



Village of Fox River Grove

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

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 to the Village Administrator Bechler, Chief Waitrovich, Operations Manager Reese, 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 Cary-Grove Homecoming parade would be this Saturday.

Trustee Wall mentioned that he and Trustee Schladt have set the date for their first American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) meeting. The meeting will be open to the public and held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, October 13, 2021. More details to come.

STAFF MONTHLY REPORTS

No Comment.

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

- A. Village Board Meeting Minutes – September 7, 2021
- B. Accounts Payable – September 21, 2021
- C. Treasurer's Report – July 2021

Trustee Wall made a motion to approve consent agenda items A through C, Trustee Curtiss seconded.

Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall—all "yes." MOTION PASSED.

2. PRESENTATION: FYE 2021 AUDIT

Monika Adamski of Lauterbach & Amen, LLP presented a brief review of the Village's annual audit. She highlighted that it was a successful audit and that the Village received an unmodified opinion, which is the best possible opinion the Village can receive. She congratulated the Village for also receiving the Certificate of Achievement Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting, which is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Village President Marc McLaughlin

Trustees Jennifer Curtiss / Steve Knar / Andrew Migdal / Melissa Schladt / Sheri Sepeczi / Patrick Wall

3. APPROVAL: AWARD BID – ROUTE 14 / 22 SIDEWALK PROJECT

Trustee Migdal made a motion to award the bid to A-Lamp Concrete Contractors and authorize the Village Administrator to enter into a contract for the Route 14 / 22 sidewalk project. Trustee Schladt seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall—all “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

4. APPROVAL: CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT, ROUTE 14 / 22 SIDEWALK PROJECT

Trustee Migdal made a motion to authorize the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Baxter & Woodman for construction engineering services for the Route 14 / 22 sidewalk project. Trustee Schladt seconded. Roll Call: Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall—all “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

5. DISCUSSION: DRAFT ORDINANCE – PLAN REVIEW, PERMIT, & INSPECTON FEES

Administrator Soderholm asked for the Boards input on a draft ordinance that was prepared by Staff updating and simplifying the building fees. He stated the new code will be easier to understand for residents, businesses, contractors and the administrative staff. Trustee Curtiss complimented staff’s work, noting it helped a lot in her review. President McLaughlin was in favor of the updates, stating all fees looked very reasonable. It was the general consensus of the Village Board to recommend the ordinance for approval.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Schladt addressed the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process being used to promote the Block B project. She stated that this project has been a long time coming and feels that a large audience needs to receive the RFQ. Trustee Schladt also suggested that the wording in the RFQ should include other attributes the Village offers, such as the nearby Fox River, and the parking at the Greyhill property. Trustee Wall endorsed Schladt saying he would like to see some “out of the box” ideas. Administrator Soderholm stated that the various suggested changes from the Board would be incorporated into the RFQ.

Trustee Migdal asked for clarification concerning any rules in place about spending the Special Events Committee’s annual budget. Migdal mentioned that new chairperson Jamie Dimmick has some ideas that are less revenue generating than past events and wanted to ensure she was operating within the proper guidelines. President McLaughlin stated that the budget was set for the Committee to use as they best see fit for the Villages Special Events.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Curtiss made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:28 p.m. Trustee Migdal seconded. A voice vote was taken. Trustees Curtiss, Knar, Migdal, Schladt, Sepeczi, and Wall – “yes.” MOTION PASSED.

Marc McLaughlin, Village President

Date

Shelley J. Caesar, Village Clerk