

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024  
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
Andrew Brumleve
Patrick Brumleve
Larry Hackethal
Dennis Maze
Austin Sellars

**Also Present**

Police Chief Jesse Spencer

**Minutes of December 18, 2023 Regular Meeting**

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by A. Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the December 18, 2023, regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Approval of Bills and Salaries**

Motion was made by Sellars, seconded by P. Brumleve, that presented bills in the amount of \$66,157.50 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Village Clerk's Monthly Report**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to approve the Village Clerk's Report for the period ending November 30, 2023. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Village Treasurer's Monthly Report**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve the Village Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2023. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 0 – None  
Motion declared carried.

**Letter of Resignation – Jesse Spencer**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to accept the letter of resignation submitted by Jesse Spencer. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried. Spencer's last day of work will be January 19, 2024. He has accepted employment elsewhere.

A consensus vote was taken to approve hiring Tim Smith to serve as Police Chief at a minimum of 30 hours per week at the rate of \$32.00 per hour. The consensus vote was 5-1 with an official vote scheduled for the January 16, 2024 meeting.

**Resolution No. 1-2024 – Community Development Block Grant**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Sellars, to pass Resolution No. 1-2024 Council Resolution of Support for a Community Development Block Grant. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried. Resolution No. 1-2024 reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Village of Cobden is applying to the State of Illinois for a Community Development Block Grant, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an application be made and agreements entered into with the State of Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1) that the Village of Cobden apply for a grant under the terms and conditions of the State of Illinois and shall enter into and agree to the understandings and assurances contained in said application.

2) that the Village President and Village Clerk on behalf of the Village execute such documents and all other documents necessary for the carrying out of said application.

3) that the Village President and Village Clerk are authorized to provide such additional information as may be required to accomplish the obtaining of such grant.

**Quotation – Tank Mixer for Bell Hill Standpipe**

Motion was made by Hackethal, seconded by Maze, to accept the quotation submitted by Municipal Equipment Company for a tank mixer for the Bell Hill standpipe in the amount of \$13,596.00. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, A. Brumleve, P. Brumleve, Hackethal, Maze, Sellars

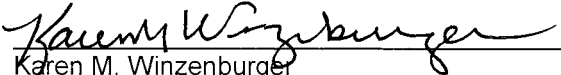
Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

**Adjournment**

Motion was made by P. Brumleve, seconded by Maze, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

  
 Karen M. Winzenburger  
 Village Clerk