

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:12p.m and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Edgar, Greenfield, Hildenbrand, Ragonese, Stalewski

Excused: Schaefer

Absent: LaMack

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Edgar, seconded by Trustee Greenfield, to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, August 16, 2021.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Edgar, Hildenbrand, Greenfield, Stalewski

Excused: Schaefer

Absent: LaMack

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 2022-2025 contract for West Allis IT services.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Greenfield, Edgar, Hildenbrand, Stalewski

Excused: Schaefer

Absent: LaMack

The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese stated that item b. Consideration and possible action based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding the 2021-2022 Milwaukee County Federated Library System (MCFLS) contract amendment and item c. Consideration and possible action based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding the West Allis Health Services agreement will be held in committee until further information is received.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to pass "A Resolution to Accept the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Funds and Establish a Special Revenue Account" (11-R-21)

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hildenbrand, Ragonese, Edgar, Greenfield, Stalewski

Excused: Schaefer

Absent: LaMack

The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 2022 salary increase of 2.75% for Judge Jodi Sanfelippo.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Edgar, Greenfield, Hildenbrand, Stalewski

Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the 2022 pooled salary increase of 2.75% for the Village staff. The 2.75% pool will be dispersed by department heads dependent on reviews by 0-4%. Some newly hired staff will receive step-pay increases.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Edgar, Ragonese, Greenfield, Hildenbrand, Stalewski
Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve commercial vouchers dated August 17, 2021 through and including September 7, 2021 checks numbered 29589-29660 in the amount of \$346,068.25.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Greenfield, Hildenbrand, Ragonese, Edgar, Stalewski
Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the biweekly payroll dated August 27, 2021 in the amount of \$114,015.28.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Edgar, Greenfield, Hildenbrand, Ragonese, Stalewski
Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hildenbrand to approve the June 2021 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:
Ayes: Hildenbrand, Ragonese, Edgar, Greenfield, Stalewski
Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON ADRIANNA LAMACK
No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON DOMINIC GREENFIELD
No report.

LICENSES, ZONING, PARKS AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON CRAIG SCHAEFER
Chairperson Schaefer is excused.

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield, to approve the Beverage Operator License applications for Ashley Starszak.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Edgar, Hildenbrand, Greenfield, Stalewski
Excused: Schaefer
Absent: LaMack
The motion carried

HEALTH, HOUSING, SOCIAL SERVICES AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JANE EDGAR

Chairperson Edgar stated there was a Board of Health meeting on August 26, 2021. The highest increase of COVID-19 infections is within the 20-65 age range. The percentage of the population fully-vaccinated in West Milwaukee is 47%, West Allis 53%, Milwaukee County 48.6% and in Wisconsin 51%. In an incentive to increase vaccinations, six-hundred (600) people received free admission to the state fair after receiving their first vaccine dose. Governor Evers recently approved a \$100 Visa card incentive for vaccines. Flu shots will be given at the West Milwaukee Community Center in October.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON MARIEL HILDENBRAND

No Report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

No Report.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski reported that National Night Out had great participation from the Lion's Club and Village Board Trustees. Trustees Edgar, Greenfield and Ragonese attended. The deadline for Fall Newsletter submissions is Friday, September 10th. President Stalewski recommended that library access, vaccinations and flu shots be highlighted in the newsletter.

WMCDA REPORT

No Report.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

Chief Nasci reported that two (2) applications were received for the Community Service Officer (CSO) position. The dispatch position has been reposted in anticipation that there will be an opening this year. National Night Out had good attendance for a holiday weekend. The department is planning to do Shop with a Cop this year.

Chief Nasci explained there was an armed home invasion off of 54th Street. The residents were home during the incursion. The car involved was a recovered stolen vehicle. The suspects climbed through an open window of the house. The suspects were confronted by someone in the home, a struggle entailed and a round was fired. No one was injured. The department is working to try and identify the suspects. Trustee Ragonese asked if the home invasion was random. Chief Nasci stated it was random. It occurred around 4:00 a.m. Trustee Ragonese asked if a camera on Beloit Rd. could have been beneficial in identifying suspects. Chief Nasci is unsure, there were no plates on the vehicle. Chief Nasci also stated there has been an uptick in vehicle pursuits.

Additionally, there was a vehicle found in the Fairfield Hotel parking lot with ten (10) bullet holes. The shots were not fired in West Milwaukee, it was involved in a running gun battle in the city. Also, West Milwaukee detectives will be sent as part of a county wide team to investigate four (4) recent officer involved shootings outside of West Milwaukee.

Two new part-time dispatchers are currently in the training process.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Egan reported the 2022 court dates are included in the front of the packet. New iPads are being distributed to the elected. Trustees can return their old iPads or keep them for \$50. Administrator Egan and Administrative Assistant, Kayla Fitzgerald attended the Beatification Committee's first meeting and helped submit a \$1,000 grant for bird and butterfly houses for the two parks.

GE is starting to move on plans, another meeting is anticipated for the end of September. They have submitted plan documents for the Interstate Partners building on Electric Avenue, which will be on the next Plan Commission meeting. The plans are only for minor exterior modifications. Modifications and additional building planning documents for the building on the GE campus will be submitted to the Plan Commission in the future.

The Village was issued a MS Permit from the DNR. It is an order to have a municipal storm sewer system. The permit is good for five (5) years and expires this year. A new permit for the next five (5) years will need to be submitted. It is a complicated permitting process and specifically requires public education outreach programs. Articles will be added to the website and newsletter. The group may present at a future board meeting.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

Trustee Hildenbrand asked if the board would like to take a picture in front of the new sign. The board agreed. It was suggested that it could be used for the upcoming Go Local Ad.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 14th at 7:00pm.....Plan Commission Meeting
Monday, September 20th at 7:00pm.....Village Board Meeting
Monday, September 27th at 7:00pm.....WMCDA Meeting

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield to adjourn. Time 7:36p.m.

Voice vote.

The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kayla Fitzgerald
Administrator Assistant