

**Village of New Berlin Minutes**  
**Special Board Meeting, Town Hall**  
**Aug. 22, 2007**

President Frank called the special meeting of the Village of New Berlin Trustees to order at 7:02 p.m. on Aug. 22, 2007 at the Village Hall. He explained the purpose of the meeting was to discuss personnel, employee insurance and the water proposal. The Pledge of Alliance was said and roll call was taken.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Present:** President Stephen Frank and Trustees David Kuehl, Ryan Sours, Katie Hatfield, Joel Sander, Michael Krall, and Curt Stephens. Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Myers.

**ABSENT:** None

**AUDIENCE:**

Village Employees: Mary Pfeffer, Water and Sewer Superintendent Tim Bliss, Public Works Superintendent William Poole; Diann Reed, Director Local Government Health Plans, Illinois Dept. of Central Management Services; Ed DeGroot, Benton & Associates; and Linda Whalen, *New Berlin Bee/Times Journal*.

Director Local Government Health Plans Diann Reed gave a presentation on health insurance plan coverage options including vision and dental for Village of New Berlin employees. The plan parallels the State of Illinois benefits and provides four plan options, dependent coverage and coverage for full-time and part-time employees as well as elected village officials.

**Water Plan:**

President Frank stated the Village of New Berlin is required by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to submit a proposal or signed agreement by Oct. 31, 2007.

The trustees reviewed a purchase agreement provided by the Curran-Gardner Water District. The trustees expressed interest in pursuing the possibilities of obtaining water from other sources, such as Chatham or Springfield.

All trustees agreed wherever New Berlin purchased water the water rates would increase. The general consensus was to explore increasing New Berlin customer water rates in the near future so customers would not be hit with a large increase all at once. The trustees also agreed that a public hearing would have to be held in the future to explain the IEPA's mandates, the options for a new water source and the expenses involved.

**MOTION:**

Move to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

Moved by: Trustee Sanders

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield  
Motion carries unanimously.

The body went into recess for executive session at 8:53 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The special board meeting was reconvened at 9:47 p.m.

**MOTION:**

Move to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Trustee Stephens  
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Lakamp  
Clerk  
Village of New Berlin

