

**Village of New Berlin Board Meeting Minutes**  
**6 pm on Feb. 20, 2024 –Village Hall**

**Attendance:**

Mayor Mike Krall and Trustees Stephen Knox, Greg Lokaitis, Kris Neuman, Stephanie Synder, Cindy Morris, Sue Spalding (via phone). Additional Attendees: Treasurer Angie Libben, Clerk Debbie Lakamp, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, TJ King, Cameron Jones (Bennett & Assoc), Sam Pearson, Kenny Kissel, James Poppenhouse.

Call to Order by Mayor Krall at 6:15 p.m.

Mayor Krall sworn-in Debbie Lakamp as Village Clerk.

**Audience:** No Comment

**Police:** Written Report. Of note, shared about Auburn Police Department's body camera system.

**Clerk:** No Report

**Motion:** Move to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Cindy Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Greg Lokaitis  
Motion carries.

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| Trustee Neuman—Yes       | Trustee Stephanie Synder—Yes        |
| Trustee Lokaitis—Yes     | Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes            |
| Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes | Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes (on phone) |

**TIF**—No Report

**Utilities**—Written Report —Of note, water main leak and snowplow duties.

**Zoning**—No Report

**Streets/Parks**—Written Report. Of note, presented cheerleaders with a sign. Water treatment plant needs signage.

**Motion:** Move to purchase eight signs for the water plant to not exceed \$1,038.

Moved by: Trustee Stephen Knox      Seconded by: Trustee Cindy Morris  
Motion carries.

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| Trustee Neuman—Yes       | Trustee Stephanie Synder—Yes        |
| Trustee Lokaitis—Yes     | Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes            |
| Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes | Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes (on phone) |

**Finance:** Trustee Neuman and Treasurer Libben reported that Locis has been updated and month-end is being worked on. Backlog is down to one month. April 30 is the end of the fiscal year.

**Health & Safety:** Body camera discussion for Police Department.

**Personnel:** Will be addressed in Executive Session.

**New Business:**

Discussion of trees that fell on a resident's home.

Discussion of replacing the Village of New Berlin sign at entrance to village that was destroyed.

**Motion:** Move to approve pay one-half upfront and one-half upon completion of replacement of west-end of Village of New Berlin entrance sign to not exceed \$14,360.03 to Corner Stone Masonry.

Moved by: Trustee Cindy Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Greg Lokaitis  
Motion carries.

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| Trustee Neuman—Yes       | Trustee Stephanie Synder—Absent left @6:55 pm |
| Trustee Lokaitis—Yes     | Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes                      |
| Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes | Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes (on phone)           |

**Motion:** Move to approve the raffle license for the Sangamon Co. Fair Pre-Party.

Moved by: Trustee Cindy Morris      Seconded by: Trustee Kris Neuman  
Motion carries.

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| Trustee Neuman—Yes       | Trustee Stephanie Synder—Absent     |
| Trustee Lokaitis—Yes     | Trustee Cindy Morris—Yes            |
| Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes | Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes (on phone) |

### **Old Business**

Sidewalks, IDOT will be in August.

**Liquor**—No Report

**Motion:** Move to recess for 10 minutes and then go into Executive Session. (5IL CS120/2(c)(1))

Moved by: Trustee Kris Neuman      Seconded by: Trustee Greg Lokaitis  
Motion carries.

**Motion:** Move to hire Mary Ledbetter for the position of New Berlin Deputy Clerk at a \$46,000 annual salary.

Moved by: Trustee Stephen Knox      Seconded by: Trustee Greg Lokaitis  
Motion carries.

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| Trustee Neuman—Present   | Trustee Stephanie Synder—No (returned 7:17 pm) |
| Trustee Lokaitis—Yes     | Trustee Cindy Morris—No                        |
| Trustee Stephen Knox—Yes | Trustee Sue Spalding—Yes (on phone)            |
| Mayor Mike Krall—Yes     |  |

**Motion:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Stephanie Synder      Seconded by: Trustee Stephen Knox  
Motion carries.

Adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Lakamp  
Village Clerk