

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 4, 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

Absent: Alma Gomez
David Stewart
Frances Swedlund

Also Present

Village Attorney Jill Womick-Bloodworth, Larry E. Nance

Minutes of the May 21, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Stewart, to approve the Minutes of the May 21, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Visitors

First Baptist Church – Pastor Ed Falgout and Danny Hartline requested the Board's consideration of closing or vacating the alley which connects South Walker Street and South Appleknocker Drive and divides their property (between their existing building and their proposed building). The church feels it is a safety issue for pedestrians and for traffic exiting onto South Walker Street. The possibility of a future overhead walkway connecting the church's facilities was also discussed. Prior to constructing a walkway, issues regarding a gas main in the alley would need to be addressed. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to begin the process of vacating the alley. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion declared carried. (Pastor Falgout stated First Baptist Church would cover costs necessary for vacating the alley.)

Pastor Falgout and Mr. Hartline left the meeting.

Tabitha Tripp – provided information regarding the process of "fracking" and the effect it has on the environment. Ms. Tripp's concern was that oil companies may approach the Village for a water supply. Other visitors who are also concerned with the fracking process commented. The Board thanked her for her presentation and for raising the Board's awareness of the process. Ms. Tripp, Jamie and John Longmire, Carol Hanson and Corina Lang then left the meeting.

Nancy and Doug Campbell were present to request the issuance of a restaurant liquor license for Sidecars for Nancy Campbell. Mayor Beckley advised Mr. and Mrs. Campbell that she will schedule a meeting of the Liquor Advisory Board in the coming week to consider Mrs. Campbell's request.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, that presented bills in the amount of \$138,015.41 and regular salaries be approved for payment. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Report

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Gomez, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending May 30, 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Budget Status Report

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Status Report for the period ending May 30, 2012 as presented. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Employee Wages for 2012-13

Employee evaluations have been completed and were given to Board members. Consideration of employee pay rates will take place at the June 18 meeting.

Trash Collection Contract Renewal

The Village Clerk was directed to contact CWI requesting a proposal for renewal of the trash contract.

Handrails on South Appleknocker Drive

It was decided to leave the existing handrail on South Appleknocker Drive and repair the concrete step. The curved part of existing handrails will be removed in an attempt to reduce the likelihood of damage by vehicles to the handrails.

Fire Department Minutes

The Minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting of the Cobden Fire Department were presented.

Parking on North and South Front Streets

In response to a complaint from Rick Ball regarding limited parking on North and South Front Streets, Mayor Beckley and Police Chief Isom looked into the matter. They verified that visibility would be hindered by parked vehicles. The Board was in agreement that the parking area will remain as stands.

Peach Festival Parade Committee Minutes

The Minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting of the Peach Festival Parade Committee were presented.

Application for Use of Park – Shawnee Hills Wine Trail

An application for use of the Cobden Community Park for a wine festival was presented. Trustee Stewart stated that he believed the school owned property within 100' of the park and, therefore, the festival could not be held there. The piece of property in question is at the corner of Locust and North Centennial Streets. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to approve the application for use of the park subject to determining ownership of the property in question. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Memorial Day Collections

Memorial Day collections at the cemetery totaled \$775.75.

Purchase of Uniform Shirts

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to authorize the purchase of five long-sleeved and five short-sleeved shirts for each public works employee. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Alto Pass Water District Interconnect Project Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment

The Periodic Estimate for Partial Payment #4 for the period of April 21, 2012 through May 25, 2012 was presented. Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to approve the Pay Estimate in the amount of \$18,317.62 (APWD share \$2,109.70). Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Change Order #1

Motion was made by Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$13,169.00. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Engineering Invoice

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to approve Engineering Invoice No. 17598 in the amount of \$7,687.20 (APWD share \$6,342.48). Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddleman, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk