

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2014
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Call to Order

Village Clerk Karen M. Winzenburger called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Jean A. Britt
Patrick Brumleve
Alma Gomez
Dennis Maze
David Stewart
Frances Swedlund

Also Present

Larry E. Nance, Luis Rossi

Appointment of Temporary Chairman

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Gomez, to appoint Patrick Brumleve to serve as Temporary Chairman. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the July 21, 2014 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the July 21, 2014 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the July 25, 2014 Special Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the July 25, 2014 special meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of July 25, 2014 Closed Session

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Brumleve, to review the Minutes of the July 25, 2014 Closed Session at the October 20, 2014 meeting. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Visitors

Luis Rossi attended the meeting to complain about the business, Bob's Burger Shack, which is operated by Robert Finster and is located next to Mr. Rossi's business on North Front Street. There have been problems with customers of Bob's Burger Shack parking on Rossi's property. Mr. Rossi also said Mr. Finster is harassing the customers at Rossi's. Mr. Rossi asked if there are restrictions on erecting a fence and was advised there are no restrictions with the exception of ensuring there are no traffic visibility issues. Mr. Rossi left the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Plan Commission Resignation

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Britt, to accept Paul Frank's resignation from the Cobden Plan Commission. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Swedlund, that presented bills in the amount of \$21,754.58 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Swedlund, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending July 30, 2014 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Line Item and Other Transfers

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

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

Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for the period ending July 30, 2014 was presented.

Annual Financial Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Swedlund to accept the FY 2014 Annual Financial Report as prepared by Kemper CPA group and submitted to the Office of the Comptroller. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Communication with Audit Committee Letter

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Swedlund, to accept the communication with audit committee letter as prepared by Kemper CPA Group, LLP. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Audit Management Letter

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Maze, to accept the audit management letter as prepared by Kemper CPA Group, LLP. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Engagement Letter – Kemper CPA Group, LLP

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Maze, to engage the services of Kemper CPA Group, LLP for fiscal year ending April 30, 2015. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Purchase of Salt

Superintendent Nance advised the Board that the price of salt for snow/ice removal will increase substantially this year.

Washing of Streets for Peach Festival Parade

It was noted that a business on North Front Street had water in their building and other businesses had rocks strike their windows due to the Fire Department washing the streets prior to the Peach Festival parade. It was noted that Mayor Tomazzoli spoke to the Fire Department members regarding the situation.

Minutes of Cobden Fire Department Meetings

The Minutes of the May 15, 2014 and June 16, 2014 meetings of the Cobden Fire Department were presented.

Verizon Wireless Agreement

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Stewart, to enter into a Master Price Agreement with Verizon Wireless for service for the Police Department when the Lawman Program is initiated. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Application for Use of Park – Club Migrante Cheran

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve an application for use of the Cobden Community Park on September 13 and 14, 2014 submitted by Club Migrante Cheran for the annual Purhepecha Festival pending all requirements in the application are met. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Park Improvement Project

Trustee Stewart discussed the purchase of equipment for the park improvement project. He will present a proposal indicating the playground equipment he is considering at the August 18, 2014 meeting.

Peach Festival Parade

The Board noted the Peach Festival parade was well-attended. There was discussion about the litter left behind after the Peach Festival and the parade.

Utility Rates

The Village Clerk and Village Superintendent met with a representative from Illinois Rural Water Association who presented some water rate scenarios for the Village. The Village Clerk will prepare information for the next meeting which will indicate anticipated revenue at different rate levels.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Swedlund, seconded by Maze, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger, Village Clerk