

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2023

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:00p.m and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Hill, Stalewski

Excused: Greenfield

PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearing.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, January 16, 2023.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to allow for police academy tuition reimbursement for students hired as full-time police officers per Chief Nasci's request letter.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the commercial vouchers dated January 17, 2023, through and including February 6, 2023, checks numbered 31522-31605 in the amount of \$225,599.52.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the biweekly payroll dated January 27, 2023, in the amount of \$106,846.94.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON SCHUETTKE

Chairperson Schuettke reported that the Public Safety Committee met to discuss traffic calming initiatives in the Village and is exploring funding opportunities through Tax Increment District (TID) 2. Direction was given to have Village Engineer, Len Roecker contacts the City of Milwaukee to inquire about traffic calming partnerships along 38th Street, as it is a shared road. Speed table and speed hump specifications were also discussed resulting in a consensus that 15mph speed humps would be most effective. The three (3) Committee members were also directed to submit a Village map with potential locations for future speed calming measures. The Committee also directed Len Roecker to review the potential installation of four (4) speed humps,

two (2) on 40th Street and (2) on W. Scott St. Chief Nasci pulled accident data for the area surrounding 38th and Scott Streets, following resident speed complaints in the area. Trustee Schaefer noted that while there may not have been as many accidents as the resident originally reported, there was a concentration of accidents in the area.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON DOMINIC GREENFIELD

No report.

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

No report.

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

Trustee Edgar reported that the Board of Health met on January 26th. The Board reviewed the 2022 Annual Communicable Diseases Report and discussed maintaining its National Health Accreditation Board membership. Our community was the first in the country to achieve accreditation. The COVID-19 emergency declaration is ending soon, the Board of Health has enough funds to last through 2023. Governor Evers announced in his budget that he is investing \$500 million dollars to make 2023 the year of mental health in Wisconsin. The West Allis/ West Milwaukee Health Commissioner, Robert Leischow was again appointed to the Governor's Public Health Council.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON TODD HILL

Trustee Hill reported that there is a Personnel Committee Meeting set for February 22, 2023, regarding the Police Union Bargaining Agreement.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve an "Ordinance to Amend Chapter 66 - Signs; Sec. 66-13 Sign Ordinance Waivers" (01-O-23)

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve a "Resolution Amending the Fee Schedule for the Village of West Milwaukee" (04-R-23)

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to appoint Lance Johnson to the Tourism Commission.

Discussion: Lance Johnson is the General Manager of the Fairfield Inn and Suites. President Stalewski stated that the General Manager at the Best Western, Tim Zapel is also interested in participating, even as a non-voting member. Trustee Schuettke asked if there is anything that would prevent having representation of both hotels on the Commission. Administrator Egan explained that state statute requires at least one (1) hotel member to be on the Commission. If amended, one of the elected would likely have to be eliminated. Administrative Assistant Kayla Fitzgerald noted, Tim Zapel emailed stating that there is no reason for him to attend the meetings if he is not a voting member. President Stalewski stated that we can look at the state statute to see if it can be amended to allow for an additional hotel member while maintaining the current number of elected. Trustee Schaefer noted that hotel representative attendance has been lacking in the past.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Greenfield

The motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski reported that he and Administrator Egan plan to meet with Congresswoman Gwen Moore within the upcoming weeks.

West Milwaukee Community Development Authority (WMCDA) REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer reported there as a West Milwaukee Community Development Authority (WMCDA) meeting in January. The WMCDA reviewed the Joint Review’s Board examination of the Tax Increment Districts (TID). There was discussion regarding the potential for using TID funding for traffic calming measures. It was determined that it is possible to use TID 2 funding for traffic calming measures however, not Environment Remediation (ER) TID 1.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

None.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Egan reviewed document number two (2) in the packet. She explained that notification was received from Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewer District (MMSD) regarding a non-compliant watershed in the Village. During heavy rains, peak flows are change due to storm water mixing with sanitary. The watershed includes much of the new development on Miller Park Way from Menards, south towards Milwaukee. The watershed also includes the City of Milwaukee and West Allis. Much of the area consists of brand-new developments with updated plumbing, except the General Electric (GE) property. The Village met with MMSD and requested that additional flow monitors are put on Miller Park Way and near GE so it can be determined if either of those areas are contributing to the overflows. The response letter to MMSD requesting more research on where the flows are coming from will be in the next packet. It is unknown if commercial or residential properties are causing the overflows. Trustee Schaefer asked if the overflow could be a result of the water being sprayed for the demolition of Froedtert Malt. Administrator Egan noted that the studies have been done over the past couple years. There is a map depicting the watersheds listed in number two (2) of the packet. Additionally, MMSD reviewed and approved the storm water retention planning documents for the new developments on Miller Park Way.

MADACC will offer free microchips for all animals reclaimed and half price spay or neuter procedures for cats and dogs. Additionally, they will give police departments microchip scanners. The newsletter deadline is February 17, 2023, and requested any articles or information be sent to Administrative Assistant, Kayla Fitzgerald. The Police Department has filled one of the full-time dispatch positions.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

Trustee Edgar asked who will be featured in the upcoming newsletter. Trustee Greenfield will be featured in the spring 2023 edition.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, February 14th at 6:00pm.....Plan Commission Meeting
Monday, February 20th at 7:00pm. Village Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 22nd at 1:00pm.....Personnel Committee Meeting (Closed Session)
Monday, February 27th at 6:00pm.....WMCDA Meeting

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to adjourn. Time 7:25p.m.

Voice vote.
The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla Fitzgerald, Administrator Assistant