

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 19, 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	David Stewart
Alan Eddington	Frances Swedlund
Dennis Maze	

Absent: Alma Gomez

Also Present

Larry E. Nance, Noemi Cruz, Estanislao Tomas, Christina Hileman, Taylor Hileman, Jeff Nance, Robert Finster, Ron Flamm

Minutes of the March 5, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Maze, to approve the Minutes of the March 5, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Visitors

P'urhépecha Event

Noemi Cruz and Estanislao Tomas submitted a request to reserve the Community Park on Saturday, September 15 for the annual P'urhépecha Event. The request was approved and the proper application for use of the park will be submitted along with a certificate of insurance prior to the event. Mrs. Cruz and Mr. Tomas then left the meeting.

Great American Bake Sale

Christina Hileman presented information concerning participation in the Great American Bake Sale on Saturday, April 21 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The sale will be held at the Peoples' Market site on South Front Street. The Great American Bake Sale is a program of Share Our Strength, a national organization working to end childhood hunger in the United States.

Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee met prior to this Village Board meeting. As in the past, the scholarship contribution of the Village will be \$300 with Dale Millis Auction Service donating the additional \$700 for the two \$500 scholarship awards. The deadline for submitting the applications is 5:00 p.m., April 13, 2012. The Scholarship Committee will meet April 16 at 6:00 p.m. to review the applications in order to make a recommendation to the Village Board.

Electronics Recycling

Correspondence from Mike Jobe regarding recycling electronics was presented. The Board was in agreement to check other possibilities for providing an electronics recycling program this year.

Wisper ISP, Inc. – Elevated Structure Agreement

Wisper ISP, Inc. has expressed interest in erecting and operating RF transmission antennas and connection supply devices on the water tower. An Elevated Structure Agreement was presented and will be submitted to the Village Attorney for review. The Board was in agreement that an exchange of service would be preferable compensation rather than a monthly lease fee.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, that presented bills in the amount of \$33,935.86 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending March 14, 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Line Item and Other Transfers

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

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

Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for the period ending March 14, 2012 was presented.

Dental Insurance Renewal

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Swedlund, to renew employee dental insurance coverage with Delta Dental. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Village Clerk's Monthly Report

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Maze, to approve the Village Clerk's Report for February 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Village Treasurer's Monthly Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Village Treasurer's Report for February 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Ordinance No. 861- Designated Depositories

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to pass and adopt ORDINANCE NO. 861- AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 1-2-95(F) OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 ENTITLED "REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF 1974" ENACTED ON THE 15TH DAY OF JULY, 1974. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried. This ordinance names US Bank, US Bank Illinois Funds, First Southern Bank and Farmers State Bank as designated places for depositing Village funds.

Authorized Signators for Certificates of Deposit

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to designate Village President Molly Beckley and Village Treasurer Lou Ann Hartline as authorized signators for certificates of deposit. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried.

Spring Clean Up Day – May 9

Curbside Clean Up Day is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

Litter Pick Up Day

The Spring Litter Pick Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 14, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Community Park. The Village will provide trash bags, gloves and a truck for disposal of the trash bags.

Emergency Warning Siren

The emergency warning siren location has been determined. The siren will be erected near the northwest edge of the Fire Department building. As the siren will be activated by radio, it was determined that radios need to be purchased for the Police Department and for the Village Superintendent. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to add the cost of purchasing two radios to the original grant for the emergency warning system. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried.

Community Yard Sale

The Spring Community Yard Sale will be Saturday, May 5, 2012.

St. Joseph Church – Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph Church will be conducting the Stations of the Cross on March 31. The procession will begin in Alto Pass at 2:00 p.m. and end at St. Joseph Church. The route taken will be Skyline Drive, Baker Hill Road, West Poplar Street and North Centennial Street to the church. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to grant permission for use of the streets as designated. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried. The Police Department will be made aware of the procession.

Probationary Period Ended – William C. Eads

Village Superintendent Larry Nance informed the Board that the probationary period for Assistant Village Superintendent William C. Eads ended in January. Superintendent Nance recommends retaining Eads as the Assistant Superintendent and granting a fifty cent per hour increase in wages. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to retain William C. Eads as Assistant Village Superintendent with a pay increase of fifty cents per hour retroactive to the end of the probationary period in January. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried.

Lick Creek Water District Agreement Renewal

The agreement between the Village and Lick Creek Water District is due for renewal. The Village Clerk will contact the District to set up a meeting to discuss terms of renewal.

Uniform Expenses

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to authorize public works employees to each purchase four pairs of jeans not to exceed \$20 per pair. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried.

Gas Public Awareness Program

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to participate in the 2012 Gas Public Awareness Collaborative Program with Paradigm at the cost of \$0.65 per mailing as recommended by Superintendent Larry Nance. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk