

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015
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:

Jean A. Britt
Patrick Brumleve
Alma Gomez
Dennis Maze
Elvis Pearson
David Stewart

Also Present

B. J. Hale, Jesse Adams, Jon Meirndorf, Larry E. Nance, Jeannie Kinsey, Doug Campbell

Minutes of the May 18, 2015 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the May 18, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Electric Aggregation Price to Compare

Correspondence from Reg Ankrom, President of SIMEC, indicates that the price of the Village's aggregation rate of 5.79 cents per kilowatt hour reflects a 5.7 percent savings when compared to Ameren's rate of 6.14 cents per kilowatt hour.

Solicitor's Permit – Benjamin Euhus

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to issue a solicitor's permit to Benjamin Euhus. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.
In the future, permits may be issued at the Village President's discretion.

Dollar General – Extension of Date to begin Construction

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Pearson, to extend the date for construction to begin on the Dollar General Store to June 30, 2015 per the request of Westmore Group due to delays beyond their control. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Dollar General – Approval of Business Sign

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Britt, to approve the proposal to erect a business sign as submitted by Dollar General. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, that presented bills in the amount of \$13,238.13 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending May 28, 2015, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Line Item and Other Transfers

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

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

Street Maintenance

Trustee Pearson presented a map of proposed street maintenance for 2015.

Union County Animal Control Program

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to renew the intergovernmental agreement relating to funding of the Union County animal control program. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.
The Village's contribution is \$2,410.42.

Union County Drug Task Force

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to renew the intergovernmental agreement relating to funding of the Union County Drug Task Force. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None
Motion declared carried.
The Village's contribution is \$4,814.91.

Peach Festival Parade

The Board was in agreement that the theme for the 2015 Peach Festival Parade will be "Appleknocker Pride" with the 2015 Cobden High School baseball team as the parade marshal.

Memorial Day Collections

Donations collected by volunteers at the Cobden Cemetery during Memorial Day weekend totaled \$971. An attempt will be made next year to have additional volunteers to help with collections and to welcome and assist visitors to the cemetery.

Wastewater Treatment Plant – Bid Opening

The bid opening for the wastewater treatment plant project is scheduled for June 12, 2015 at the Village Hall. The pre-bid meeting will be June 4, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall.

Request for Sewer Adjustment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to adjust the sewer bill of Shelba Reed for a leak outside of her residence. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Pearson, Stewart
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None
Motion declared carried. The amount to be credited is \$47.47.

Public Works Employee Uniform Upgrade

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to authorize Superintendent Nance to proceed with upgrades to employee uniforms at an estimated cost of \$1,500. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Public Works Employee Work Schedule

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to return to a five-day work schedule for public works employees effective July 2, 2015. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Note: A time clock will be installed at the Village Hall for the public works employees.

There was discussion regarding the dissatisfaction of some employees regarding their work situation. Mayor Tomazzoli will meet with Superintendent Nance and the employees June 3 at 5:30 p.m. to address the situation.

Request for Sand Volleyball Court

Jeannie Kinsey approached the Board to request consideration of creating a sand volleyball court for the community. The Village Clerk was asked to determine if the IDNR grant conditions for the Community Park would allow a court in the Community Park. It was suggested that a grass court be

used as a trial court to see if there is an interest in outdoor volleyball. Costs for equipment will be explored.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk