

**Village of New Berlin Minutes**  
**Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall**  
**October 15, 2008**

President Steve Frank called the Village of New Berlin Trustees meeting to order at 7 p.m. on October 15, 2008 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:** Water and Sewer Superintendent Tim Bliss, Street & Parks Superintendent Billy Poole, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Reporter Linda Hughes, Benton & Associates John Calise and Sean Pickford, and Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Vice President of Business Attraction & Development Tim Rogers.

**MOTION:** To remove the September 2008 Minutes from the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Sander

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To remove the Building Report from the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Sours

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Kuehl

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

**MOTION:** To accept September 17, 2008 Minutes as corrected.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Krall

Corrections to be made are the spelling of Craig Hall, to list who made and seconded the motion regarding Ordinance 08-11 and in the motion regarding a generator purchase to clarify that the to be installed was a gas pipe.

Motion carries unanimously.

**VILLAGE CLERK:** No Correspondence

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Nydegger reviewed police activities for the last month. Those activities included 10 citations and 19 warning tickets. A \$145 was received from the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk and \$60 was received from the Vehicle Fund. A new radar unit was received and installed. A Biker Poker Run, the Pleasant Plain High School Parade and the New Berlin High School Parade all went well. Chief Nydegger extended a public thank you to the Loami Police of their help during the New Berlin High School Parade.

**AUDIENCE:** Nothing

**TIF DISTRICT:**

Tim Rogers from the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce reported on a Sept. 24 meeting between him, Vince King and Mayor Frank regarding the Chamber putting a three year option on the property at the west end of New Berlin for the purpose of marketing it as a building site to an employer. In order to present the property in the best light to a potential buyer an environmental survey and soil borings are needed. The two surveys will cost \$15,000. The Chamber's Board is willing to pay the \$15,000 upfront for the surveys. Rogers would like to know if New Berlin would reimburse the Chamber the \$15,000 if the property sells in three years or if it doesn't sell would New Berlin be willing to split the \$15,000 for the surveys at the end of the three years. The option is on 85 acres, which he believes is the best business development site in Sangamon County. He also noted the King family is not receiving any financial compensation for the option. After discussion, the consensus of the Trustees was that the majority was interested but there were some reservations until more information was known.

**COMMITTEES:**

**UTILITIES:**

Superintendent Bliss reported the following: testing chlorine levels in the stream; Ameren ran into a water line; and gave a status report on the sewer project on Henry & Pine Streets. Trustee Sander suggested in the future, projects like the Henry & Pine Street should be hired out as New Berlin doesn't have the proper equipment to deal with this type of project.

Mayor Frank brought to the Trustee's attention an Identity Theft Policy that public owned utilities are now required to implement by federal law prior to Nov. 1, 2008.

**MOTION:** To approve Ordinance 08-15, the Identity Theft Prevention Program.

**Moved by:** Trustee Sander

**Seconded by:** Trustee Sours

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

**ZONING:**

Trustee Kuehl reported one building permit was issued in the last month.

Mayor Frank brought to the trustees' attention that the Village of New Berlin was still receiving certificate of occupancy comments. A brief discussion was held.

**STREETS & PARKS:**

Superintendent Poole noted repairs to be made around the village. The Street Committee will be exploring a drainage issue at Isaac & Benton. An ordinance for a stop sign at Liana Lane & Birch is to be prepared for the November meeting.

**FINANCE:**

The Finance Committee will be meeting to prepare the tax levy.

**HEALTH & SAFETY:**

The generator is in and installation will be finished this week. The emergency siren is working.

**PERSONNEL:** No Report

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The trustees set Halloween Trick-or-Treat Night from 5 pm-9 pm on Oct. 31, 2008.

An IMLRMA (Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association) contribution increase will occur in December, 2008. If the New Berlin pays the 2009 contribution prior to Nov. 21, 2008 a small discount will apply.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**LIQUOR:** No Report

**MOTION:** To go into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Krall

Motion carries unanimously.

Meeting recesses at 8:40 pm for Executive Session.

Meeting reconvenes regular session at 9:14 pm

**MOTION:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Stephens

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Lakamp  
Clerk  
Village of New Berlin