

**Village of New Berlin Minutes**  
**Village of Trustees Meeting, Town Hall**  
**Sept. 19, 2007**

President Steve Frank called the Village of New Berlin Trustees meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. on Sept. 19, 2007 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 (arrived at 7:35 p.m.) and Curt Stephens; Village Clerk Deborah Lakamp and Attorney John Myers.

**ABSENT:** None

**AUDIENCE:** Building Inspector Paul Sweet, Water and Sewer Superintendent Tim Bliss, and Public Works Superintendent William Poole.

**MOTION:** To waive the reading of the meeting minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To amend and approve the Aug. 15 Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Aug. 15 Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Sours

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Aug. 22 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Sours

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Aug. 22 Special Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Hatfield

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Aug. 27 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To approve the Aug. 27 Special Executive Session Board Meeting Minutes.

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

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Trustee Stephens reported that a Certificate of Deposit for the Water Fund and a Certificate of Deposit for the Sewer Fund were both coming due in October. Both CD’s will be renewed. He indicated the written Treasurer’s Report looked acceptable.

**MOTION:** To accept the Treasurer’s Report.

Moved by: Trustee Kuehl  
Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield  
Motion carries unanimously.

**VILLAGE CLERK:** No Report

**POLICE REPORT:** Chief Terry Nydygger reported 25 traffic stops were made in August. He requested approval to purchase a new squad car and a taser. He also submitted a hiring request for a part-time officer.

**AUDIENCE:** Brett Christy addressed the Trustees regarding concerns about tickets received for his dogs running loose and the denial of a fencing permit. Jeff Richardson, owner of Capone’s, shared with the Trustees his future plans to build an outdoor patio/dining area.

**TIF DISTRICT:**

**MOTION:** To pass an Ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a TIF District Redevelopment Agreement between the Village of New Berlin and Madison Center, LLC.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens  
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

**MOTION:** To accept Cloyd Homes, Inc. bid of \$6,217 to be taken from TIF District Funds to make repairs on the Town Hall.

Moved by: Trustee Sours  
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

**COMMITTEES:**

**UTILITIES:** Trustee Sander reported the Utilities Committee met on Sept. 12 and reviewed water rates. The committee recommended increasing water rates, establishing a water rate minimum and raising bulk water rates.

The Trustees discussed how much it would cost to run a water line to Loami that could connect to Chatham’s water line thus allowing New Berlin to purchase water from Chatham. The Trustees agreed rough engineering estimates were needed to determine cost of this plan.

**MOTION:** To accept recommendations of the committee.

Moved by: Trustee Hatfield

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously.

Water and Sewer Superintendent Bliss reported the Village reservoir is down 53 inches. Required contact and chlorine notices have been mailed to Village residents.

**ZONING:** Building Inspector Paul Sweet gave an update on permit applications, shared suggestions for improving the building permit process and gave the Trustees his verbal resignation as building inspector. He will work until the end of the year or until another person accepts the position. Trustee Kuehl will schedule a committee meeting to review suggestions for improvements in the building permit process.

**MOTION:** To approve revisions of Lot 2 in the King Minor Subdivision.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

**STREETS & PARKS:**

**MOTION:** To purchase a new snowplow truck, bed, plow and spreader per bid of \$77,523.

Moved by: Trustee Krall

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
------------	-----------

Sander—Yes  
Krall—Yes

Hatfield—Yes  
Stephens—Yes

**FINANCE:**

**MOTION:** To pay the bills.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Sander

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours —Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

**HEALTH & SAFETY**

Trustees Sours conveyed the policy on police at high school games is that the school pays the officer directly and the officer can be in uniform. The committee does not recommend extending bar hours during the county fair. The request to hire another part-time officer is to be reviewed by the Personnel Committee.

**MOTION:** To lease for 5-years a new squad car for \$18,843.46.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours —Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

**MOTION:** To purchase a taser with darts for \$1,245.

Moved by: Trustee Sours

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours —Yes

Kuehl—Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield—Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

**PERSONNEL:**

Trustee Hatfield reported all employees signed up for health insurance, which will be effective Oct. 1, 2007.

**MOTION:** To pass Ordinance 07-13 electing to participate in the State of Illinois Local Government Health Plan.

Moved by: Trustee Hatfield

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

**MOTION:** To pass Ordinance 07-14 amending provisions of the Personnel Code pertaining to medical insurance.

Moved by: Trustee Hatfield  
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
Motion on a roll call vote carries unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl—Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield—Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MOTION:** Halloween Trick or Treat Night will be 4-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2007.

Moved by: Trustee Sander  
Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl  
Motion carries unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**LIQUEOR:** None

**MOTION:** To adjourn.

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

**Village of New Berlin Special Board Meeting  
Oct. 3, 2007, Village Hall**

President Steve Frank called the Special Board Meeting of the Village of New Berlin Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 3, 2007 at the Village Hall. He stated the purpose of the meeting was to deal with water issues. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and roll taken.

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

**ABSENT:** None

**AUDIENCE:** Ed DeGroot, Benton & Associates, Water and Sewer Superintendent Tim Bliss, and Public Works Superintendent William Poole.

President Frank shared a letter from Attorney John Myers with the Trustees that explained as the attorney of record for the Village of New Berlin, Loami and Chatham he had a conflict of interest as New Berlin sought to negotiate and possibly enter into a contract for water with one of the other municipalities. President Frank indicated the Village Board could consent to the conflict of interest or seek other counsel.

**MOTION:** To consent to the conflict of interest of Attorney John Myers in representing Chatham, Loami and New Berlin in regards to water negotiations.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours—Yes

Kuehl-- Yes

Sander—Yes

Hatfield--Yes

Krall—Yes

Stephens—Yes

Water and Sewer Superintendent Bliss handed out rough estimates of the costs to connect to water with Chatham from Greene & Bradford, Inc. and Benton & Associates, which the Trustees reviewed and discussed.

**MOTION:** Pursue a Letter of Intent to enter into an intergovernmental agreement between Chatham, Loami and New Berlin to purchase water.

Moved by: Trustee Stephens

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl-- Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield--Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Yes

Attorney Myers was directed to send a letter to Curran-Gardner indicating the Village of New Berlin would be pursuing a water purchase agreement with the Village of Chatham.

A Water Rates Hearing was scheduled for 7 p.m. on Nov. 7, 2007 at the New Berlin Town Hall.

**PERSONNEL:**

**MOTION:** To keep the part-time position part-time.

Moved by: Trustee Hatfield

Seconded by: Trustee Kuehl

Motion carries unanimously on a roll call vote.

Roll call vote:

Sours –Yes	Kuehl-- Yes
Sander—Yes	Hatfield--Yes
Krall—Yes	Stephens—Recluses Self

**HEALTH & SAFETY:**

President Frank explained that Sangamon County had a multi-jurisdictional mitigation plan regarding the tornado damage for FEMA. The Village of New Berlin will be represented by Chief Terry Nydygger at meetings.

**MOTION:** To Adopt the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Resolution.

Moved by: Trustee Kuehl

Seconded by: Trustee Hatfield

Motion carries unanimously.

**MOTION:** To adjourn.

Moved by: Trustee Sander

Seconded by: Trustee Sours

Motion carries unanimously.

The meeting adjourns at 8:49 p.m.