

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020
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:

	Patrick Brumleve	Dennis Maze
	Todd Dietterle	Austin Sellars
	Larry Hackethal	

Absent: Jeanne Britt

Also present: Jesse Spencer, Dennis Heavrin, Bill Abernathy

Minutes of August 17, 2020 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to approve the Minutes of the August 17, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Britt

Motion declared carried.

Visitors – Dennis Heavrin

Dennis Heavrin, former part-time police officer who resigned in 2013, was present to ask the Village's assistance in correcting his record with the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. When he resigned, incorrect information was given to the Standards Board by Chief B. J. Hale stating that Heavrin had been terminated rather than resigning from his employment with the Village. Mr. Heavrin was not aware of this error until he recently requested a copy of his records. His attempts to have this remedied have been unsuccessful. Mayor Tomazzoli and the Board assured Mr. Heavrin that the Village will make every attempt to correct the information. Mr. Heavrin then left the meeting.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, that presented bills in the amount of \$28,313.64 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Britt

Motion declared carried.

Employee Expense and Overtime Report

The Employee Expense and Overtime Report for the period ending August 31, 2020 was presented.

Budget Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Dietterle, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending August 31, 2020, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Britt

Motion declared carried.

Line Item Transfers

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve line item and other transfers as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1008 – AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE LOCAL CURE PROGRAM

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Dietterle, to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2020-1008 – An Ordinance Pertaining to the Local CURE Program. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

RESOLUTION 2-2020 – CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION

Motion was made by Dietterle, seconded by Maze, to adopt Resolution No. 2-2020 – Corporate Authorization Resolution which provides for authorized signatures for the Shop with a Cop fund. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Payroll Tax Deferral

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Dietterle, to opt out of the deferral of Social Security taxes. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Revenue/Disbursement Comparison for period ending August 31

A report of revenue/disbursements for the period ending August 31, 2020 compared to the same period in 2019 was presented.

Hiring – Brocklin Bittle

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to hire Brocklin Bittle as part-time seasonal employee to be paid minimum wage. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Resignation – Jeremy Smith – School Resource Officer

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to accept the resignation of School Resource Officer Jeremy Smith which was effective August 28, 2020. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Hiring of Police Officer

There were no qualified applications for the position of Police Officer. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to place an online advertisement for Police Officer for thirty days. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Appointment – Police Chief – Jesse Spencer

Village President Tomazzoli's appointment of Jesse Spencer as Police Chief was approved by consent vote as follows:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Sellars
 Nays: 0 – None
 Absent: 0 – None

Oath of Office – Police Chief Jesse Spencer

The Oath of Office of Chief of Police was administered to Jesse Spencer by Village Clerk Karen M. Winzenburger.

Police Department Goals – Public Relations

Village President Tomazzoli will draft a letter requesting input from the public regarding the public's expectations from our Police Department.

Police Department Facebook Page

Police Chief Spencer was asked to deactivate the Police Department Facebook page.

Police Department Cell Phone

Motion was made by Sellars, seconded by Dietterle, to provide a cell phone for the Police Department's use. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
 Nays: 0 – None
 Absent: 1 – Britt
 Motion declared carried.

Cemetery Board of Managers - Vacancy

There is a vacancy on the Cemetery Board of Managers.

Request for Sewer Adjustment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Dietterle, to issue a sewer credit of \$78.84 to Bill Berkheimer for a water leak outside his residence. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
 Nays: 0 – None
 Absent: 1 – Britt
 Motion declared carried.

Annexation of Property South of Village

There was discussion regarding the process of annexing properties south of the Village along Old Hwy 51. Mayor Tomazzoli was authorized to proceed with seeing if a majority of property owners are favorable to the annexation.

Fall Disc Golf Tournament

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Sellars, to approve revised expenses for a Fall Disc Golf Tournament. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
 Nays: 0 – None
 Absent: 1 – Britt
 Motion declared carried.

Trick or Treat

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, that no official Trick or Treat hours will be set in the Village due to the ongoing and unknown COVID-19 restrictions. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
 Nays: 0 – None
 Absent: 1 – Britt
 Motion declared carried.

NOTE: Residents and parents are not prohibited from observing the Halloween traditions.

Resignation – Lou Ann Hartline – Treasurer

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to accept the resignation of Lou Ann Hartline, Village Treasurer, effective October 1, 2020. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Cobden PTO Food Cabinet

The Village will promote the Cobden PTO Food Cabinet in mailings to the public.

Workplace Safety Police – COVID 19

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to adopt the Workplace Safety Policy – COVID 19 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Dietterle, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Britt
Motion declared carried.

Fire Department Grant – Fire Truck

The Fire Department was successful in applying for a grant to purchase a fire truck. Funds in excess of \$360,000 have been awarded.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Hackethal, seconded by Sellars, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.


Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk