

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 15, 2024

President Stalewski called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. and led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

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

PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearing.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Hill to approve the Village Board Meeting minutes for Monday, July 1, 2024.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Greenfield, Schuettke, Edgar, Schaefer, Ragonese, Hill, 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 July 8, 2024, through and including July 15, 2024, checks numbered 33345-33478 in the amount of \$263,301.95

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 July 12, 2024, in the amount of \$130,554.06.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Trustee Ragonese moved, seconded by Trustee Schuettke to approve and accept the May 2024 Treasurer's Report.

Roll Call:

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

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar, to approve the Beverage Operator License for Nicole Kamps.

Roll Call:

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

The motion carried.

Chairperson Schaefer moved, seconded by Trustee Edgar, to deny the Beverage Operator License application for Mark Lastufka.

Discussion:

Chairperson Schaefer explained that the Police Department recommended the denial of the application based on the applicant not disclosing pertinent information related to question number nine (9) on the application. Trustee Ragonese inquired about an applicant's ability to reapply. Chief Randolph and Administrator Egan will research requirements for reapplication and the policies of other municipalities to create a policy for the Village.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Edgar, Schaefer, Ragonese, Greenfield, Hill, Schuettke, 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 Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Hill to approve a "Resolution Creating Tax Incremental District No. 5, Approving Its Project Plan and Establishing Its Boundaries" (10-R-24)

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Schuettke moved, seconded by Trustee Hill to approve the developer's agreement and \$2 million developer incentive paid in two installments: \$1 million at the footings and foundation phase and \$1 million at occupancy phase for a development project at 3900 W. Lincoln Ave.

Roll Call:

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

Trustee Edgar moved, seconded by Trustee Schaefer based on the recommendation of the Legislative Committee to disallow the claim for Rebecca Murphy et al., v. Village of West Milwaukee.

Roll Call:

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

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Stalewski invited the Trustees to review the administrative section of the West Milwaukee Code regarding parliamentary procedure and Village Board meeting conduct.

WEST MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (WMCDA) REPORT

Chairperson Schaefer reported that the WMCDA received an application for the Strong Neighborhood's Home Repair Program. There is a meeting scheduled for July 22, 2024. There is one seat open on the WMCDA.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

Police Chief Shaundra Randolph thanked the elected officials who came to the Police Department promotion ceremonies and summarized the advancements throughout the department. Chuck Donovan was promoted to Assistant Chief, Adam Gallenberger to Lieutenant, Steffen Pawlak to Sergeant, Lucas Roth to Corporal, and the detective

assignment was filled by Skyler Feuerstein. The Police Department is currently hiring police officers. The next Milwaukee Police Academy begins in August, there is no other academy until January. Four (4) West Milwaukee officers were committed to assisting with the Republican National Convention (RNC).

Trustee Ragonese questioned how the reporting process could be streamlined to get more officers out on the road. The command staff has directed officers to alternate times for reporting. If one officer is handling reports, the other should be on the road, and vice versa. The department will continue to work on streamlining the reporting process to ensure that officers are on the road while still completing their assignments promptly.

Trustee Greenfield asked what situations would warrant a police officer to travel the wrong way down a one-way street. Chief Randolph explained that instances including traffic enforcement or emergencies could warrant a squad to travel the wrong way down a one-way street. Trustee Greenfield asked if lights should be triggered in such situations to which Chief Randolph confirmed.

Administrator Egan added that the Village Hall received a call complimenting Officer Gutierrez and Lieutenant Gallenberger on their successful efforts to resuscitate an individual who had overdosed before the ambulance and fire department arrived. The caller explained that the officers did not give up their efforts until the individual was successfully resuscitated and was thankful for their service.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator Egan reported that the Community Centre rental cost amendments and a discussion regarding the allowance or disallowance of electric scooters will be on the next agenda for review and possible action by the Village Board. Trustee Schaefer reported that he has seen scooters operating in the Village. Administrator Egan explained that the scooter companies claim there is a geofence that is meant to turn off the scooters once they hit the municipal boundaries of the Village.

Baker Tilly will present at an upcoming Village Board meeting to review the recently completed audit. The Tourism Commission decided to purchase more t-shirts for the July 25th beer garden and contract with a photographer to take updated photos of the Village. Administrator Egan emailed OnMilwaukee for an update on the West Milwaukee guide and ads, however, has not received a response. The Department of Public Works is in the process of hiring an Equipment Operator/Laborer. Preston Bizzle has returned to full duty following an injury.

There is a Joint Review Board scheduled for Tuesday, July 20th for the final resolution creating Tax Increment District No. 5. Poblocki Paving completed crack filling at the West Milwaukee Park pickleball/tennis courts. The County is requesting a quote from Poblocki to install posts for divisional fencing for the courts.

The second annual Back to School Bash is scheduled for August 28 from 6:00 pm -8:00 pm at the West Allis Farmers Market (6501 W. National Ave.).

NEW ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, July 22nd at 6:00p.m..... WMCDA Meeting
Tuesday, July 30th at 12:00p.m..... Joint Review Board Meeting
Monday, August 5th at 7:00p.m..... Village Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 13th at 6:00p.m..... Plan Commission Meeting

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

Voice vote.
The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kayla Casto, Administrator Assistant