

VILLAGE OF NEW BERLIN  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
September 15, 2021

The Village President determined that an in-person meeting was not practical or prudent and that the attendance at the regular meeting location is not feasible based upon the concerns identified in the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation related to COVID-19. Therefore, the meeting was held via alternative arrangements pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/7, specifically Zoom web Conference and teleconference.

President Mike Krall called the meeting of the New Berlin Village Board to order at 6:01 P.M. Wednesday September 15, 2021. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken and each trustees ability to hear and be heard was confirmed.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: President Mike Krall, Trustee Stephen Knox, Trustee Cindy Morris, Trustee Stephanie Snyder, Trustee Sue Spalding, Treasurer Angela Libben, Clerk Melissa Dees, Attorney Jason Brokaw and Trustee Kris Neuman joined the meeting at 6:05 P.M.

Absent: Trustee Andy Surratt

Audience: Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Cameron Jones from Benton & Associates, and Greta Myers.

**Consideration of the Consent Agenda:**

**Motion:** To Approve the consent agenda as presented for board meeting minutes from August 18, 2021, Treasurer's report, bills, and building permit report.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Absent, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Police:** Chief of Police Terry Nydegger gave the board members the August department report. Chief Nydegger reported that there was some criminal damage done to the items inside of the micro pantry last month and looking at the possibility of moving the location. The police department also assisted with the State and County police departments during the month as well.

**TIF:**

**Motion:** To pay **Jacob & Kline** first half of legal & administrative fees for 2021 – 2022 TIF fiscal year.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Knox

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Utilities:** Written report submitted. Trustee Sue Spalding summarized the Superintendent's report to the board members. Cameron Jones from Benton and Associates discussed clean up at the lagoon with the board members and the WWTP update.

**Zoning:** No Report.

**Streets and Parks:** Written report submitted. No splashpad update at this time per Cameron Jones from Benton and Associates. The board members discussed grant options proposed for sidewalk accessibility to and from school in the Village. The board discussed options with TIF and the 20 percent of the construction and engineering fees that the Village will be responsible for if they move forward. Trustee Snyder informed the board members that the fall clean-up day will also be on October 2, 2021.

**Motion:** To contract with Benton and Associates for \$2800.00 to put application together for the Safe Routes to School Program.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Motion:** To Pass **Resolution 01-21** in support of the grant application for the Safe Route to School Program.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Motion:** To approve purchase of snow plow in amount of \$13,546.00.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Finance:**

**Motion:** To approve **Ordinance 21-13** making supplemental appropriations of sums of money to defray expense and liabilities of the Village of New Berlin for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2022.

Moved by: Trustee Spalding

Seconded by: Trustee Knox

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Health and Safety:** Trustee Morris informed the board members that she was approached by a Village resident concerning a possible safety hazard with a swimming pool. The board members discussed the complaints and will look into what can be done to resolve the issues.

**New Business:**

**Motion:** To Approve **Special Event Liquor License** for Wednesday, October 6, 2021, Riley Green Concert at the Sangamon County Fairgrounds.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Absent, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Motion:** To Approve **Ordinance 21-14** Authorizing of Disposal of Surplus Property by the Village of New Berlin.

Moved by: Trustee Spalding

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Absent, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Old Business:** The board members discussed water meters purchase and installation throughout the Village.

**Motion:** To Approve purchase price for new meters, not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Absent, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

**Liquor Control Commissioner:** No Report.

**Executive Session:** No Report.

**Adjourn:** Motion to Adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Absent, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes, Trustee Surratt: Absent.

Melissa Dees, Village Clerk  
9/15/2021

