

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2019

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Lewein, Ragonese, Edgar, Schaefer, Hildenbrand, Schuettke, and Stalewski.

PUBLIC HEARING

No report.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer, to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, September 16, 2019.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hildenbrand, Lewein, Ragonese, Schaefer, Schuettke, Edgar and Stalewski.

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON RICHARD LEWEIN.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the awarding of the Street Improvement Project on Miller Park Way north of West Lincoln Avenue to Zenith Tech, Inc. in the amount of \$178,676.55 contingent upon a permanent and temporary construction easement by Greywolf.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Lewein, Schaefer, and Stalewski.

The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the “identifying signage” price quote from Tapco at the new court office in the West Milwaukee Community Centre’.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Lewein, and Stalewski.

Nay: Schaefer.

The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein tabled the agenda item of “handle and lock installation” for the new court office in the Community Centre’ for further discussion.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the firehouse emergency roof repair cost estimate.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lewein, Schaefer, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Edgar, Schuettke, and Stalewski.

The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 2020-2021 agreement for information technology services with West Allis.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Schaefer, Lewein, and Stalewski.
The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the commercial vouchers 26988-27061 dated September 17, 2019 to October 7, 2019 in the amount of \$163,242.60.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Schaefer, Lewein, and Stalewski.
The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildebrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the bi-weekly payroll dated September 27, 2019 in the amount of \$110,347.32.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Schaefer, Lewein, and Stalewski.
The motion carried.

Chairperson Lewein moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand to approve the August 2019 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Lewein, Schaefer, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Schuettke, and Stalewski.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JANE EDGAR

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON STEVEN SCHUETTKE

Chairperson Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Lewein to approve the use of MMSD 2019 Green Solutions project money for tree replacement.

Trustee Ragonese asked if this was a bid process. Superintendent Stenzel said that it was.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schaefer, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Lewein, Schuettke, and Stalewski.

LICENSES, ZONING, PARKS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON CRAIG SCHAEFER

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve the Beverage Operators licenses for Paul L. Jackson Jr. and Jeffrey D. Lombard.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schaefer, Edgar, Ragonese, Hildenbrand, Lewein, Schuettke, and Stalewski.

Chairperson Schaefer added that the new court office window had been installed but the door would have to be replaced due to poor fit. Superintendent Stenzel added that the door also had an extra hole by the handle. The contractor has already ordered a new door which is on the way.

HEALTH, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Chairperson Ragonese stated that there would be flu shots at the Community Centre' on October 8th. He also stated that the new Health Commissioner of the West Allis Health Department would be at the next Village Board meeting.

President Stalewski asked if there was a \$30 charge for the employee flu shots. Administrator Egan stated that Administrative Assistant Vlaj had contacted the West Allis health department and that the Trustees should not have to be charged \$30, and employees should be free at the employee flu clinic.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON MARIEL HILDENBRAND

Chairperson Hildenbrand stated that there was a household hazardous waste collection event at State Fair this weekend on October 11th from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and October 12th from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

President Stalewski asked if the household hazardous waste drop-off on Lincoln Avenue was available for regular use. Superintendent Stenzel stated that he believed it was.

Chairperson Hildenbrand stated that the fall newsletter was almost complete and on-track for publication.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to approve the "Resolution Authorizing the Participation of the Village of West Milwaukee in the Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Team Agreement" (Resolution No. 10-R-19).

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Hildenbrand, Lewein, Schaefer, and Stalewski.
The motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski stated that the Village would like to continue its discussion with the Milwaukee Brewers regarding the potential renaming of Miller Park Way. Trustee Lewein stated that he had thought the consensus of the last discussion on the topic was to not change the name, and he asked if the Brewers were not in favor of this consensus. President Stalewski stated that the Brewers wanted to help the Village change the name of Miller Park Way to something not related to the stadium name.

Trustee Ragonese stated that he did not have an issue with renaming the street but did not entirely agree with changing a street name only because the Brewers asked. Trustee Schaefer asked if there was financial backing driving this.

Administrator Egan stated that she had emailed the Brewers' general counsel after the last Village Board meeting and informed them that the Village Board did not have much interest in renaming the street. The general counsel responded saying that the renaming of Miller Park Way was very important to them, and they would really like to reach out to the board. They also added that they would pay for everything involved. Trustee Lewein asked if the costs would only include the renaming of the street or if it would also include reimbursing businesses along Miller Park Way.

President Stalewski stated that the Brewers were not telling the Village to rename Miller Park Way, but were instead asking. President Stalewski added that if Miller Park Way would be renamed, the Brewers would mention throughout media that the Village was participating.

Trustee Schaefer asked what the process had been when Miller Park Way had first been named. President Stalewski stated that he did not know, but added that former Village President Ron Hayward could be asked. Trustee Schaefer stated that it would be good to know if it was just a board decision or if it was more of a community effort.

Administrator Egan stated that she would put the discussion on the next agenda for a vote.

WMCDA REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer canceled the WMCDA meeting scheduled for Monday, October 28th.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Superintendent Stenzel stated that 3 traffic signals knocked down in the Village. There was also an oil spill from scrappers drilling holes in an oil drum on 55th and Lapham in the alley, as well as multiple other locations. DPW used 13 bags of oil dry to soak up the oil, and a street sweeper was brought out to clean the affected areas. The police took a report, and the person who caused the oil spill was charged for materials and the time and equipment DPW used to clean up. There were also some problems with street lighting.

Trustee Schuettke asked if the person was also fined for the oil spill. Superintendent Stenzel stated that they were not fined since they admitted to the spill.

Police Chief Nasci stated that there were three (3) individuals left in the hiring process. One of them is not yet certified, so he would have to go to the academy if approved. Another hire is in their third week of field training.

Chief Nasci stated that Assistant Chief Richard Durica would be reaching his 30th year with the Village and that he suspected he may be retiring soon. Chief Nasci that he would possibly retire in the next few years or so, and in order to have a smooth transition following retirements, various training would have to take place within the police department.

Trustee Schuettke asked if the staff otherwise seemed stable. Chief Nasci said yes, but that the Assistant Chief would likely retire. Administrator Egan added that a dispatcher would also likely be retiring soon.

Trustee Ragonese asked if there were any updates on the cameras. Chief Nasci stated that the servers were in the basement, but when the installation was to take place, the installer did not have the server rack.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Egan stated that there was a Comprehensive Plan Open House on October 8th. Following the open house, there would be a joint meeting between the Plan Commission and WMCDA, and Vandewalle would be presenting at the meeting. The meeting would cover signage at Best Western, plan of operations and signage at Skechers, signage at Hilti, and plan review occupancy for a new addition to a building at 4717 West National Avenue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, October 8th at 5:00 p.m. Comprehensive Plan Open House
Tuesday, October 8th at 6:00 p.m. Joint Plan Commission and WMCDA Meeting
Monday, October 21st at 6:00 p.m. Committee Meeting
Monday, October 21st at 7:00 p.m. Village Board Meeting
Monday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m. Joint Plan Commission and Village Board Meeting, Public Hearing

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to adjourn. Time 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maggie Vlaj
Administrative Assistant