

REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES: AUGUST 15, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the New Baden Village Board met Monday, August 15, 2016, at New Baden Village Hall, 1 East Hanover Street.

In the absence of Mayor Picard, it was motioned and approved to allow senior Trustee Malina to chair the meeting. Trustee Malina called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present and answering to roll call:** Trustees Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Gunn, and Pettibone. **Absent:** Mayor Picard, Trustee Oster. **Staff Members Present:** Village Clerk Crane; Village Administrator Hemmer; Attorney Doug Gruenke of Bruckert, Gruenke & Long, P.C.; Police Chief Meinhardt; Director of EMS Gilbert; Chief Building & Zoning Official Green; Park & Rec Coordinator Meinhardt; and Public Works Commissioner Renth.

Guests

Members of the New Baden Boy Scouts were present to observe the Village Board meeting as a patch requirement: Trevor Korte, Ethan Stroup, Cole Thaler and Jacob Beal.

Agenda Change

A motion was made by Trustee Mavrogeorge and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to approve a change to the agenda, placing the Resignation of Trustee Gunn before Reports and Communications

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

**Abstain:** Gunn.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

Letter of Resignation:  
Trustee Jonathan  
Gunn

A motion was made by Trustee Pettibone and seconded by Trustee Mavrogeorge to approve the resignation of Trustee Jonathan Gunn. Mr. Gunn has built a new home and will now reside outside of the Village corporate limits.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

**Abstain:** Gunn.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Mavrogeorge and seconded by Trustee Pettibone to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Minutes from the August 1, 2016, Regular Meeting and authorization of payment of current invoices.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

Ordinance 2016-08-  
15-A: Adding  
Minimum Zoning  
District Size  
Requirements to  
Village Zoning Code

This ordinance amends the Village of New Baden Zoning Code per the recommendation made at the July 12, 2016, Plan Commission Meeting. The Village Attorney does not feel language is needed that allows for the addition of acreage smaller than the district size. This change is not required, but by requiring minimum district sizes, the Plan Commission and Board of Trustees have a tool to help prevent spot zoning.

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Ordinance 2016-08-15-A: Adding Minimum Zoning District Size Requirements to Village Zoning Code, cont.

A motion was made by Trustee Pettibone and seconded by Trustee Mavrogeorge to approve Ordinance 2016-08-15-A: Adding Minimum Zoning District Size Requirements to Village Zoning Code. This will amend Appendix "A" of the Zoning Code.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

Ambulance Special Service Area Levies

Administrator Hemmer met again with representatives from Albers and Damiansville to discuss the Ambulance Special Service Area (SSA) Levies. Village Board members received his entire report to review. The outcome from the meeting was: 1) the levy amounts presented were acceptable for this year; 2) any of the SSA's that so desire will develop and present an Intergovernmental Agreement for New Baden ambulance services for the Village to consider next year; and 3) the Ambulance Committee will meet earlier and more frequently (but New Baden determines the EMS Budget) to allow for back and forth regarding any agreements proposed. Also discussed was upcoming costs to the New Baden EMS and the communities are very interested in energizing the Ambulance Committee and tasking it with developing an event that will help raise funds for the New Baden EMS. The proposed levies are: Damiansville SSA 7: \$15,022; Albers SSA 8: \$39,495; New Baden SSA 9: \$69,500; and Unincorporated Lookingglass Township SSA 10: \$49,969. This is an increase of 1.36% over the 2015 SSA Levy

6<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Street Parking Zones

This topic of the parking zones on 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Streets been discussed by Village staff since the last meeting. Public Works Commissioner Renth has indicated he does not think the "no parking" zones are a good idea, especially along 8<sup>th</sup> Street where they may force drivers to park on the other side of the street, along open drainage ditches and farther into the street. Chief Meinhardt does not feel strongly either way, just that the signage should reflect the zones.

Full-time Police Officer

Full-Time Officer Candidate Nathan Hagemann has passed the Village required tests for employment and has accepted the Village's offer for Full-Time employment. He will be sworn in at the September 6, 2016 Regular Meeting with a potential starting date of September 7, 2016.

Wastewater Treatment Facility Blower

The wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) has had two of the three blowers fail. Public Works Commissioner Renth has worked with a repair shop in Belleville that ended up shipping one of the blowers to Indiana for repair. In July 2014, while that blower was in the shop, another blower at the plant failed. This has left the plant with one operating blower and no back-up plan for two years. On July 26, 2016, Mr. Renth received an inspection report on the blower that was sent to Indiana. There is significant repair needed at \$7,522. The vendor, Powered Equipment Repair, Inc., recommends the purchase of a remanufactured unit at \$5,778; a new unit would cost \$10,593. Powered Equipment Repair, who visited the WWTF, believes the other broken unit is not repairable and broke due to something getting inside the housing. Due to the urgency of this situation, Administrator Hemmer approved Mr. Renth to proceed with the purchase of the remanufactured blower at \$5,778. Mr. Hemmer says this purchase will be added the Sewer Department budget by delaying the purchase of some items as agreed upon with Mr. Renth.

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Wastewater  
Treatment Facility  
Blower, cont.

If the Village can operate with only the two blowers until next year, the plan will be to get a new blower into the 2017-2018 budget to replace the other broken blower at the plant.

A motion was made by Trustee Pettibone and seconded by Trustee Linthicum to ratify the purchase authorized by Administrator Hemmer of a remanufactured blower for \$5,778 from Powered Equipment Repair, Inc. for the wastewater treatment facility.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

EMS Care Report  
Software Update

The EMS Department's care reporting software is required to be NEMSIS (National EMS Information System) 3 compliant by December 1, 2016. Tri-Tech, the current EMS Services care report software vendor, was working toward this compliancy with a newer version; but on August 3, 2016, EMS Director Gilbert received notice that Tri-Tech is suspending its work on the new version of the software. Therefore, the EMS must switch vendors to remain complaint. Mr. Gilbert has reached out to various vendors and discussed this situation with Andres Medical Billing (AMB), the Village's new billing provider. Shifting to a platform that works well with AMB and will have longevity is the preferred option. Additionally, there is the possibility that AMB can "finance" the cost of the new system if we so desire. This would be in the form of an additional percentage amount added to their monthly collection fee. Over the next few weeks, a number of vendors will be reviewed. However, a new company will required a 7-9 week start-up timeframe which means we will have to decide by the September 19 regular meeting. This quick turnaround may mean a suspension of the bidding process.

Part-time EMT:  
Darren Isaacs

A motion was made by Trustee Linthicum and seconded by Trustee Mavrogeorge to approve the hiring of Darren Isaacs as a part-time EMT with the New Baden Ambulance Service.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

Part-time Paramedic:  
Samantha Harvell

A motion was made by Trustee Mavrogeorge and seconded by Trustee Pettibone to approve the hiring of Samantha Harvell as a part-time paramedic with the New Baden Ambulance Service. Ms. Harvell will require approval by Memorial Hospital before she can be scheduled.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

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New Baden Lions  
Club Signage

The New Baden Lions Club desires to move their informational signs closer to the "Welcome to New Baden" signs. One of the signs is on the west end of town on private property and the other is in front of the Legion Memorial Swimming Pool. The Lions Club will need a sign permit issued by Chief Building & Zoning Official Green. The request at this meeting is to obtain permission from the Board to locate the new sign similarly to where the New Baden Jaycee's sign is located on the Park property at the "Welcome" sign. Discussion centered on the placement of too many signs surrounding the "welcome" sign and the possibility of a future structure built to house all New Baden organization signs.

A motion was made by Trustee Linthicum and seconded by Trustee Pettibone to approve the placement of the Lions Club signs near the Village of New Baden "Welcome" sign pending approval from Chief Building & Zoning Official Green.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried.

There being no further business to be brought before the Village Board, a motion was made by Trustee Linthicum and seconded by Trustee Mavrogeorge to adjourn the meeting.

**Ayes:** Malina, Linthicum, Mavrogeorge, Pettibone.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Oster.

A majority of the Board voting aye, the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Teri L Crane, Village Clerk  
Approved: September 6, 2016