

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2022

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:20p.m and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Stalewski

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Stalewski

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the purchase of a 2022 Salt Spreader and Anti-Icing Unit at a cost of \$88,446.00.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Edgar, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Stalewski

Nay: Schaefer

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the purchase of a 2022 Gravely Zero Turn Lawn Mower at a cost of \$7,011.00.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Stalewski

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the commercial vouchers dated January 13, 2022 through and including January 17, 2022 checks numbered 30144-30220 in the amount of \$128,554.99.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Stalewski

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the biweekly payroll dated January 14, 2022 in the amount of \$121,730.48.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Stalewski

The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON SCHUETTKE

No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON DOMINIC GREENFIELD

No Report.

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

Trustee Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve the Grade 2 Refuse Hauler Renewal Application for Sorce Services, LLC.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Stalewski

The motion carried.

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

No Report.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON TODD HILL

No Report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield to approve a “Resolution In Opposition To Bill 610 (AB 610) That Limits Information Available To Assessors To Determine Fair Market Value And Limits Information To Property Owners To Challenge Their Assessment” (03-R-22)

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Stalewski

The motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Stalewski posted vacant CDA and Plan Commission positions on his Facebook. He attended the most recent ICC meeting where there was discussion regarding the change in non-profit status of the Milwaukee County Medical Center. Currently, they are trying to restore their tax exempt status although, according to current law the properties in question are not considered tax exempt. If the legislature approves, it could result in the loss of tax revenue from properties within the Village. President Stalewski also explained that a local municipal sales tax is currently not an option due to issues with the USPS recognizing municipalities with zip codes beginning with 532 as separate entities from the city of Milwaukee.

WMCDA REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer reported the CDA is still looking for members, there are currently three (3) open positions.

Trustee Schaefer and President Stalewski agreed there should be an article in the newsletter regarding the openings.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

DPW Foreman, Jason Jourdan reported there was a pole knocked down on 38th and Scott. The car that hit the pole also hit a house. He explained that DPW attended a training course with Wallace Tree Removal regarding proper tree trimming techniques and safety measures. He also reported, rodent issues have been on the decline. Lastly, on the 1600 block of 52nd St. two (2) chickens were discovered in tip carts during garbage pickup. DPW was able to capture one chicken and bring it to MADACC but the other chicken flew away and has not been located.

Chief Nasci reported there was a homicide behind 3939 W. National Ave. The victim was a 14 year old village resident. The department is currently investigating the situation. Additionally, vehicle thefts have not slowed down in the Village. The three police officer candidates are in week two (2) of the academy. The open dispatch position has also been reposted.

President Stalewski mentioned that a garage near the homicide scene was defaced with spray-paint. Chief Nasci explained that the department has contacted the property owner but has not heard back.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Egan requested that all newsletter submissions be submitted to Administrative Assistant, Kayla Fitzgerald. DPW is in contact with We Energies to schedule the work to run power to the area of the proposed new gateway sign and camera location. The Village Engineer was sent the information to begin the bid process for the new gateway sign.

West Milwaukee Park is not on the 2022 Milwaukee County Parks Beer Garden schedule however, they suggested the Village host a pop up beer garden. A Tourism Commission meeting will be scheduled to discuss potential dates and suggestions on ways the pop up can be supported. Administrator Egan reached out to the “Chill on the Hill” group regarding their events held in Milwaukee County Parks but she has not heard back.

The West Allis Health Department will be distributing approximately 5,000 N95 masks to West Milwaukee. A portion of the masks will be distributed to the Police Department, DPW and the Dona Lexa art program. The rest will be distributed to West Milwaukee residents. The masks will be left in the lobby for residents and can also be added to the website. The West Allis Health Department will also be distributing N95 masks.

The Plan Commission has recommended a PUD Overlay on two (2) parcels at 4425 W. Mitchell to the Village Board. There is a proposal for two (2) businesses; Peradot Construction and Stomper Concrete. On February 21, 2022 there will be a Public Hearing and the Board will review the request and set potential conditions. Administrator Egan added that Stomper Concrete is already located on the property despite not filling out Occupancy Permits. The Village is working with the business owner to complete the necessary paperwork. The Plan Commission also approved a request for solar energy collectors for a property on S. 54th St.

Administrator Egan emailed Trustee Schaefer regarding the Liquor License Policy. The Village Attorney was not available to attend tonight’s Board meeting. She recommended the License Committee consider alternate meeting dates to discuss the amendment of the Liquor License Policy with the Village Attorney.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, January 24th at 6:00pm.....WMCDA Meeting
Monday, February 7th at 7:00pm.....Village Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 8th at 6:00pm.....Plan Commission Meeting

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to adjourn. Time 7:49p.m.

Voice vote.

The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla Fitzgerald
Administrator Assistant