

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 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
Dennis Maze
Elvis Pearson
David Stewart

Absent: Alma Gomez

**Also Present**

Larry E. Nance, Amanda Tinsley, Jon Meirndorf

**Minutes of the September 8, 2015 Regular Meeting**

Motion was made by Stewart, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the September 8, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Janitor for the Village Hall**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to hire Carmela Martinez to clean the Village Hall weekly at the rate of \$13.00 per hour. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Ordinance No. 929 – Liquor Classifications – Limits**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to pass Ordinance No. 929 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 21-2-6 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 ENTITLED “REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF 1974” ENACTED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 1974. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Dollar General Grand Opening**

Dollar General opened September 15 and a grand opening is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, 2015.

**Sale of Surplus Property**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Brumleve, to direct the Village Clerk to prepare an ordinance for the sale of eight vehicles and a sewer jetter which are declared surplus property. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Approval of Bills and Salaries**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, that presented bills in the amount of \$33,994.10 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Budget Report**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Maze, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending September 17, 2015, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Village Clerk's Report**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Village Clerk's Report for the period ending August 31, 2015, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Village Treasurer's Report**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to approve the Village Treasurer's Report for the period ending August 31, 2015, as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Investment Recommendations**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to approve the following investment recommendations. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

1. Close the Public Safety Depreciation account which has a balance of \$378.43. The balance will be deposited in the Fire Department checking account.
2. Close the Sewer Short-lived Asset account. Purchase a \$10,000 certificate of deposit at Farmers State Bank and open a savings account using the remaining balance.
3. Close the Sewer Debt Service account. Purchase a \$7,000 certificate of deposit at Farmers State Bank and open a savings account using the remaining balance.
4. Purchase 3 certificates of deposit in the amount of \$15,000 each for varying maturity dates using funds from the water checking account.

**Repair for Footbridge on South Front Street**

Superintendent Nance continues to seek another proposal for replacing the footbridge on South Front Street.

**Police Chief Hale – Sick Leave**

Mayor Tomazzoli advised the Board that Chief Hale has received a pancreas transplant and will be on sick leave until further notice.

**Resignation Auxiliary Police Department**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Stewart, to accept Terrence Walsh's resignation from the Auxiliary Police Department. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Appointment Auxiliary Police Department**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve Chief Hale's appointment of Greg Dillow to the Auxiliary Police Department. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Shop-with-a-Cop Program Checking Account**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to open a checking account at US Bank for the Shop-with-a Cop Program. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Application for Use of Park – Southern Counties Autos Unlimited**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to approve an application for use of the downtown park submitted by Southern Counties Autos Unlimited for the Ciderday Night Cruise on October 3, 2015. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Purchase of Christmas Banners**

The Village Clerk advised the Board that community members have purchased 23 Christmas banners. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to purchase an additional banner. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Ordinance No. 928 – Grave Opening Fees**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to Ordinance No. 928 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 11-1-13 (H) AND SECTION 11-1-13 (I) OF ORDINANCE NO. 1 ENTITLED “REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF 1974” ENACTED ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 1974. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Sewer Improvement Project**

**Pay Estimate No. 1**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Pearson, to approve Contractor Pay Estimate #1 submitted by Midwest Petroleum & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$37,800. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Engineering Invoice**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve payment of \$9,811.83 to J. T. Blankinship, Inc. for engineering services. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Legal Fees**

Motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Brumleve, to approve payment in the amount of \$464.38 to Gilbert, Huffman, Prosser, Hewson & Barke, Ltd. for fees in connection with the USDA funding application. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**Purchase of Winter Uniform Shirts and Jackets**

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to authorize the purchase of winter uniform shirts and jackets. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Britt, Brumleve, Maze, Pearson, Stewart  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 1 – Gomez  
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 7:20 p.m.

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Karen M. Winzenburger  
Village Clerk