

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 6, 2024

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

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:01 p.m.

President Stalewski opened and introduced the Public Hearing on the recommendation of the Plan Commission, to consider the petition to rezone the new triangular parcel being added by Certified Survey Map (CSM) to parcel #436-2008-001 located at 4229 W. National Ave. from B-2 General Manufacturing to B-4 High-Rise Office and Professional Business District with a Planned Unit Development Overlay (PUD). (02-O-24) The PUD/CSM is also amending the cross-access easement and adding fencing. There were no questions or comments.

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President Stalewski opened and introduced the Public Hearing on the recommendation of the Plan Commission, to consider the petition for a Planned Unit Development Overlay for parcel #473-1036-000 located at 4855 W. Electric Avenue to allow for a proposed expansion project. (03-O-24) The property is currently zoned Manufacturing M-2.

Mike Rohrer introduced himself as the GE facility site manager and asked the Village Board if he could answer any questions. There were no questions or comments.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, April 15, 2024.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to approve the Special Village Board Meeting minutes for Tuesday, April 16, 2024.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

FINANCE, CLAIMS, AND PURCHASES COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON JOHN RAGONESE

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the commercial vouchers dated April 16, 2024, through and including May 6, 2024, checks numbered 33191-33260 in the amount of \$462,074.84.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the two (2) biweekly payrolls dated April 19, 2024, in the amount of \$126,891.89 and May 6, 2024, in the amount of \$131,318.77.

Roll Call:

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

Chairperson Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to approve the December 2023 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON SCHUETTKE

Chairperson Schuettke inquired about amendments to the traffic calming resolution discussed in the previous Personnel Committee meeting. Administrator Egan stated that the amended resolution will be available for review at the next Village Board meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS, RECYCLING AND UTILITIES COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON DOMINIC GREENFIELD

No report.

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

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke, to approve the new Combination "Class B" Liquor Fermented Malt Beverage License for Mike and Mel's Handlebar, LLC d/b/a Mike and Mel's Handlebar with Melanie Kukis as the agent at 5430 West Burnham St. West Milwaukee, WI 53219. The license is contingent on receiving the occupancy permit.

Discussion: Chairperson Schaefer noted that the previous license holder has already surrendered their license.

Roll Call:

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

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar to approve the agent change for SBG Apple North IV, LLC d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Bar and Grill at 1834 Miller Park Way to Agent, David Alan Oestreich.

Roll Call:

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

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar, to approve the Beverage Operator License applications for Michael Lebean, Katie Weiss, and Kathryn Wand.

Roll Call:

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

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

Chairperson Edgar reported that the Board of Health did not meet this month and will not meet again until new appointments are made.

PERSONNEL AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON TODD HILL

Chairperson Hill reported that the Personnel Committee will schedule a meeting next week to discuss the Clerk/Treasurer recruitment process and finalize the advancement for Assistant Chief Shaundra Randolph.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CHAIRPERSON JOHN STALEWSKI

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Hill based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to approve a “Resolution Amending the Fee Schedule for the Village of West Milwaukee” (06-R-24)

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Greenfield based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to approve a permanent easement allowing We-Energies to relocate an existing pole as part of the Greenfield Ave. reconstruction project.

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Hill based on the recommendation of the Plan Commission and Legislative Committee to approve a Certified Survey Map (CSM) amending the parcel boundaries for Parcel #436-2008-001 for Fairfield Inn located at 4229 W. National Avenue.

Discussion: President Stalewski stated that the motion would modify the existing cross-access easement to eliminate vehicular traffic and allow for restricted pedestrian-only access. Trustee Hill stated the CSM will redraw the boundaries to include the triangular parcel.

Roll Call:

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

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Roll Call:

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

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer based on the recommendation of the Plan Commission to approve a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Overlay for parcel #473-1036-000 located at 4855 W. Electric Avenue to allow for a proposed expansion project. (03-O-24)

Discussion: Trustee Ragonese asked what the expansion project entails. President Stalewski explained that an expansion plan was presented to the Plan Commission to expand manufacturing space and reroute truck traffic to travel in a singular direction. Administrator Egan stated that the expansion submitted to the Plan Commission exceeded the allowable square footage for the current zoning. The PUD will grant flexibility to complete the addition and still meet the restrictions of the code.

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Ragonese to appoint the 2024-2025 Election Inspectors.

Discussion: Clerk/Treasurer Schupp stated that this is an amendment to the original list to add two additional election inspectors.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Trustee Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to appoint Ezekiel Drews to the West Milwaukee Community Development Authority (WMCDA).

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Trustee Hill moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to appoint Deborah Crowell to the Board of Review.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski reported the Spring Cleanup was successful and he is looking forward to the upcoming June beer garden event. He also reported there will be full daytime closures of Greenfield Avenue from May 8th - May 9th.

WEST MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (WMCDA) REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer reported that the WMCDA appointed a new member and is still looking for two (2) more. There is a joint CDA, Village Board, and Plan Commission meeting scheduled for May 14, 2024, at 6:00 pm. Administrator Egan will update the new CDA member on CDA basics before the joint meeting. Administrator Egan also noted that construction on the Johnson Bank building is almost complete and will open soon. Administrator Egan plans to meet with Komatsu on May 8th.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

Clerk/Treasurer Schupp reported that the front office is switching its Springbrook software from a server-based application to a cloud-based application that will go live on May 10, 2024. The Springbrook software handles cash receipting, accounts payable, general ledger, etc. Trustee Ragonese asked about security with the cloud-based app. Clerk/Treasurer Schupp confirmed the application is secure. There was a brief discussion regarding Clerk/Treasurer Schupp's upcoming retirement.

Police Chief Dennis Nasci announced that the recruits are in stage three (3) of FTO training. The police department is utilizing traffic safety grants to help enforce traffic safety laws throughout the Village including speed and seatbelt requirements. Police Chief Nasci also noted that the Tracks Software in the police department will switch to a cloud-based application. He spoke on the protections that are in place to ensure security for cloud-based applications. Mechanic Mike Tenpas is working to outfit the new police van which should be on the road shortly. Chief Nasci commended Mechanic Tenpas for the great job he has done outfitting the vehicle.

Trustee Hill stated that several car windows were smashed on 53rd St. and asked if this kind of crime is common. Chief Nasci stated this is not a regular occurrence.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Egan congratulated Clerk/Treasurer Schupp on her retirement. Administrator Egan also reported another job opening at DPW as one of the newer hires resigned. Forty-six (46) people attended the Spring Cleanup and 1740 lbs. of garbage were collected. National Night Out is scheduled for Friday, August 16, 2024, from 5-9 pm.

The governor changed the closing time for bars and taverns to 4:00 a.m. for one (1) week during the Republican National Convention (RNC). Municipalities can opt out by passing a resolution. Trustee Ragonese requested the Police Chief's opinion. Chief Nasci was not strongly for or against the extended bar closing time. There was a consensus to leave the decision up to the bar owner and that a resolution to opt out is not needed.

Trustee Hill asked if there are any schedule or budget updates for the Greenfield Ave. reconstruction project. Administrator Egan explained that there have been no change orders or amendments to the schedule. The reconstruction plan includes the removal of the concrete barriers in the back parking lot of the Village Hall and replacing them with a permanent security planter. Construction on the planter should begin next week. Trustee Hill asked if the lead service lines beneath the road were

replaced. Administrator Egan explained that the lines were not replaced as the Village does not have a water utility and could not afford the cost. President Stalewski stated that the sanity sewers were lined but the water mains were not. President Stalewski and Administrator Egan are working with Congresswoman Moore to try and secure funding for underground utility replacements.

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, May 14th at 6: 00p.m.....Plan Commission Meeting
Tuesday, May 14th following.....Joint Plan Commission, Village Board, and WMCDA Meeting
Monday, May 20th at 7: 00p.m.....Village Board Meeting
Monday, May 27th at 6: 00p.m..... WMCDA Meeting

There being no further business before the Village Board, Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer to adjourn.
Time 7:48 p.m.

Voice vote.
The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kayla Casto, Administrator Assistant