



Village of Bourbonnais
Public Hearing before the Corporate Authorities
-Minutes-

October 15, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order** - Village President Paul Schore called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call** - Village Clerk Brian Simeur called roll with the following Trustees present: Trustee Gary Residori, Trustee Vera Amiano, Trustee Bruce Greenlee and Trustee Rick Fischer. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Gregg Spathis, Village Attorney Pat Dunn and Village Treasurer Ron Riebe. Trustee Scott Byrne arrived at 5:36 p.m and Trustee Wayne Baranowski was absent.
- III. **Signing of attendance sheet:**
 - Mayor Schore asked all in attendance, including the board to please sign in.
- IV. **Public Hearing- Residential Aggregation For Electric Rates-**

Larry Shover, a consultant from NIMEC gave an overview of the process. He went on to say that a majority vote on November 6, 2012 would authorize the village to look into alternative electric providers and to determine whether it is the right thing for the village residents. The village does not have to create this program if the rates aren't favorable for the residents.

Mr. Shover suggested that the village make sure that the residents can opt out without a penalty. He also said that the agreement should include a price match clause so that residents don't have to do anything if Com Ed offers a lower rate.
- V. **Mayor's Explanation of need for project-** Mayor Schore said that this will allow residents to save on the electric rates but they can opt out if they so desire.
- VI. **Public Comments-** Jeff Keast of 59 Hilltop in Bourbonnais asked if the village residents would be notified if the Com Ed electric rate was to drop below the rates that the village agreed to with the aggregation company and what their options would be in the event this happens.

Mr. Shover and Mayor Schore reiterated that the agreement that is made with the aggregation company would need to include a rate match and/or opt out clause to protect residents in cases like this.

VII. Adjournment- A motion was made by Trustee Residori, seconded by Trustee Byrne to adjourn the Public Hearing. Motion passed on a voice vote of 5-0. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Brian Simeur, Village Clerk