

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN
(Official Minutes)

SPECIAL JOINT SESSION of the BOARD OF TRUSTEES
with the FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Village President Arvid Petersen called the special meeting of the Village Board to order and Finance Committee Chairman Patrick Kenny called the special meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall conference room, 175 Valley View Drive, Fontana, Wisconsin.

Trustees present: Roll call vote: President Arvid Petersen, Cindy Wilson, Pat Kenny, Tom McGreevy, Bill Gage, Peg Pollitt

Trustee absent: George Spadoni

Finance Committee members present: Trustee Kenny, Arlene Patek, Mike Sheyker, Scott Vilona, Drew Gilchrist, Jim Feeney, Rick McCue

Also Present: Dennis Barr, Mark Chalchoff, Administrator/Treasurer Kelly Hayden, Rob Ireland, Kevin Kohley, Library Director Nancy Krei, Village Clerk Dennis Martin, Assistant Zoning Administrator Bridget McCarthy, Joseph McHugh, Genie Murphy, Police Chief Steve Olson, Matthew Pruessing, Mark Radtke, Terry Tavera, Tom Westphal, Director of Public Works Craig Workman

General Business

Gazebo Invoice Final Payment

Hayden stated that the final invoice for the Big Foot Construction & Consulting, Inc. construction contract for the Reid Park Gazebo totals \$4,800. Hayden stated that a proposal for additional work in the interior roof to be completed by the DPW crew will be presented at a future meeting.

Trustee Kenny/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to approve payment of the \$4,800 invoice submitted by Big Foot Construction & Consulting, Inc., and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Village Bow Hunting Resolution Amendment

Hayden stated that the proposed amendment is to consider the addition of two parcels owned by Peter Novak and Mike Novak to the resolution authorizing specific village property owners to participate in the 2011 deer bow hunting season in order to cull the herd within the village limits. The Novak parcels were in the initial CWD Hunt resolution in the early 2000s, and President Petersen stated that there was a complaint involving shotgun fire on one of the parcels back in 2005. The current authorization is for bow hunting only. The amendment also would authorize Peter Novak, Mike Novak, Robert Voss and Bruce Voss as the hunting agents.

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Wilson 2nd made a MOTION to approve Resolution 11-13-11-01, an amendment to the resolution authorizing specific village property owners to participate in the 2011 deer bow hunting season, as presented, with the condition that the Belvidere Park Association parcel is included only if it is approved by the Belvidere Park Association Board of Directors. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Assembly Bill 260

The Village of Fontana received a request from the city of Delafield to join a statewide initiative to formally oppose the proposed Assembly Bill 260, which if adopted by the state legislature would strip the Village's Comprehensive Master Plan of any authority. Wisconsin State Statute 59.69(3)(b) currently requires any county zoning agency which prepares a county development plan must include in the county development plan, the master plan, if any, of any city or village located in the county. The proposed Assembly Bill 260 would eliminate the requirement that the county development plan include the master plan of any city or village; and it would deprive the village of its current right to control development and use of land, both within the corporate boundaries of the village and in the unincorporated areas adjacent to the village. Enactment of Assembly Bill 260 would create a conflict

between master plans adopted by cities and villages and county development plans adopted by county zoning agencies, and that conflict would create confusion and inhibit development of residential and commercial projects.

Trustee Wilson/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to approve Resolution 10-13-11-02, opposing Assembly Bill 260, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Infrastructure Plan – Ruekert-Mielke

Workman and Ruekert-Mielke engineer Terry Tavera presented the Village of Fontana Pavement Management Program and three alternative spending level options for a five-year period. Tavera stated that he would recommend a spending level of at least \$645,000 per year, which is the second alternative level, in order maintain the average PASER rating of the village roads at about 7. PASER ratings are on a scale from 1 to 10, with 1 being the worst condition and 10 the best. Tavera stated that the average of all the public roads at this time is 7.0, and if the \$645,000 spending level is approved, the average will be 6.9 after the five-year period. Petersen stated that the plan should be reviewed by the Public Works Committee at its next meeting on Saturday, October 15, 2011, and the Village Board and Finance Committee will consider its recommendation at the next budget workshop meeting on Monday, October 17, 2011 at 6:00 pm.

Wisconsin Act 10 Health Insurance Language vs. Village's Current Policy – Tabled 10/3/11

Hayden stated that if the village follows the terms of the Act 10 legislation with regard to the health insurance employee deductions, instead of the current terms of the employee contracts, the village will lose about \$25,000 in revenue that would be deducted from the employee's pay checks. All but one of the Village employees currently have health plans with monthly premium rates that fall below 88 percent of the average premium cost of the qualified plans in the county, which are the health insurance terms of the Act 10 legislation. Hayden stated that for the past four to five years, the non-union employees have been paying 5 percent of the premium rate for the lowest qualified health insurance plan, and if their plan is not the lowest qualified plan, the employees have been paying the amount over 105 percent of the lowest qualified plan. Hayden stated that the Village Board does not have to stick with the less restrictive Act 10 health insurance parameters; the Village Board could force employees to pay up to 100 percent of the health insurance premium contributions if desired. Hayden stated that the Village just can't be less restrictive than the Act 10 parameters. Pollitt stated that the Village Board has been deducting employee health insurance premiums at the current rate for several years and it would be a mistake to reduce that revenue generating source. Kenny stated that the Finance Committee recommended leaving the health insurance premium deductions the same as they currently are, and to help offset the additional total deductions with a 2 percent salary increase.

Trustee Pollitt/Trustee Gage made a MOTION to leave the health insurance premium deductions as is, and the Roll Call vote was as follows:

President Petersen – No

Trustee Wilson – No

Trustee McGreevy – No

Trustee Gage – No

Trustee Pollitt – Aye

Trustee Kenny – No

The MOTION failed on a 1-5 vote, with Trustee Spadoni absent.

President Petersen stated that the motion failed and he would entertain another motion for consideration. Petersen stated that the suggestion Chief Olson made earlier in the meeting that the health insurance premium deductions remain at the same level as in 2011 is a good idea. Kenny then made a motion to keep the health insurance deduction levels the same as in 2011, and the motion was seconded by McGreevy. During discussion, it was determined that if an employee were to choose a different health plan in 2012, that the 2011 rate for the new plan would be used to determine the health insurance premium deduction level. Hayden asked if the motion applies to the union employees as well as the non-union, and if the Village Board wants to keep caps on the total health insurance premium deductions for the Department of Public Works and Police Department union employees. Kenny and McGreevy then amended their motion on the floor to set the 2012 health insurance premium employee contribution rates the same as in 2011 for all village employees. Trustee Kenny/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to set the 2012 health insurance premium

employee contribution rates that same as in 2011 for all Village of Fontana employees, and the Roll Call vote was as follows:

Trustee Wilson – Aye

Trustee McGreevy – Aye

Trustee Gage – Aye

Trustee Pollitt- Aye

Trustee Kenny – Aye

President Petersen – Aye

The MOTION carried on a 6-0 vote.

VOF Budget 2012 Workshop

Hayden presented the updated preliminary budget, which does not yet contain the proposed borrowing figure for the construction projects. The projected mill rate for the 2012 village budget is currently at \$2.31, which is a 13.16 percent increase from the 2011 mill rate of \$2.16. Because of the market revaluation of the Village in 2011, the tax base has decreased 5.26 percent from \$1,283,294,700 in 2011 to \$1,215,730,300 in 2012. Hayden stated that the preliminary budget does not include any salary increases, and the health insurance premium employees contributions are at the higher 2012 rates. Hayden stated that the health insurance premium employee contribution levels will be reduced to the 2011 levels and the updated preliminary budget will be presented at the September 17, 2011 meeting.

Next Meeting Date

Petersen stated that the next joint workshop meeting will be held Monday, October 17, 2011 at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall meeting room.

Finance Committee Adjournment

McCue/Feeney 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the Finance Committee meeting at 7:58 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Closed Session

Trustee Kenny/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION at 7:58 pm to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chapter 19.85 (1)(e), to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, specifically Big Foot Country Club storm water issues, and the Roll Call vote followed:

Trustee McGreevy – Aye

Trustee Gage – Aye

Trustee Pollitt – Aye

Trustee Kenny – Aye

President Petersen – Aye

Trustee Wilson – Aye

The MOTION carried on a 6-0 vote.

Closed Session Adjournment

Trustee Gage/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION at 8:33 pm to adjourn the Closed Session and to reconvene in Open Session.

Village Board Adjournment

Trustee Gage/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 8:33 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Dennis L. Martin, village clerk

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Village Board and the Finance Committee, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 11/7/2011 – V.B.; 12/8/2011 – Finance Com.