sole Sisters of the 618** – Christy Howerton, representing Sole Sisters of the 618, explained Sole Camp of the 618 which is a running program for girls in grades 4 to 8. They plan to use the Cobden Community Park as their meeting place and will provide waivers from those participating. Ms. Howerton and her son, Luke, then left the meeting.

**Doug Campbell** – Doug Campbell requested permission to replace the billboard sign on his property at 215 North Appleknocker Drive. Mr. Campbell was advised that since the original billboard had been removed, it would not be allowed to be replaced as set forth in the Village's Revised Code pertaining to signage.

Mr. Campbell asked the Board if a liquor license would be available for his property at 215 North Appleknocker Drive. The Board advised him that a Class D license is currently available but could not guarantee in advance that it would be granted to a buyer of his property. After this discussion, it was determined that the Liquor Advisory Board meeting scheduled for May 3, 2016 would not be necessary and would be cancelled. (Mr. Campbell then left the meeting.)

**Introduction of New Employees**

Tyler Hess and Tom Ebenhoh, who were recently hired as Village Employees, were introduced to the Board. (They left the meeting after their introduction.)

**Re-appointment of Village Officials**

Mayor Tomazzoli's re-appointment of the following officials was approved by consent vote as follows:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None

Lou A. Hartline – Village Treasurer  
B. J. Hale – Chief of Police  
Ron Flamm – Cemetery Board of Managers  
Board of Appeals – Kenneth Chilman  
Mary Anna Weakley  
Plan Commission – Ryan Stillman  
Gary Wiggs

**Building Permit**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to issue Building Permit No. 934 to Manuel Mejia Palacios for a modular home, No. 935 to Louis Britt for an addition to his garage and No. 936 to Dennis Maze for a garage. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Approval of Bills and Salaries**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, that presented bills in the amount of \$11,621.16 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Budget Report**

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending April 28, 2016, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Line Item and Other Transfers**

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to authorize line item and other transfers for fiscal year 2015-2016 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Letter from Union County Treasurer**

A letter from Union County Treasurer Darren Bailey explaining the Trustee Program for property taxes was presented. A letter thanking Treasurer Bailey for his efforts in establishing this program has been sent by Mayor Tomazzoli.

#### **2016 Motor Tax Maintenance Program**

Trustee Pearson and Superintendent Eads will soon survey the streets for maintenance in this year's MFT program.

#### **Flashing Warning Lights in School Zone**

Mayor Tomazzoli has received an inquiry from Cobden Unit School regarding the placement of flashing warning lights in the school zone. The Board gave its approval for Mayor Tomazzoli to discuss funding for these lights with the school.

#### **Resignation of Jesse Spencer**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to accept Jesse Spencer's resignation from the position of full-time police officer. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried. Jesse Spencer will continue to work as a part-time officer for the Village.

#### **Hiring Jesse Adams as Full-time Police Officer**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Gomez, to hire Jesse Adams as a full-time police officer at the rate of \$16.50 per hour and waive the requirement of a probationary period. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Resident's Request to Prohibit Dogs in the Parks**

The Board was not inclined to prohibit dogs in the park, but will purchase signs asking pet owners to clean up after their pets.

#### **Application for Use of Park -- Cobden Community and Business Association**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to approve the Application for Use of Park submitted by the Cobden Community and Business Association for the "Hello Neighbor" event on June 4, 2016. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 -- Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 -- None  
Absent: 0 -- None  
Motion declared carried.

#### **Memorial Day Program**

Trustee Stewart has set up the program for the Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 30. A schedule for volunteers will be on the Agenda for the May 16 Board meeting.

#### **Requests for Sewer Adjustments**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to authorize a sewer charge adjustment in the amount of \$50.40 to Karla Harvel and an adjustment in the amount of \$15.75 for Jennifer Cain. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Public Works Uniform Upgrade**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to accept Superintendent Eads' request to purchase uniforms for employees. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried. Uniform shirts will remain the same color, t-shirts will be maroon, and employees will be provided five pairs of blue jeans at \$25 per pair allowed.

**2016 DCEO/CDAP Grant Application**

A letter from Harold Sheffer of J. T. Blankinship, Inc. was presented which informed the Board that the deadline for 2016 DCEO/CDAP Grant Applications was August 16, 2016. The Village is interested in seeing what might be available.

**Union County Economic Development Corporation Request for Donation**

No action was taken on a request for a donation from Union County Economic Development Corporation.

**2016 Scholarship Awards**

The Scholarship Committee met prior to this Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to award the R. G. Williams Award to Josi Braden and the Village of Cobden – Millis Auction Service Award to Kalya Rhodes. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Ordinance No. 2016-938 – Zoning Application**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to pass Ordinance No. 2016-938 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 7-1-2 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 ENTITLED "REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF 1974" ENACTED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 1974. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Ordinance No. 2016-939 – Zoning Administrative Officer**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Maze, to pass Ordinance No. 2016-939 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1-3-1 (F) OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 ENTITLED "REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF 1974" ENACTED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 1974. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Revisions to Chapter 33 of Revised Code**

Proposed revisions to Chapter 33 of the Revised Code were reviewed and approved for submission to Illinois Codification Services.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

  
Karen M. Winzenburger  
Village Clerk