

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2022

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:01p.m and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

President Stalewski opened and introduced the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget public hearing at 7:02p.m.

There were no questions or comments.

The Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Public Hearing was closed at 7:02p.m.

President Stalewski opened and introduced the public hearing to amend Chapter 98 Zoning Ordinance; Article III Zoning Districts; Section 98-53 through 98-57 of the Municipal Code of the Village of West Milwaukee to add under conditional uses ground mounted solar energy collector systems and move roof mounted solar energy collector systems from conditional use to permitted accessory use (Plan Review Required) and add Sec. 98-34 Solar Energy Collector Systems (7-O-22) at 7:03p.m.

Administrator Egan explained the Village Engineer is responsible for reviewing solar panel plans. Additionally, the applicant would also be required to apply for building and electrical permits. The ordinance amendment would streamline the permitting process for solar panel installation. State statutes are restrictive in the conditions that can be set by municipalities for solar panel applications. The ordinance amendment will allow for consistency between residential and commercial solar applications. Applications will still have to go through an approval process.

There were no further questions or comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:08p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

There was a brief discussion regarding a handicap parking spot request, from a resident on 55th Street. While the residence does have a parking slab, there are several stairs located between the house and parking area. The current policy would need to be reviewed and amended to allow for handicap parking space in front of the residence. Currently, the policy does not provide the option for a variance. Trustee Hill suggested that the Village follow ADA guidelines. If the resident comes forward to the Board with her request, they will review the current policy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Hill to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, November 21, 2022.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Hill based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve a "Resolution Determining the Tax Levy" (13-R-22)

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve a "Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the Calendar Year 2023 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan" (14-R-22)

Roll Call:

Ayes: Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, 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 November 22, 2022, through and including December 5, 2022, checks numbered 31305-31353 in the amount of \$85,613.53.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Stalewski
The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the biweekly payroll dated December 2, 2022, in the amount of \$138,865.49.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Stalewski
The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON SCHUETTKE

President Stalewski inquired about updates on traffic calming measures. Trustee Schuettke explained there have been no further discussions and are waiting on further financing information for the Greenfield Ave. reconstruction project.

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 Auto Dealer License application for Variety Auto, Inc.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill, Ragonese, Stalewski
The motion carried.

Trustee Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve the Beverage Operator Licenses applications for Nazar Pinyak and Janean Taylor.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Hill
The motion carried.

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

Trustee Edgar reported there is a Board of Health meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2022.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON TODD HILL

No report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Plan Commission and additional clarification by staff to amend Chapter 98 Zoning Ordinance; Article III Zoning Districts; Section 98-53 through 98-57 of the Municipal Code of the Village of West Milwaukee to add under conditional uses ground mounted

solar energy collector systems and move roof mounted solar energy collector systems from conditional use to permitted accessory use (Plan Review Required) and add Sec. 98-34 Solar Energy Collector Systems. (7-O-22)

Discussion: Trustee Schuettke asked for clarification on applications regarding ground mounted solar energy collectors. President Stalewski clarified ground mounted solar energy collectors would be a conditional use. The ordinance will also be reviewed by the Village attorney before it is codified.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Hill, Ragonese, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Greenfield, Stalewski
The motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski thanked Administrator Egan for her work put into the 2023 Budget. He also reported he and Trustees Schaefer and Ragonese removed historical items from the Malteurop building preceding its demolition. The items were brought to the West Milwaukee Historical Society. Trustee Schaefer plans to bring his ideas to the Tourism Commission to discuss the potential for a project utilizing a stone frieze that was located inside the building, statues and medallions that were on the property. Trustee Ragonese added the frieze is large and heavy and a project of this type would likely take a few years to complete requiring a location for storage.

President Stalewski, Trustee Schuettke and Administrator Egan attended a virtual DOT meeting for elected officials regarding the I94 East West reconstruction project. President Stalewski voiced concerns regarding the elimination of the Hawley Road ramps and how it might affect traffic in the Village. There was also discussion regarding traffic in the Village that would result from multiple projects in the area that will occur at the same time, Greenfield Ave. reconstruction, National Ave reconstruction and the I94 East West project.

WMCDA REPORT

Trustee Schaefer reported, there will be no December CDA meeting. The Joint Review Board is meeting on Tuesday, December 13th at 12:00p.m. Trustee Schaefer noticed that the Interstate Partners building is for lease. Administrator Egan will follow up with Interstate Partners for an update.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

There were no department heads present. Administrator Egan reported that three (3) of the cameras were mounted along Miller Park Way at Greenfield, Mitchell and Burnham. The remaining cameras and antennas will be mounted on Wednesday.

Shop with a Cop will take place on Friday, December 9th from 5-9p.m.

President Stalewski inquired about the new tax software. Administrator Egan stated there was a test today, there were some minor glitches that they had to work through.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Egan noted the first Village Board meeting is on a holiday, and suggested a discussion to reschedule to Tuesday, January 3rd. The Tourism Commission is hoping to meet Monday December 12th at 4p.m. if a quorum is possible. It was requested that Tourism Commission members let Administrative Assistant, Kayla Fitzgerald know if they can attend.

Eleven dispatch candidates are scheduled to attend testing this Saturday. Interviews will be held immediately following to expedite the hiring process. Additionally, three (3) officer candidates tested this past Saturday. The 2023 tree planting bids were opened on December 14th and will be on the next agenda.

The Village received notification that no additional funding was received for the Greenfield Avenue reconstruction project. Administrator Egan explained that 2600 applications were received for funding and only seven (7) were awarded. Village Engineer, Len Roecker will be at the next meeting to discuss the cost and potential alternatives.

Scooters and Taco Johns are close to grand openings. There has been one (1) complaint regarding dust from the demolition at Malteurop but, they have called multiple outlets including the Village, Wisconsin DNR, City of

Milwaukee Health Department, West Allis Health Department, and the media. The DNR and Health Department have been on site and do not have any concerns. Asbestos experts from New Berlin Grading and the DNR are on site and any questions can be directed to Administrator Egan or the City of Milwaukee Health Department.

The Police Union called and requested a meeting to exchange contract proposals. Once received, Administrator Egan will work with Chairperson Hill of the Personnel Committee to schedule a meeting. President Stalewski asked about what will happen if the Police Union requests more than the Village budgeted. Administrator Egan explained negotiations, a budget amendment or other alternatives are a possibility. Once the proposal is received the Village will have a better idea of the next steps.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

Trustee Edgar requested alternatives to the landfill for unrecyclable materials such as electronics and batteries. Trustee Schuettke informed Trustee Edgar of hazardous waste drop off event at State Fair Park. Trustee Schaefer suggested the dump on 35th and Lincoln. There was confusion as to whether this lot can be used by West Milwaukee residents, as it is in the City of Milwaukee. Trustee Edgar requested that this information be more accessible via the website or newsletter. Administrator Egan explained that she will do some research and information can be put on the website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, December 13th at 12:00pm..... Joint Review Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 13th at 6:00pm.....Plan Commission Meeting
Monday, December 19th at 7:00pm.Village Board Meeting
~~Monday, December 26th at 6:00pm.....WMCDA Meeting~~

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to adjourn. Time 7:29p.m.

Voice vote.
The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla Fitzgerald, Administrator Assistant