

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 20, 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:

Patrick Brumleve	Dennis Maze
Alan Eddington	David Stewart
Alma Gomez	Frances Swedlund
(arriving 7:05 p.m.)	

Also Present:

Larry Nance, Lisa Britt, Lily Britt, Wally Britt, Ray Hogan, Lou Ann and Jay Elwell, Ryan Stillman, Wes Wilkins, B. J. Hale, Jon Meirndorf, Daric Smith, Ryan Williams

Minutes of the May 6, 2013 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the May 6, 2013 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Minutes of the May 6, 2013 Closed Session

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Britt, to review the Minutes of the May 6, 2013 Closed Session. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve the Minutes of the May 6, 2013 Closed Session as read by the Village Clerk. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Visitors

Wally and Lisa Britt

Wally and Lisa Britt, operators of Fuzzy's Tavern, requested the Board's consideration of allowing video gaming in the Village. The Village Clerk was directed to obtain sample ordinances and other information for the Board's consideration to be discussed at the June 3, 2013 meeting.

Lou Ann and Jay Elwell

Lou Ann and Jay Elwell, owners of Southpass Beads, addressed the Board regarding parking at their business at the intersection of East Ash and Jefferson Streets. A "no parking from here to corner" sign will be erected to aid in the parking situation. The Elwells will also consider purchasing a sign to place in the allowed parking area during their hours of business.

Police Department K-9 Officer

Ryan Williams, certified trainer for K-9 officers, was present to answer any questions the Board may have regarding obtaining a K-9 unit for the Village. The Board is receptive to this addition to the department and asked for an updated written proposal to be presented at the June 3, 2013 meeting so a decision can be reached in the immediate future.

Resignation Village Attorney Jill Womick-Bloodworth

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to accept Jill Womick-Bloodworth's resignation from the position of Village Attorney. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Closed Session – Appointment of Village Attorney

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Britt, to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment of Village Attorney. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Britt, Gomez, Maze, Stewart
Nays: 2 – Brumleve, Swedlund
Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried and the Board entered closed session at 7:35 p.m.

Return to Regular Session

The Board returned to regular session at 8:05 p.m. There was no action taken regarding the closed session.

Plan Commission Appointments

Ryan Stillman

Village President Tomazzoli's appointment of Ryan Stillman to the Plan Commission was approved by consent vote as follows:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None

Gary Wiggs

Village President Tomazzoli's appointment of Gary Wiggs to the Plan Commission was approved by consent vote as follows:

Ayes: 6 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 0 – None

Resignation Board of Appeals – Rich Cooper

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to accept Rich Cooper's resignation from the Board of Appeals. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Building Permits

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to issue Building Permit No. 898 to Ray Hogan for a deck and awning at 111 North Appleknocker Drive. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Newly Elected Officials Workshop

Mayor Tomazzoli and Trustee Britt plan to attend the Newly Elected Officials Workshop sponsored by the Illinois Municipal League.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, that presented bills in the amount of \$23,098.39 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 Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending May 15, 2013 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.

Village Clerk's Monthly Report

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, to approve the Village Clerk's Report for April 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.

Village Treasurer's Monthly Report

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve the Village Treasurer's Report for April 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.

Village Treasurer’s Annual Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Britt, to approve the Village Treasurer’s Annual Report for 2012-13 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.

Village Property and Liability Insurance

The Clerk was directed to research the benefits of insurance coverage through the Illinois Municipal League as opposed to other carriers.

Authorized Signators for Certificates of Deposit

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

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

Fire Department – Testing of Pumps

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to authorize the Fire Department to have the pumpers tested at a cost of approximately \$1,000. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Policies for Use of Park

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to amend the Park Use Policies to state that alcohol is not permitted in municipal parks. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Replacement of Tree

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Britt, to accept Jack Martell and Bill Berkheimer’s offer to assist the Village in replacing the Yellow Wood tree on South Front Street. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Park Improvements Proposal

Park Chairman Stewart presented a proposal for tree replacement and for playground equipment upgrades for both parks. He was encouraged to pursue the project. The Village Clerk will check IDRN grant requirements and insurance liability requirements. Donations for the purchase of trees and toward playground equipment will be solicited.

Memorial Day Volunteer Schedule

Trustees volunteered to accept donations at the cemetery and to donate items for the reception following the Memorial Day service.

Sewer Treatment Plant Improvements

Mayor Tomazzoli, Trustee Maze and Superintendent Nance toured the wastewater treatment in DeSoto which will be similar to the proposed plant for Cobden. Mayor Tomazzoli also discussed funding with Southern Five Regional Planning District at a public hearing last week.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Britt, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk