

Village of New Berlin Minutes
Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall
August 19, 2009

President Steve Frank called the meeting of the Village of New Berlin Trustees Meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. on August 19, 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 (arrived 7:15 pm-EMS call out); Village Treasurer Shanda Byer, Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Meyers.

ABSENT: None

AUDIENCE: Streets & Parks Superintendent Bill Poole, Water Superintendent Tim Bliss, Police Chief Terry Nydegger, Dan Walker, Thomas Jacobs Group, and Linda Hughes, Reporter.

MOTION: To approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

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:	Absent

CORRESPONDENCE: None

POLICE: None as the police department was assisting Loami due to the tornado.

TIF: Dan Walker, Thomas N. Jacobs & Associates, reviewed the TIF District and its distributions.

UTILITIES:

MOTION: To ratify Ordinance 09-11 to change the name of the Chatham-New Berlin Water Commission to the South Sangamon Water Commission.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

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

Water Superintendent Tim Bliss reported installing water service for Fred Rice on Britz Road, repaired water at Dollar General and replaced a motor at the Water Plant. In addition, four fire hydrants have been replaced.

Mayor Frank reported he attended the Water Commission Meeting in Chatham. The Environmental Management group who is going to run the plant was in attendance. The water plant plans are moving forward.

ZONING:

Chairman Kuehl reported on permits. An article was in the newspaper explaining that building permits are needed for additions, renovations, decks, fences, roofs and pretty much everything else. A brief discussion was held regarding neighbors disagreeing over property lines. The Board is in agreement that the property owners need to have property line surveys if they are unable to find a compromise. The Board urged being neighborly and trying to find compromises.

STREETS & PARKS:

Superintendent Poole and Mayor Frank discussed the need for school zone speed limit signs. The need to update the sidewalk ordinance was also discussed.

FINANCE:

Revenue is down approximately \$5,000 compared to last year.

HEALTH & SAFETY:

A letter from CUSD#16 Superintendent Val Carr praising Office Craig Anderson and thanking him for his work was read. Discussion on allowing ATVs and golf carts on the village streets was delayed as there is state legislation pending on the issue.

PERSONNEL: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A letter is to be sent to the owner of an empty lot on West Maple regarding the height of grass and weeds.

The Board agreed to an Index of New Berlin Codes for \$460.

A general discussion led to consent to a distribution agreement with Universal AdCom to sell ads for an emergency phone number magnet to be distributed free in New Berlin.

Municipalities can now vote to not have video poker. If the municipality does not act, then video poker is allowed. New Berlin has video poker and a percentage of the revenue comes back to the municipality. The Board did not take any action on the topic beyond discussion.

Trustee Hatfield expressed thanks to those who attend the tractor pull.

MOTION: To pass a resolution to close Rt. 54 or Illinois Street from Oak to Locust on Sept. 5 for a Community Street Festival.

Moved by: Trustee Krall

Seconded: Trustee Kuehl

The motion carries on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Trustee Sours:	Yes	Trustee Kuehl:	Yes
Trustee Sander:	No	Trustee Hatfield:	Yes
Trustee Krall	Yes	Trustee Stephens:	Absent

OLD BUSINESS: None

LIQUOR: None

MOTION: To go into Executive Session at 8:31 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously.

Executive session adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

MOTION: To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Kuehl

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Lakamp
Clerk
Village of New Berlin