

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2024

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, February 5, 2024.

Roll Call:

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

Present: Edgar

The motion carried.

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Hill to approve the Special Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, January 29, 2024.

Roll Call:

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

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 approve the commercial vouchers dated February 14, 2024, through and including February 19, 2024, checks numbered 32938-32995 in the amount of \$159,364.41.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ragonese, Hill, Greenfield, 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 biweekly payroll dated February 9, 2024, in the amount of \$130,389.16.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON SCHUETTKE

Trustee Schuettke reported that the Village and City of Milwaukee are making amendments to the cost-sharing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for traffic calming construction on South 38<sup>th</sup> Street. The City of Milwaukee will bid the speed hump project as part of larger City of Milwaukee traffic calming initiatives, which should result in cost savings for the Village. The revised MOU will be reviewed by Administrator Egan, Village Engineer Len Roecker and Village Attorney Stan Riffle before coming back before the board for approval.

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 Ragonese to approve the Application for a License to Serve Fermented Malt Beverages and Intoxicating Liquors for Rashmil Patel and Tarunkumar Patel.

Discussion: Trustee Schaefer inquired about a past violation for applicant, Tarunkumar Patel. Chief Nasci noted the violation and explained that the application could still be approved with such a violation.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

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

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve the agent change for Aldi Inc. d/b/a Aldi Store #85 located at 1740 Miller Park Way to Nicole Jimenez.

Discussion: Trustee Schuettke inquired about the purpose of an agent. Trustee Schaefer explained the agent is the main point of contact for retail establishments that sell fermented malt beverages and/or intoxicating liquor.

Roll Call:

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

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

Trustee Edgar reported that the Board of Health is scheduled to meet on Thursday, February 22, 2024.

#### PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON TODD HILL

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke based on the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to revise the Personnel Policy to amend the residence requirement for police and other emergency service personnel to 30 miles from the Village of West Milwaukee corporate boundaries.

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to revise the Personnel Policy to include a section regarding vehicle deductible reimbursement. If an employee or elected's personal vehicle is on Village property and is damaged due to a work-related retaliatory incident, the Village may consider reimbursement for an out-of-pocket deductible, not to exceed \$500.

Discussion: There was a brief discussion regarding whether the amendment should include other personal property, as well. However, there was a consensus to leave the amendment's language, as is.

Roll Call:

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

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

No report.

#### VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski reported that the Lion's Club annual pancake breakfast was Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at Notre Dame school. St. Florian's Fish Fry events have been moved to St. Augustine's at 68<sup>th</sup> and Beecher. Administrator Egan reported there was a Twitter post sent out over the weekend that threatened a mass shooting at the West Milwaukee Walmart. Dispatch received over 200 calls regarding the post. West Milwaukee police patrolled the area and detectives are investigating the threat. President Stalewski reported that the threat was deemed incredible by Assistant Police Chief Randolph.

#### WEST MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (WMCDA) REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer reported that the WMCDA is looking for three (3) commission members.

#### DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

No report.

#### VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Village Administrator Egan reported that information regarding the insurance coverage for public officials is listed in the front of the packet along with Trustee Edgar's board of health meeting notes. Newsletter articles are due Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. The Spring Cleanup is scheduled

for Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. The Plan Commission will meet next week regarding Walmart's exterior alterations and an extension request for a temporary cell tower on the old Malteurop property.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

Trustee Schuettke inquired about the 38<sup>th</sup> Street area traffic calming initiatives. Administrator Egan explained that the City of Milwaukee sent the Village a Memorandum of Understanding. Milwaukee is conducting surveys and public hearings regarding the project. It is anticipated that construction will begin in spring. Village Engineer, Len Roecker and Village Attorney, Stan Riffle will review the Memorandum of Understanding and Administrator Egan will provide an update at the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.....Plan Commission Meeting  
Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.....Village Board Meeting  
Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6: 00p.m.....WMCDA Meeting

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to adjourn. Time 7:41p.m.

Voice vote.  
The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kayla Casto, Administrator Assistant