

VILLAGE OF NEW BERLIN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 20, 2023

President Mike Krall called the meeting of the New Berlin Village Board to order at 6:06 P.M. Wednesday December 20, 2023 at the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and roll call was taken.

Attendees: President Mike Krall, Trustee Stephen Knox, Trustee Greg Lokaitis, Trustee Cindy Morris, Trustee Stephanie Snyder, Trustee Sue Spalding, Attorney Jason Brokaw, Clerk Melissa Dees, Treasurer Angie Libben, TJ King, Superintendent Mitch Neuman and Chief of Police Terry Nydegger.

Audience: Cameron Jones with Benton and Associates, Rob Brown, Greta Myers, Cynde Foote, Curt Stephens, Ed Cook and Kenny Kissle.

Cynde Foote, CPA presented the audit for year ended April 30, 2023 to the board members.

Ed Cook with Lake Area Disposal introduced himself to the board members and provided information on the family-owned business. Lake Area would like to expand to the New Berlin area to offer services to the New Berlin residences. Village residences can reach out to Lake Area Disposal for services.

Police: Written report submitted. Chief of Police Terry Nydegger summarized his monthly report with the board members and also informed the board that the Humvee is out of service and is needing repaired.

Clerk: Correspondence received from Ron and Mary Krohse, thanking the board members for a tree that was removed.

Consideration of the Consent Agenda:

Motion: To approve the consent agenda as presented.

Moved by: Trustee Knox

Seconded by: Trustee Spalding

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

TIF: No Report.

Utilities: Written report submitted. Trustee Morris summarized the report with the board members and also discussed a warning letter that was received for not recording proper documentation on the water report. Cameron Jones with Benton and Associates will look into this matter. Trustee Morris asked TJ King to attend the water meetings going forward. Cameron Jones gave the board members the wastewater updates.

Internet: No written report submitted. Trustee Spalding reported 179 paying customers at this time for the internet services.

Zoning: No report.

Streets and Parks: Written report submitted. Trustee Snyder summarized the written report to the board members and mentioned the employees have been very busy. Trustee Snyder reported that everything is being finalized for IDOT in regards to the sidewalk project. Trustee Snyder announced the second gate at the splashpad was approved at the last meeting but it had the wrong invoice amount on it. A new invoice has been provided and wanted the board to be aware of it.

Motion: To approve the install of a second gate at the splashpad, not to exceed \$3600.00.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Finance: Audit presented to the board members and a few intergovernmental funds need to be moved around.

Motion: To approve audit as presented.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Personnel: Attorney Jason Brokaw discussed ordinance 23-14 with the board members. Trustee Knox announced to the board members he has revised the upcoming position description and it is ready to be posted.

Motion: To pick to be exempt from **ordinance 23-14**.

Moved by: Trustee Snyder

Seconded by: Trustee Neuman

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

New Business: Trustee Neuman discussed the purchase of a new office printer with the board members and announced that it will save money. The board tabled the discussion of a license agreement with New Cingular Wireless and the lease purchase of dump truck at this time.

Motion: To purchase a new desktop printer, not to exceed \$1000.00.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Neuman

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Motion: To approve **resolution 04-23** for meeting dates as presented.

Moved by: Trustee Neuman

Seconded by: Trustee Morris

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Motion: To approve the purchase of the light stand generator.

Moved by: Trustee Knox

Seconded by: Trustee Lokaitis

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Old Business: No Report.

Liquor Control Commissioner:

Motion: To approve special event liquor license for Flatlanders Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation “Haunting Heritage Banquet” February 3, 2024 at the Sangamon County Fairgrounds.

Moved by: Trustee Morris

Seconded by: Trustee Knox

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Executive Session:

Motion: Trustee Lokaitis made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:39 P.M. to discuss 5ILCS 120/2 (C)(1) and Trustee Knox seconded the motion.

Trustee Knox: Yes, Trustee Lokaitis: Yes, Trustee Morris: Yes, Trustee Neuman: Yes, Trustee Snyder: Yes, Trustee Spalding: Yes.

Resumed open session at 8:52 P.M.

Motion: Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:52 P.M.

Motion carried with unanimous voice vote.

Melissa Dees, Village Clerk

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