6:30 p.m. The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Behnken. A roll call was answered aye by Trustee Politsch, Kearns, Fitzgerald, Geppert and Feder. Also present were Chris Remick, Superintendent of Public Works and Andy Fauth, Village Treasurer. Trustee Newbold was absent.

VISITORS

Craig Weber and Justin Majzel were present for observation.

Justin Majzel wanted to check with the Village to see if they were going to sponsor the Banana Brigade again this year for the homecoming parade. The board stated that they are willing to do that again this year.

Craig Weber voiced his concerns on how the village went about trimming trees around town and more specifically on his property.

READINGOF THE JOURNAL(MINUTES)

The minutes from the June 5, 2023, board meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Politsch, to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2023, board meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

The minutes from the May 22, 2023, COW meeting had been distributed for approval.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder, seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald, to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2023, COW meeting. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

MAYOR

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the treasurer’s report.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald and seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve the treasurer’s report. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve the appropriation ordinance for 2023-2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald and seconded by Trustee Geppert to approve the appropriation ordinance for 2023-2024. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to approve four EMT’s to be scheduled for the Homecoming and the July 23rd concert.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Kearns to approve four EMT’s to be scheduled for the Homecoming and the July 23rd concert. It was decided to have a roll call vote on July 23rd concert and vote on the Homecoming events separately. A vote was answered aye by all present.

A roll call vote was made to approve that four EMT’s be scheduled for the July 23rd concert.

All answered aye except Trustee Fitzgerald voted nay and Trustee Feder abstained.

A motion was made by Trustee Politsch and seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald to have four EMT’s scheduled for the Homecoming. A vote was answered aye by all present.

VILLAGECLERK

The Village Clerk had nothing to report.

TREASURER’STIME

The Treasurer had nothing to report.

POLICECHIEF

Chief Buehler stated he has another applicant Cody Powell for the part-time police officer and would be interested in moving forward with hiring him.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Mayor Behnken requested that we start the hiring process for Public Works, he will place ads in the Freeburg Tribune, Facebook, and on our website.

AMBULANCE SERVICE DIRECTOR

Director Green stated that he received the cardiac monitors and the warranty care package, and all is good. He also mentioned that they were able to use the monitors and were able to transfer the data to the hospital and it all worked as expected.

 REPORTOFSTANDINGCOMMITTEES

STREETS AND ALLEYS

Nothing to report.

FINANCE AND AUDIT

Nothing to report.

WATERANDSEWER

Nothing to report.

PERSONNEL

A request was made by Mayor Behnken to hire Jason Barry as a part-time police officer.

A motion was made by Trustee Feder and seconded by Trustee Fitzgerald to approve the hiring of Jason Barry for a part-time police officer. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PARKS

Nothing to report.

CEMETERY

Nothing to report.

ORDINANCE

Nothing to report.

IMPROVEMENTS AND GRANTS

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC SAFETY/ADA

Nothing to report.

MARINA

There are 35 operational campgrounds, we will also get a dumpster placed down at the campgrounds, and a light to be added.

Trustee Politsch will be working on getting signs made for the campgrounds.

It was stated that the rule change to accommodate the possession of firearms at the campgrounds was taken care of.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nothing to report.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES

Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Trustee Fitzgerald and seconded by Trustee Geppert, to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm. A vote was answered aye by all members present.

 Joe Behnken, Village President

Amy Ohlendorf, Village Clerk