

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 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:

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

Absent: Frances Swedlund

Also Present:

Larry E. Nance, Daric Smith

Minutes of the September 16, 2013 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the September 16, 2013 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Response from IML/RMA – Likkit's Request for Electricity for Sign

The response from IML/RMA regarding Likkit's request for an electrical hook up for a sign was that the Village could not completely remove itself from a potential claim if an electric hookup for a sign for Likkit's was on Village property. The Board was in agreement to deny Mr. Bovee's request.

Amendment to Wisper Elevated Structure Agreement

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to approve an amendment to the Wisper Elevated Structure Agreement stating that Wisper ISP will pay the Village \$20.00 per month to help with the electrical costs for the use of the Cobden North Water Tower that is mentioned in the lease. This will be due on the 1st of each month and will commence on November 1, 2013. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Tax Levy Public Hearing

The public hearing for public input regarding the proposed tax levy began at 7:03 p.m. No members of the public were present. The hearing ended at 7:04 p.m.

Ordinance No. 889 – Tax Levy

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 889 – AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2013 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2014. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, that presented bills in the amount of \$49,392.03 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending October 3, 2013 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Line Item and Other Transfers

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

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

Budget Status Report

The Budget Status Report for the period ending October 7, 2013 was presented.

Employee Expense and Overtime Report

The Employee Expense and Overtime Report for the period ending September 30, 2013 was presented to the Board.

2013 Audit Management Letter

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to accept the Audit Management letter as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

2013 Audit Management Representation Letter

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to accept the Audit Management Representation letter as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

2013 Annual Financial Report (Audit Report)

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve the 2013 Annual Financial Report as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Cobden Police Department – Monthly Report

The Monthly Report of the Cobden Police Department for September 2013 was presented.

Request for Use of Village Property for Concealed Carry Firearms Course

A request from Danny Hartline to use the Village Hall and the Village's firing range to teach a Concealed Carry Firearms Course was received. The Board was in agreement that due to liability issues this would not be in the best interests of the Village and denied his request.

Police Personnel

Chief Hale was authorized to hire an additional part-time officer and appoint additional auxiliary officers pending Board approval as individuals are hired or appointed.

Illinois Department of Public Health – Illinois Fluoridation Act

The Village's water system has been recognized and commended by the Illinois Department of Public Health for achieving the highest standard of compliance for at least five consecutive years in accordance with the Illinois Fluoridation Act.0

Sewer Bill Adjustment – Jose and Angie Gomez

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve credit of \$94.66 to Jose and Angie Gomez as a sewer adjustment due to a water leak. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Request to Waive Sewer Fee

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to waive sewer fees to Rose Bailey on her vacant lot due to the fact that there is no connection to the sewer system on that property with the fee waiver effective with current billing and not retro-active. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Appointment of Temporary Chairman for October 21, 2013 Meeting

Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Maze, to appoint Patrick Brumleve to serve as Temporary Chairman for the October 21, 2013 meeting due to the anticipated absence of Mayor Tomazzoli. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Gomez, Maze, Stewart

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Swedlund

Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk