

Village of New Berlin Minutes
Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall
December 19, 2007

President Steve Frank called the Village of New Berlin Trustees meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on Dec. 19, 2007 at the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call was taken.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: President Steve Frank; Trustees David Kuehl, Ryan Sours, Katie Hatfield, Joel Sander, Michael Krall and Curt Stephens; Treasurer Shanda Byers, Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Myers.

ABSENT: None

AUDIENCE: Building Inspector Mark Witt, Water and Sewer Superintendent Tim Bliss, Public Works Superintendent William Poole, Police Officer Craig Anderson and Linda Hughes, *New Berlin Bee* Reporter.

MOTION: To waive the reading of the meeting minutes for Nov. 21, 2007.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries unanimously.

MOTION: To approve the Nov. 21, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Byers reported all accounts are balanced. There has been work on the tax levy. A \$22,000 certificate of deposit was renewed at 4.6% interest for 24-months.

MOTION: To approve the Treasurer's Report.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries unanimously

MOTION: To adopt Ordinance 2007-19, an ordinance for levy and assessment of taxes for the Village of New Berlin for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2007 and ending April 30, 2008.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes	Kuehl-- Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield--Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

MOTION: To adopt Ordinance 2007-20—An Ordinance abating the 2007 water abatement bond for the payment of the Village of New Berlin, Illinois General Obligations Bonds (Alt. Source Revenue Source Series 2003).

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes	Kuehl-- Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield--Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

VILLAGE CLERK: No Report

POLICE REPORT: Officer Craig Anderson report the New Berlin's new squad car would be picked up on Dec. 20. He noted New Berlin's newest officer was deployed to New Orleans with his National Guard Unit shortly after being sworn as a village law enforcement officer. Chief Nydygger made the Springfield Journal Register regarding possible return of an urn of ashes to its family after having been in the police department's evidence room for years. A total of 16 traffic citations were written.

AUDIENCE: None

TIF DISTRICT:

MOTION: To reimburse School District Unit #16 \$18, 406.80 in TIF District Funds.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Krall

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes	Kuehl-- Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield--Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

COMMITTEES:

ZONING:

Trustee Kuehl reported this committee had met and is working on how to streamline permits and enforcement. One new permit was issued.

STREETS & PARKS:

Trustee Krall informed the Board the village's new truck has been delayed due to a UAW strike. It is now being built in Garland, TX. Delivery is expected Feb. 12, 2008. Financing for the vehicle is in place.

Two bids for garage door openers with keypads were reviewed.

MOTION: To accept Caruthers Garage Door Service's proposal for garage door openers and to not exceed \$2,700 in final cost.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

The building demolished in the tornado has been rebuilt and will be completely finished after Jan. 1, 2008. The next project is to obtain bids to put a fence behind town hall so the equipment area can be secured. Snowplowing went well.

UTILITIES:

Trustee Sander reported the committee had met. Superintendent Bliss met with School Superintendent Val Carr regarding installing a water meter at the football field. No sewer would be needed. The school would pay for the pump installation. The committee is recommending the water meter be install at the football field.

MOTION: To put a water meter at the football field for CUSD #16 with the project being paid for by the school.

Moved by: Trustee Sander
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries unanimously.

Windrow Subdivision Developer Pat Neumann is requesting the village extend the water line 340 feet down Birch Street. This would create another water distribution loop for the village.

MOTION: To proceed with the extension of the water main down Birch Street using TIF Funds.

Moved by: Trustee Sander
Seconded by: Trustee Sours
Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

Discussion was held regarding the replacement of two pumps at two lift stations. Bids to replace the pumps are to be obtained and presented at the January 2008 meeting.

President Frank reported as of Oct. 1, 2007 the Village of New Berlin was in compliance IDNR regulations.

FINANCE:

MOTION: To pay the bills.

Moved by: Trustee Kuehl
Seconded by: Trustee Stephens
Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

HEALTH & SAFETY

Trustee Sours reported that Chief Nydygger has requested some clarifications regarding parking from the committee. In addition, Chief Nydygger has requested to train another new officer, Mike Marquis, through MTU#10.

MOTION: To have Chief Nydygger proceed with PTI for Mike Marquis.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours —Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

PERSONNEL: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Sander reported the Holiday Lighting Contest went well. The winners were: First Place: Wilson's; Second Place: Tim Berry; Third Place Tie: Blankenship's and Bent's.

There are no updates on the water agreement with Chatham.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Frank will see if Ameren will assist the village in purchasing lights for the next Holiday Season. Ameren is providing the village with four rebuilt street lights at no charge in 2007 and an additional four lights in 2008. The street lights are energy efficient.

LIQUEOR:

The smoking ban goes into place on Jan. 1, 2008 in Sangamon County.

MOTION: To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Lakamp
Clerk
Village of New Berlin