

Village of New Berlin Minutes
Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall
April 15, 2009

President Steve Frank called the Village of New Berlin Trustees Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. on April 15, 2009 at the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call was taken.

ATTENDANCE: President Steve Frank, Trustees Ryan Sours, Joel Sander, Mike Krall, David Kuehl, Katie Hatfield, and Curt Stephens; Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Myers.

ABESENT: None

AUDIENCE: Streets & Parks Superintendent Bill Poole, Water Superintendent Tim Bliss, Police Chief Terry Nydegger and Sean Pickford, Benton & Associates and Linda Hughes, Reporter.

MOTION: To withdraw the Building Permit Report from the Consent Agenda.
Moved by: Trustee Kuehl
Seconded by: Trustee Stephens
Motion carries.

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda.
Moved by: Trustee Kuehl
Seconded by: Trustee Sander
Motion carries on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours:	Yes	Trustee Kuehl:	Yes
Trustee Sander:	Yes	Trustee Hatfield:	Yes
Trustee Krall	Yes	Trustee Stephens:	Yes

MOTION: To accept Executive Session Minutes from March 18,2009.
Moved by: Trustee Sander
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl
Motion carries.

MOTION: To approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2009.
Moved by: Trustee Krall
Seconded by: Trustee Sander
Motion carries.

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT: Chairman Kuehl reported two fence permits and one permit to demolish a house had been approved.

CLERK: No Report

POLICE REPORT: Chief Nydegger reported nine citations and 15 warning tickets. The Village received \$10 from the Sangamon County Clerk's Office for tickets. New Berlin Officers assisted Loami with patrol on the clean up day after the storm that caused extensive damage in Loami. New Berlin Officers also helped with security at the Gold & Silver Show at the Sangamon County Fairgrounds. The Police Department is on the watch for roof walkers at the high school.

Chief Nydegger noted that while Dollar General coming to town is a benefit for the community he expects additional work for the police department.

TIF DISTRICT: A building permit application and the executed TIF Agreement for Dollar General were received. A total of five test holes for soil samples were dug. Work is ongoing with the county highway department for the entrance to Dollar General.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

UTILITIES: Chairman Sander reported the committee met on March 29, 2009 to determine if stimulus funds could be used to replace fire hydrants and paint the water towers. The committee decided to use fire protection money to replace the fire hydrants. TIF money or Water Depreciation Funds will be used to paint one water tower.

He also reported on a pre-construction meeting with Petersburg Plumbing & Heating for the King Minor Sewer Project.

MOTION: To pass a resolution authorizing a representative to sign loan documents for the EPA and Mayor Frank is the representative.

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

For a total of \$140 a total of 200 catfish were purchased to stock the reservoir.

Trustee Sander led a discussion on whether to implement summer sewer rates. The Board agreed to implement summer sewer rates. All residents previously signed up will automatically be signed up this year. Those who have not previously participate can call the Village Hall to sign up. Summer sewer rates will run from June through August.

Superintendent Bliss reported water loss at 18.6%. The leaks have been fixed. He also shared pro's and con's of switching water sample testing facilities. The Board agreed to have him utilize his expertise in selecting the appropriate testing facility.

ZONING: No Report.

STREETS & PARKS: Superintendent Poole reported putting up STOP and street signs in Windrow. He noted the need to cut down a tree on the street easement by the fairgrounds. The estimated cost is \$1245.

MOTION: To have George Southard Tree Service remove the tree and fence west of Cedar Street at a cost not to exceed \$1245.

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

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours:	Yes	Trustee Kuehl:	Yes
Trustee Sander:	Yes	Trustee Hatfield:	Yes
Trustee Krall	Yes	Trustee Stephens:	Yes

A discussion regarding the need for approaches to the west building was discussed. The project would require two, 12' X 22' concrete approaches and be reinforced with 6" rods. Without them it is difficult to get salt for roads.

MOTION: To build two, 12' X 22' approach pads in front of the shop doors of the west building not to exceed \$3,500 with the work being done by Smith Concrete, Inc.

Moved by: Trustee Krall

Seconded by: Trustee Sours

Motion carries on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours: Yes Trustee Kuehl: Yes

Trustee Sander: Yes Trustee Hatfield: Yes

Trustee Krall: Yes Trustee Stephens: Yes

A brief discussion was held regarding a concern about flooding raised by Mark Kunz. The storm sewers run into a ditch. The ditch overflows and water overruns. The Street Committee will discuss the concern.

HEALTH & SAFETY: A complaint was received regarding kids partying at Scranton's Old House. A letter will be sent to the property owners so they can secure the house.

FINANCE:

The committee is waiting for end of the fiscal year numbers to finish the budget. A budget meeting is set for May 13, 2009.

PERSONNEL: No Report

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Frank received a handwritten bill from Ryan King for six round bales of hay that were destroyed when there was a fire at the Sewer Plant on March 28, 2009.

MOTION: To pay King Farms \$180 as a reimbursement for the round bales that were burned.

Moved by: Trustee Krall

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion failed on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours: No Trustee Kuehl: No

Trustee Sander: No Trustee Hatfield: No

Trustee Krall: No Trustee Stephens: No

MOTION: To make an insurance claim to pay for the six round bales owned by King Farms and valued at \$180.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Krall

Motion carries unanimously on roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours: Yes Trustee Kuehl: Yes

Trustee Sander: Yes Trustee Hatfield: Yes

Trustee Krall: Yes Trustee Stephens: Yes

OLD BUSINESS: None

LIQUOR: Applications for licenses have been sent out.

Mayor Frank reported on one license violation. The violator plead ignorance on the ordinance interpretation.

In other discussion, Board members agreed to think about a solution to dumping in the burn area.

At 8:15 p.m. the Board voted to go into Executive Session.

MOTION: To go into Executive Session for budget and personnel matters.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries.

The Board goes into Executive Session at 8:15 pm. The Board Meeting resumes at 8:25 pm.

MOTION: To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Krall

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Lakamp
Clerk
Village of New Berlin