

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022
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
Larry Hackethal
Dennis Maze
Austin Sellars

Also Present: Police Chief Jesse Spencer, Superintendent Chad Eads, Part-time Police Officer R. J. Bridges

Minutes of March 21, 2022 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Sellars, to approve the Minutes of the March 21, 2022, regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle
Motion declared carried.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Britt, that presented bills in the amount of \$26,206.74 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle
Motion declared carried.

Budget Report and Line Item Transfers

Motion was made by Sellars, seconded by Maze, to approve the Budget Report and Line Item Transfers for the period ending March 29, 2022, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle
Motion declared carried.

Proposed Revised Budget Draft

Motion was made by Hackethal, seconded by Maze, to approve the Proposed Revised Budget for the period ending April 30, 2022, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle
Motion declared carried.

Proposed Budget Draft

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Britt, to approve the Proposed Budget for the period ending April 30, 2023, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle
Motion declared carried.

NOTE: The Budget Hearing will be held April 18, 2022.

Fire Department Minutes

The Minutes of the January 16, 2022 and February 21, 2022 meetings of the Cobden Fire Department were presented.

Betty Ping Estate

The Estate of Betty Ping sets forth a donation of \$5,000 to the Cobden Cemetery.

Rules for Placing Items on Graves

The Village Clerk will contact other cemeteries to see what their policies are for placing items on grave sites.

Resolution No. 1 – 2022 – Peach Festival Parade

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Sellars, to adopt Resolution No. 1 – 2022 (Peach Festival Parade). Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Brumleve, Dietterle

Motion declared carried.

Resolution No. 1 – 2022 reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The Village of Cobden is sponsoring a parade in the Village of Cobden which event constitutes a public purpose;

WHEREAS, this parade will require the temporary closure of Old Hwy 51, a State Highway in the Village of Cobden from Locust Street to East and West Maple Streets;

WHEREAS, Section 4-408 of the Illinois Highway Code authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue permits to local authorities to temporarily close portions of State Highways for such public purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Cobden that permission to close off Old Hwy 51 from Locust Street to East and West Maple Streets as above designated, be requested of the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this closure shall occur during the approximate time period between 4:15 P.M. and 5:30 P.M. on Saturday, August 13, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this closure is for the public purpose of conducting the Cobden Peach Festival Parade.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that traffic from that closed portion of the highway shall be detoured over routes with an all-weather surface that can accept the anticipated traffic, which will be maintained to the satisfaction of the Department and which is conspicuously marked for the benefit of traffic diverted from the State Highway. The detour routes shall be as follows: Lingle Street to West Poplar Street to south on Centennial Street to Mountain Glen Road to South Appleknocker to Maple; Chestnut to Jefferson to East Ash or East Poplar Streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Cobden assumes full responsibility for the direction, protection, and regulation of the traffic during the time the detour is in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that police officers or authorized flaggers shall at the expense of the Village of Cobden be positioned at each end of the closed section and at other points (such as intersections) as may be necessary to assist in directing traffic through the detour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that police officers, flaggers and officials shall permit emergency vehicles in emergency situations to pass through the closed area as swiftly as is safe for all concerned.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all debris shall be removed by the Village of Cobden prior to reopening the State Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such signs, flags, barricades, etc., shall be used by the Village of Cobden as may be approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation. These items shall be provided by the Village of Cobden.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the closure and detour shall be marked according to the Illinois Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an occasional break shall be made in the procession so that traffic may pass through. In any event, adequate provisions will be made for traffic on intersecting highways pursuant to conditions noted above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Village of Cobden shall be responsible for any and all injuries to persons or damages to property, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Illinois Department of Transportation, its officers, employees and agents from any and all claims, lawsuits, actions, costs and fees (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) of every nature or description, arising out of, resulting from or connected with the exercise of authority granted by the Department which is the subject of this resolution. The obligation is binding upon the Village of Cobden regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by the act, omission or negligence of the Department or its officers, employees or agents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Cobden shall provide a comprehensive general liability policy or an additional named insured endorsement in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per person and \$2,000,000 aggregate which has the Illinois Department of Transportation, its officials, employees and agents as insureds and which protects them from all claims arising from the requested road closing. A copy of said policy or endorsement will be provided to the Department before the road is closed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation to serve as a formal request for the permission sought in this resolution and to operate as part of the conditions of said permission.

Playground Equipment in Downtown Park

There was discussion regarding feasible playground equipment for the downtown park. It was agreed to leave the existing swing set and purchase an item that would fit in the safety fall zone. Karen Winzenburger will ask the Cobden Civic Industrial Foundation for a contribution toward the purchase of the playground equipment.

Disc Golf Course

David Stewart presented a request to purchase rubber mats for the disc golf course tee areas. He was advised to proceed with the purchase.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Sellars, seconded by Hackethal, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.


Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk