

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF COBDEN, ILLINOIS
HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 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
Alma Gomez (arriving 7:05 p.m.)
Dennis Maze
David Stewart
Frances Swedlund

Also Present

Larry E. Nance, Brian Preston (WISPER), B. J. Hale

Minutes of the October 15, 2012 Regular Meeting

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Minutes of the October 15, 2012 regular meeting 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.

Wisper ISP, Inc. Elevated Structure Agreement

Brian Preston was present to review the proposed Elevated Structure Agreement with Wisper, ISP. Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Gomez, to enter into the Elevated Structure Agreement with Wisper ISP, Inc. as presented and with the approval of Village Attorney Jill Womick-Bloodworth. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Letter from Cobden Unit School Board

A letter from the Cobden Unit School District #17 School Board regarding enhanced cooperation concerning the future of the Village and the School was presented. Mayor Beckley will send a response to the School Board.

Approval of Bills and Salaries

Motion was made by Eddington, seconded by Brumleve, that presented bills in the amount of \$137,077.05 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 Maze, seconded by Brumleve, to approve the Budget Report for the period ending October 31, 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.

Line Item and Other Transfers

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Eddington, to authorize line item and other transfers 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

The Budget Status Report for the period ending October 31, 2012 was presented.

Employee Expense and Overtime Report

The Employee Expense and Overtime Report for the period ending October 31, 2012 was presented to the Board.

Renewal of Insurance Coverage – IML/RMA

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, to renew insurance coverage with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association for 2013 for the cost of \$67,966.97. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion declared carried.

Trustee Eddington advised the Board that a local insurance carrier was interested in making a proposal for the Village’s insurance coverage. It was agreed to continue with IML at this point, but a proposal would be welcome.

Vacating of Alley – First Baptist Church

The public hearing for the request to vacate a portion of an alley from First Baptist Church will be scheduled for Monday, December 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Grant Fund Received for Radios

The Village received \$2,194 in grant funds for radio upgrade for the police and fire departments.

Monthly Police Report

The Police Report for October 2012 was presented.

Application for Use of Park

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Gomez, to approve an application for use of the park submitted by Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy for “Bradley’s Race to End Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy” on June 1, 2013 pending receipt of proper insurance coverage. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion declared carried.

Sewer Rate Increase

Projected revenue from an approximate 5% increase in sewer fees was presented. The Clerk was directed to prepare an ordinance for the increase to take effect the January 1, 2013 billing. The increase is in anticipation of needed funding for sewer treatment plant improvements required in the near future.

Gas Operator Qualification Training Program

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Maze, to enroll Larry E. Nance and Shayne Eddleman in Gas Operator Qualification training sessions at Pinckneyville December 6, January 31 and March 14. Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

Motion declared carried.

Lick Creek Water District

Superintendent Nance was authorized to discuss an increase in the water supply to Lick Creek Water District with representatives of the District and with the Village’s engineering firm.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Brumleve, seconded by Swedlund, that the Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees be adjourned. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Karen M. Winzenburger
Village Clerk