



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Village President McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall. Also, present were Administrator Soderholm, Assistant Administrator Bechler, Chief Waitrovich, Operations Manager Reese, Operations Manager Zintl, and Village Clerk Caesar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

1. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/APPROVAL: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2022

Administrator Soderholm presented an overview of the various capital funds and their current and projected balances, 10 Year Capital Improvement Plan, vehicle replacement plan, major asset replacement plan, Parks Commission project recommendations, proposed projects, the community development block grant (CDBG) project recommendations, Block B building demolition options and design engineering approval.

The vehicle replacement schedule includes both Police and Public Works. The replacement schedule does not call for the purchase of any new vehicles in Public Works for the FY 2022/23 budget. The final all gas fueled police vehicle is scheduled to be replaced with a new hybrid Ford Explorer, completing the transition of the fleet from all gas to hybrid.

The Board reviewed the scheduled major asset replacement items listed below:

- Police – Squad Car Printers (5) - \$6,000
- Village Hall – Roof - \$70,000
- Foxmoor / Jaycee Park – Parking Lot Crack fill, Seal & Stripe - \$5,100
- WWTP – 40 HP Blower – Digesters - \$93,700
- WWTP – 500 CFM Blower – RBCs - \$21,000
- WWTP – Primary Clarifiers – Flights & Chains - \$13,200
- WWTP – Secondary Clarifiers – Flights & Chains - \$40,800
- WWTP – Sludge Storage Garage Doors - \$12,200
- WWTP – Primary Clarifiers 3-6 Moto drives (2) - \$32,000
- WWTP – Secondary Clarifiers Moto drives (2) - \$32,000
- WWTP – Fine Screen - Conveyor - \$6,600
- WWTP – Filter Press - Gearboxes - \$11,000
- WWTP – Press Building Roof - \$20,400
- WWTP – Press - Booster Pump - \$6,100

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- WTP #1 – Chlorine Feed System - \$8,700
- WTP #1 – Potassium Permanganate Feed System - \$8,400
- WTP #2 – Roof - \$35,000
- Water Tower – Clean Tower - \$6,000

The Board directed staff to look into a metal roof versus shingles to determine which would be more cost effective long term.

The Board reviewed The Parks Commission recommended project list.

The general consensus of the Board was to include \$15,000 into the budget for the Kayak / Canoe Rack at Lions Park and \$5,000 for a new entrance sign at Picnic Grove Park. The remaining three projects, a beer garden at Picnic Grove Park, additional parking area at Picnic Grove Park and a security camera system at Picnic Grove Park and Lions Park will be considered after the master plans for each park.

The Board reviewed various sidewalk and bike path connections and agreed to split the second phase into two parts. Staff was directed to option bid the project as two separate options. Option 1 would consist of areas south of Lincoln Avenue, (the south ends of Gladys and Millard, the south end of Grove, and two sections on the north side of Algonquin near Algonquin Road School) and Option II would include the area's south and north of Lincoln Avenue, (South River, Gladys, and Beachway).

The Board also discussed the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project recommendations. Administrator Soderholm stated that the Village received a CDBG grant in the amount of \$148,400 from McHenry County to be applied towards the Lincoln Avenue sewer upgrade of a sewer main downstream from the Bayview lift Station that was postponed from last year due to lack of funding. The next CDBG application will focus on the Millard Avenue water main replacement.

Administrator Soderholm stated that at the Boards direction, staff had three options for their consideration regarding the demolition of Block B.

The general consensus of the Board was for Staff to put \$860,000 into the budget as a placeholder and evaluate the status of Block B as it relates to development next spring.

Administrator Soderholm stated that design-engineering services from Baxter & Woodman would be required to prepare for the bidding of sidewalk projects selected by the Village Board. **Trustee Knar made a motion to authorize the commencement of design-engineering services from Baxter & Woodman for the sidewalks. Trustee Schladt seconded.** Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall. – “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

OTHER BUSINESS

A discussion was held on the future Police Pension contribution. The consensus of the Board was to make an excess police pension contribution of \$250,000 in FY 2023/24.

2. APPROVAL: PROPERTY TAX LEVY DETERMINATION

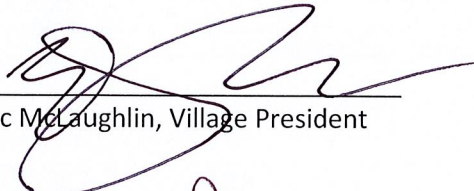
Trustee Knar made a motion to reconsider the property tax levy. Trustee Wall seconded. A voice vote was taken, Trustees Curtis, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall – all “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

Administrator Soderholm stated that the Board could remove the \$10,000 contingency, which is not necessary. This would lower the tax levy increase from 9.65% to 8.63%. In addition to removing the

contingency, Staff recommended the Board consider a reduction in the electricity surcharge to residents to offset the impact of the tax levy. A discussion was held. **Trustee Knar made a motion to approve the tax levy determination in the amount of \$1,064,494, and directed staff to create an ordinance that will reduce the electricity surcharge revenue by 40%. Trustee Wall seconded.** Roll Call: Trustee Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, and Wall – “yes”, Trustees Schladt, and Sepeczi, - “No.” — MOTION PASSED.

ADJOURNMENT

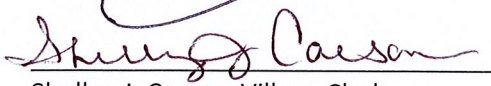
Trustee Knar made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 8:44 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Migdal. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall – all “yes”. MOTION PASSED.



Marc McLaughlin, Village President

12-6-2022

Date



Shelley J. Caesar, Village Clerk