

**Village of New Berlin Minutes**  
**Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall**  
**Oct. 21, 2009**

President Steve Frank called the meeting of the Village of New Berlin Trustees Meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. on Oct. 21, 2009 at the Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call was taken.

**ATTENDENCE:** President Steve Frank, Trustees Ryan Sours, Joel Sander, Mike Krall, David Kuehl, Katie Hatfield, and Curt Stephens ; Village Treasurer Shanda Byer, Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Meyers.

**ABESENT:** None

**AUDIENCE:** Streets & Parks Superintendent Bill Poole, Water Superintendent Tim Bliss, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Sean Pickford, Bill Pfeffer, Nick San Diego, Attorney.

**MOTION:** To accept the Executive Minutes from the Aug. 19, 2009 meeting.  
Moved by: Trustee Sander  
Seconded by: Trustee Sours  
Motion carries.

**MOTION:** To approve Consent Agenda.  
Moved by: Trustee Sours  
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A thank you note from the Joel Sander family for funeral flowers.

**POLICE:** Chief Nydegger reported the officers wrote 2 citations and 12 warning tickets. The Village of New Berlin received \$99 for Aug and \$63 for Sept. from the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk. He also reported the police department assisted the fire department with a motorcycle poker run. The New Berlin Police Officers assisted Pleasant Plains with homecoming traffic. Chief Nydegger is looking for another officer that is certified to hire since Sgt. Anderson has taken another position. In addition, Chief Nydegger obtained a pressure washer for police department and the village to use.

**AUDIENCE:** None.

**TIF:** Mayor Frank is finalizing some paperwork with Dollar General representatives as the store is now open for business

**UTILITIES:**

South Sangamon Water Commission Representative Bill Pfeffer gave the Board of Trustees an update on the commission’s activities. The water commission will oversee the operation of the new water plant planned in Chatham.

Superintendent Bliss presented a maintenance contract from Ruby Electric for the village’s generators.

**MOTION:** To approve the Ruby Electric Contract for generator maintenance that reflects an increase of \$145 and totals \$2,490.

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

Supt. Bliss reported George Alarm Company is going to bid on putting electronic surveillance at the village burn pile.

He also reported the lost water for the month was 12%; a suction line had been unplugged and the transfer lines from one lagoon to the other were unplugged.

Trustee Stephens brought up the need to review a water rate increase for after Jan. 1, 2010. The Trustees agreed that the residential rate would need to be increased.

Mayor Frank expressed appreciation to both Superintendent Bliss and Superintendent Poole for helping each other out and their hard work.

**ZONING:**

Chairman Kuehl stated the building report was on file.

**STREETS & PARKS:**

**MOTION:** To approve the \$600 annual Crosier property lot rental.

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

Superintendent Poole reported the extra rock has been swept up in the Heritage Point subdivision and leaves have been cleaned up in the village.

**FINANCE:**

**MOTION:** To change the wording of the internal control policy for \$499 or less so that the Treasurer or in the case of absence, the Chair of the Finance Committee and at least one of the following: Mayor,

Village Clerk or Designated Board of Trustee and on all checks for the amounts of \$500 or more must be signed by the Treasurer or in case of absence, Chair of the Finance Committee and at least two of the following: Mayor, Village Clerk or Designated Board of Trustee.

Moved by: Trustee Sander  
Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield  
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 adopt the Municipal Investment Policy

Moved by: Trustee Sander  
Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield  
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

The Finance Committee will meet on the tax levy on Nov. 19.

**HEALTH & SAFETY:** Hand sanitizer will be purchased for the Village Hall to aid in curbing the spread of germs with the concerns about the H1N1 Flu Virus.

A family requested to keep pet chickens in their house. The Board agreed the family could ask for a zoning variance.

**PERSONNEL:** No Report

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Attorney Myers is putting together a memo regarding the impacts on the Village of New Berlin when changes are made to the Freedom of Information Action on Jan. 1, 2010. A letter will be drafted to Allen Smith stating the Village Trustees are looking into how the changes will affect village business.

**MOTION:** To approve Trick or Treating Hours for 5 pm-9 pm on Oct. 31, 2009.

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

Trustee Sander will represent the New Berlin on the Capitol Club Committee being set up by Representative Rich Brauer.

Weight Watchers would like to meet at the Village Hall. Trustees agreed the group could meet there free of charge.

**MOTION:** To release the Executive Board Minutes from 2008 to present.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**MOTION:** To change the Aug. 2009 Minutes to reflect that Trustee Sander voted “No” on the closure of Rt. 4 for a community event not Trustee Sours.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously 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

Mayor Frank wants to do an advertisement in the newspaper welcoming the five new businesses to town. The trustees agreed this was a good idea.

A letter went out the Williamsville requesting a reference on Glacial Energy.

**LIQUOR:** The State Liquor Commissioner was in town and there were no problems reported.

**MOTION:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Lakamp  
Clerk  
Village of New Berlin