

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2013
AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

Call to Order

Village President Paul Z. Tomazzoli called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present:

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

Absent: David Stewart

Also Present:

Larry E. Nance, B. J. Hale, Ron Flamm, Chad Eads

Minutes of the November 18, 2013 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the November 18, 2013 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Building Permit

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to issue Building Permit No. 908 to Chris Duckworth for a storage building. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

IMLRMA – Equipment Breakdown Coverage

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, to authorize Superintendent Nance to obtain equipment breakdown coverage through IMLRMA if he discovers that it would be beneficial to the Village. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, that presented bills in the amount of \$75,189.65 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Budget Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending November 26, 2013 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Line Item and Other Transfers

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

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for the period ending November 26, 2013 was presented.

Cobden Fire Department – Minutes

The Minutes of the October 18, 2013 meeting of the Cobden Fire Department were presented.

Hiring Part-Time Police Officer

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to hire Josh Schildknecht as part-time police officer at the current part-time pay rate of \$13.40 per hour. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Repair to Police Vehicle

Motion was made by Brumleve, second by Swedlund, to authorize repairs in the amount of approximately \$1,600 to the Ford Expedition to be performed by Pro-1 Auto Body. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Patronizing Cobden Businesses

Board members expressed their concern that vehicle repairs were being done by businesses outside of the Village. It was the Board's consensus that Village businesses should be used whenever possible.

Elaine R. Rude Estate

The Village has been advised that we will receive a charitable gift of \$5,000 from the estate of Elaine R. Rude.

Water/Sewer Rate Survey

A copy of the Water/Sewer Rate Survey conducted by the City of Carbondale was presented. The Village Clerk was directed to prepare studies of our water and gas rates for the Board's review.

IMGA Gas Training

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to authorize registering two employees for Gas Operator Qualification Training in Pinckneyville on December 12, 2013, January 30, 2014 and March 13, 2014. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Stewart
Motion declared carried.

Employee Year- End Bonus

The subject of employee year-end bonuses was revisited. It was agreed that the granting of bonuses would be addressed in the future.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk