

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2012
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Call to Order

Village President Molly Beckley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Patrick Brumleve
Alan Eddington
Alma Gomez
Dennis Maze
David Stewart
Frances Swedlund

Also Present

Village Attorney Jill Womick- Bloodworth, Larry E. Nance, Stephen Thayer (SIMEC), Doug Campbell

Minutes of the July 16, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the July 16, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the July 23, 2012 Special Meeting

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the July 23, 2012 special meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the May 21, 2007 Closed Session

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, that the Minutes of the May 21, 2007 Closed Session remain sealed to be reviewed in six months. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the June 20, 2011 Closed Session

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to review the Minutes of the June 20, 2011 Closed Session. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to approve the Minutes of the June 20, 2011 Closed Session as read aloud by the Village Clerk. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Building Permits

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Maze, to issue Building Permit No. 890 to E. Blayne Smith for a portable storage building. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Ordinance No. 867 – Freedom of Information Act

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to pass Ordinance No. 867 – AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN'S POLICY AND PROCEDURES WHICH SET FORTH PROVISIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE ILLINOIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity – Local Officials Day

Village officials are invited to attend the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity – Local Officials and Community Partners Day at the DuQuoin State Fairgrounds on August 25.

Community Energy Aggregation Program – SIMEC

Stephen Thayer of SIMEC reviewed information that the Board has received at previous meetings regarding community energy aggregation. Mayor Beckley and Trustee Eddington recently attended an informational meeting about the program and potential energy cost savings for residents of the community.

Ordinance No. 868 – Referendum

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded Eddington, to adopt Ordinance No. 868 – ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, THE QUESTION WHETHER THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN SHOULD HAVE THE AUTHORITY UNDER 20 ILCS 3855/1-92 TO ARRANGE FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY FOR ITS RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL COMMERCIAL RETAIL CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE NOT OPTED OUT OF SUCH PROGRAM. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Ordinance No. 869 – Contract with SIMEC

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Gomez, to adopt Ordinance No. 869 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH SIMEC D/B/A SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE TO SERVE AS THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN'S EXCLUSIVE CONSULTANT FOR ITS ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND FOR ENGAGEMENT OF THE LOWEST COST ELECTRIC WHOLESALE SUPPLIER. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Brumleve, Eddington, 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 Eddington, that presented bills in the amount of \$13,871.20 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending July 31, 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Brumleve, Eddington, Gomez, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
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 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Brumleve, Eddington, 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 31, 2012 was presented.

Employee Expense and Overtime Comparison

The comparison of expenses for employee compensation and overtime for the period ending July 31, 2012 was presented.

Request to Vacate Alley – First Baptist Church of Cobden

The Board was in agreement to invite representatives of the First Baptist Church to attend the next Village Board meeting to continue the consideration of their request to vacate the alley connection South Walker Street and South Appleknocker Drive.

Streets and Sidewalks – Visitor – Doug Campbell

Doug Campbell appeared before the Board to ask the Village to address issues of street and sidewalk repairs at his properties in the Village. He feels the curb and gutter in front of Palace Pizzeria needs to be cleaned out and asphalted; the sidewalk needs to be repaired or replaced at Sidecars following recent utility work; and the exit onto West Ash Street from his driveway between his properties on South Appleknocker Drive has a large dip that needs to be addressed. Superintendent Nance was directed to look at these areas and report to the Board at the next meeting.

Fire Department Purchase of Radios

The Fire Chief will be asked to submit a written request with cost estimates for the upgraded radios for the fire department vehicles.

Monthly Police Report

The Police Report for July 2012 was presented.

Application for Use of Park – Southern Counties Autos Unlimited

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Eddington, to approve the use of the downtown park for the Southern Counties Autos Unlimited Car Show on October 6, 2012 pending approval by IML/RMA. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Tenant User Liability Insurance Program (TULIP) – IML/RMA

Trustee Eddington presented information about tenant user liability coverage for events held on Village property. Illinois Municipal League offers a Tenant User Liability Insurance Program through the Risk Management Association. Concerns were voiced about reserving the park facilities for planned events including family birthday parties and other gatherings. The Village Clerk will work on developing a policy for the Board to review.

Alto Pass Water District Interconnect Project

Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment #5

The Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment #5 for the period of May 26, 2012 through July 28, 2012 was presented. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to approve the Pay Estimate in the amount of \$60,291.51 (APWD share \$56,212.28). Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Engineering Invoice

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve Engineering Invoice No. 17655 in the amount of \$7,607.32 (APWD share \$6,857.61). Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk