



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Village President Nunamaker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Public comment was held electronically and remotely, due to the “shelter-in-place” order. Present at roll call were Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt and Wall. Also, present were Administrator Soderholm, Assistant to the Village Administrator Bechler and Clerk Caesar.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was omitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

President Nunamaker announced that a vaccine for the Coronavirus has been approved.

STAFF MONTHLY REPORTS

President Nunamaker stated that monthly staff reports were distributed electronically. There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: DECEMBER 1, 2020 VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Trustee Fleischmann made a motion to approve the December 1, 2020 Village Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Curtiss seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

2. APPROVAL: ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DECEMBER 15, 2020

Trustee Curtiss made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable for December 15, 2020. Trustee Schladt seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

3. APPROVAL: APPOINTMENT – JAMES BUSTER TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 15, 2020

Trustee Wall made a motion to approve the appointment of James Buster to the Planning & Zoning Commission, effective December 15, 2020. Trustee McLaughlin seconded. Trustee Curtiss stated that Jim is a former neighbor of hers and that she is excited for his appointment to the commission. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

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Trustees Jennifer Curtiss / Jacob Fleischmann / Marc McLaughlin / Andrew Migdal / Melissa Schladt / Patrick Wall

4. APPROVAL: ORDINANCE 2020-10, CORPORATE TAX LEVY

President Nunamaker explained that the ordinance is for the 2020 tax levy, which includes the 2.3% consumer price index adjustment allowed for under the tax cap law. **Trustee Migdal made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-10 for the corporate tax levy in the amount of \$974,920. Trustee Curtiss seconded.** Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt and Wall – “yes”, Trustee Fleischmann – “no”. MOTION PASSED.

Trustee Wall made a motion to group agenda items 5 - 8 together for approval. Trustee McLaughlin seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”, Trustee Curtiss – “no”. MOTION PASSED.

APPROVAL: Consent Agenda Items 5 - 8

Trustee McLaughlin made a motion to approve the consent agenda including items 5 through 8.

5. Ordinance 2020-11, Gardner Terrace Special Service Area Levy - \$6,500

6. Ordinance 2020-12, Picnic Grove Special Service Area Levy - \$6,000

7. Ordinance 2020-13, Hunters Farm Special Service Area - \$14,000

8. Ordinance 2020-14, Talon Special Service Area Levy - \$3,000

Trustee Fleischmann seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”, Trustee Curtiss – “no”. MOTION PASSED.

9. APPROVAL: ORDINANCE 2020-15, ADOPTING MCHENRY COUNTY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE

Trustee McLaughlin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-15, Adopting McHenry County Stormwater Management Ordinance. Trustee Migdal seconded.

Trustee Schladt inquired if there was a trigger point when the Village would complete its own stormwater reviews and permitting. Administrator Soderholm replied that staff is exploring the potential for the Village to become a certified community. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

10. APPROVAL: ORDINANCE 2020-16, NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES BY CLASSIFICATION

President Nunamaker stated that Mr. Patel is interested in purchasing the former Grover’s location and opening up a sandwich and bar type establishment with gaming. The Board is being asked to approve an additional A1 liquor license now, so that Mr. Patel may apply for his State license, as the purchase of the building, where the business is to be located, is contingent upon the licensing. Trustee Wall asked Mr. Patel what percent of liquor vs. food sales he expected in the first year. Mr. Patel estimated approximately 60% food to 40% liquor, based off his two other locations in Crystal Lake and Cary. Trustee Migdal sought confirmation that the A1 license does not allow for a liquor store, to which Administrator Soderholm said it did not. **Trustee McLaughlin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-16, amending the number of liquor licenses by classification. Trustee Migdal seconded.** Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”. MOTION PASSED.

11. OTHER BUSINESS:

Administrator Soderholm addressed the Board stating that the current three-year contract with Ringers Landscaping is ending. He stated that staff is looking to expand the amount of mowing that is contracted out. Administrator Soderholm asked for the Boards input on the potential to negotiate a price with Ringers, extend the current contract, and forgo the bidding process next year. Trustee Curtiss asked if this move would affect the number of summer help hired. Administrator Soderholm replied that it would reduce the summer staff by one. Trustee Curtiss stated a one-year extension would be okay, but she was not in favor of extending three – four years. Trustee Wall was not in favor of eliminating the bidding

process at all and Trustee Schladt felt it could not hurt going to bid. The general consensus of the Board was to bid the landscaping services next year.

President Nunamaker mentioned that the Lions Club was organizing a Santa Claus drive through the Village, in a firetruck, to spread some holiday cheer. Details were still forthcoming, but a map and additional information will be on the Lions Club Facebook page in the near future.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Fleischmann made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:11 p.m. Trustee Wall seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Fleischmann, McLaughlin, Migdal, Schladt, and Wall – “yes”.
MOTION PASSED.


Robert Nunamaker, Village President

January 19, 2021
Date


Shelley J. Caesar, Village Clerk