

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, JULY 2, 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
Alan Eddington
Dennis Maze
David Stewart
Frances Swedlund

Absent: Alma Gomez

Also Present

Larry E. Nance, Darren Bailey, Doug and Nancy Campbell

Minutes of the June 18, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the June 18, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez
Abstain: 1 – Swedlund
Motion declared carried.

Building Permits

A Building Permit Application submitted by Osman Rodriguez for an addition to a mobile home was presented to the Board. The application was not approved by Zoning Administrative Officer Ron Flamm because a Special Use Permit is required for additions to mobile homes. Mr. Rodriguez was advised of this requirement by Flamm.

Minutes of Liquor Advisory Board Meeting

The Minutes of the June 19, 2012 Liquor Advisory Board meeting were presented.

Ordinance No. 866 – Liquor License Classifications - Limits

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, to pass ORDINANCE NO. 866 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 21-2-6 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.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Maze, that presented bills in the amount of \$43,123.86 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 Eddington, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending June 27, 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 Stewart, 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 June 27, 2012 was presented.

Change in Order of Agenda

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to change the order of the Agenda by discussing Electricity Aggregation at this point of the meeting. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Electricity Aggregation

Mayor Beckley, Trustee Eddington, and Union County Treasurer Darren Bailey shared information regarding the process of electricity aggregation. The first step in providing the option for lower cost energy for residents is to place an item on the November ballot to allow SIMEC to begin negotiations for the lower priced energy. Additional information will be forthcoming. Mr. Bailey left the meeting.

Employee Wages for 2012-13

Closed Session – Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to enter closed session for the discussion of employee wages for 2012-13. Upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Brumleve, Eddington, Maze, Stewart, Swedlund
Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Gomez,
Motion declared carried and the Board entered closed session at 7:27 p.m.

Return to Regular Session – The Board returned to regular session at 8:03 p.m. Doug and Nancy Campbell returned to the meeting room.

Employee Wages – Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, that all full-time employees will receive a fifty cent per hour increase in pay, part-time Police Officer Tim Smith will receive a fifty cent per hour increase in pay, Santiago Tomas will receive a twenty-five cent per hour pay raise and Brenda Childers will receive an increase of one dollar per day – all pay increases will be retro-active to May 1, 2012. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Handrail Repair/Replacement

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to authorize the repair of the step and handrail on South Appleknocker Drive and to modify all handrails by removing the curved section for an estimated five hundred dollar expenditure. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Vacating Alley per Request of First Baptist Church

Mayor Beckley is working with Village Attorney Jill Womick-Bloodworth regarding the legal procedure for vacating the alley as requested by First Baptist Church.

Minutes of Cobden Volunteer Fire Department

The Minutes of the May 21 and June 18, 2012 meetings of the Fire Department were presented.

Shawnee Development Council – LIHEAP Vendor Agreement

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Maze, to enter into the DCEO Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program 2013 Non-Regulated Vendor Agreement. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Engineering Invoice – DECO Design Grant

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to approve payment to J. T. Blankinship, Inc. in the amount of \$24,000 in reference to the Wastewater Treatment Design Grant. 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 Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.