



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024

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 Hester, Knar, Migdal, and Wall. Trustees Curtiss and Schladt were absent. Also, present were Administrator Soderholm, Assistant Administrator Bechler, Chief Waitrovich, and Village Clerk Caesar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

President McLaughlin announced the upcoming Meet Mayor Marc scheduled for June 11th at 6:30 in the Village Hall Community room.

Trustee Wall asked why the Parks Commission reported in their meeting minutes that they were not able to have a booth selling swag at the Fox Fest. The Board asked that staff look into the matter further.

1. APPROVAL: CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL VIA ONE VOTE FOR ALL

- A. Village Board Meeting Minutes – May 7, 2024
- B. Accounts Payable – May 21, 2024 & June 4, 2024
- C. Treasurer's Report – April 2024
- D. Police Body Camera / Squad Camera Purchase

Trustee Hester made a motion to approve consent agenda items A - D. Trustee Migdal seconded. Roll Call: Trustee Hester, Knar, Migdal, Wall, and President McLaughlin –all “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

2. DISCUSSION: SHIPPING CONTAINER REGULATIONS – NORGE SKI CLUB REQUEST

Administrator Soderholm stated Norge Ski Club is seeking approval to purchase and place a storage container on their property, specifically where the old concession stand was located near the Ski Hill Road entrance. Currently permanent storage containers are not allowed per the Village code. Staff is seeking the boards opinion on amending the code to allow shipping containers in B3 zoning districts only.

A discussion was held.

Village President Marc McLaughlin

Trustees Jennifer Curtiss / Devin Hester / Steve Knar / Andrew Migdal / Melissa Schladt / Kirsten Wall

The consensus of the Board was to consider allowing shipping containers in B3 zoning districts, that when granted through a special use.

3. DISCUSSION: FAÇADE GRANT REQUEST – 412 LINCOLN AVENUE

Assistant Administrator Bechler introduced petitioner Ralph Pence whom was present to address any questions the Board may have regarding his façade grant request for 412 Lincoln Ave. The grant request of \$42,200 included the cost of new windows and a door as well as repainting the buildings façade.

Mr. Pence stated the location has residential space in the back and commercial opportunity in the front. The marketability of the location has been tough due to the age of the façade.

Trustee Knar stated this façade grant request was different than most as there is currently no business in the location and doesn't feel the grant would guarantee a return on the investment.

President McLaughlin stated he feels the request is necessary to attract a future business and the improvements would stay with the location even if it was sold after the façade was updated.

Trustee Knar is concerned that a "sales tax revenue" generating business may not end up occupying the space which then again, does not benefit the Village.

Petitioner Pence stated he holds onto the locations he purchases and doesn't intend to sell anytime soon. He mentioned Moontime Smokin' Que, as an example of another location he owns and invested in the façade, that now homes the very successful business and is aesthetically pleasing to the area.

The consensus of the Board was for Mr. Pence to prepare a rendering of his vision of the new façade at 412 Lincoln Avenue for the board to reconsider at a future meeting.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Administrator Soderholm directed the boards attention to the displayed sample of the new Village pole banner with the adopted modifications requested at the May 7th meeting, , requesting any additional feedback.

Trustee Knar stated that the sunbrella material was not available and that the final banners will be made with an 18 oz thickness vinyl and should expect to get 3+ years life out of them.

The general consensus was very much in favor of the new design and agreed that four colors was enough.

Dillon & Michelle Streit introduced themselves to the Board as the new owners of the former Varky's marina. They expressed their desire to create a very family friendly location at the marina property. They stated that they will be pursuing a façade grant in the near future to assist with the expenses of updating the aged building and would like to explore the idea of being able to launch boats again from the FRG location.

The Board welcomed their ideas and encouraged the Streits to complete the façade grant application.

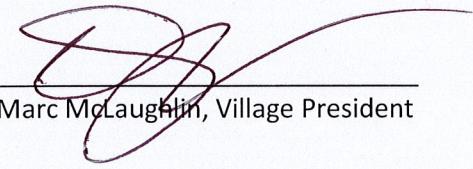
ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Knar made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:08 p.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss property purchase and sale, pending & imminent litigation, and personnel. Seconded

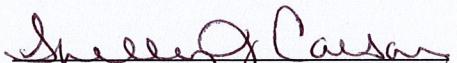
by Trustee Hester. A voice vote was taken. Trustee Hester, Knar, Migdal, and Wall—all “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

Village President McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. in the Municipal Center. Present at roll call were Trustee Hester, Knar, Migdal, and Wall.

Trustee Hester made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:37 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Migdal. A voice vote was taken. Trustee Hester, Knar, Migdal, and Wall—all “yes”. MOTION PASSED.


Marc McLaughlin, Village President

6-18-2024
Date


Shelley J. Caesar, Village Clerk