

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE

Walworth County, WI

Lakefront and Harbor Committee

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

(Official Minutes)

The monthly meeting of the Lakefront and Harbor Committee was called to order at 4:00 pm on October 25, 2017 by Chairman Rick Pappas.

Committee Members Present: Trustee Rick Pappas, Ed Snyder, Joel Bikowski, Bob Chanson, Lee Eakright, Don Holst (arrived at 4:07 pm), Steve Beers (arrived at 4:05 pm)

Also Present: Clerk Theresa Loomer, Scott Vilona

Visitors Heard

Pappas presented an email he received from David Luczak who was denied reimbursement by the Village Board at the September monthly meeting for a \$380 claim he filed for boat damage. According to Luczak, a bolt was sticking out of the Village's pier which he stated gouged his boat as he pulled up to drop off passengers. Since the item was not on the agenda, no action was taken.

General Business

Approval of Minutes for Meeting Held August 23, 2017

Snyder/Chanson 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes from August 23, 2017, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Pier Permit Application Filed by Dana Mecum for the Property Located at 1028 S. Lakeshore Drive

A pier permit application was submitted for the property at 1028 S. Lakeshore Drive to add an additional slip space onto the current pier. The proposal meets all setbacks and code requirements and is less than 100-feet from the shoreline and the application has been approved by the DNR. Snyder/Chanson 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the Pier Permit Application filed by Dana Mecum for the Property Located at 1028 S. Lakeshore Drive, with the condition an as-built survey is filed upon completion, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Buoy Permit Application Filed by David Weinberg for the Property at 988 S. Lakeshore Drive

A permit was filed by David Weinberg for the installation of a buoy at 988 S. Lakeshore Drive. The buoy is proposed to be located 140-feet from the shoreline and 60-feet from the end of the existing pier and will be used to moor a sailboat.

Chanson/Beers 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the Buoy Permit Application Filed by David Weinberg for the Property at 988 S. Lakeshore Drive, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Ch. 54 Ordinance Rewrite Subcommittee Update

The subcommittee has still not met so Trustee Pappas volunteered to meet with Ed Snyder to review the ordinance and have an update to present at the next meeting.

2018 Mooring Leases and Deposits Update – Status and Direction for Unpaid Deposits

Two boat slip leaseholders have not paid their \$500 mooring lease deposits due on October 15th for the 2018 season and one slip leaseholder has paid \$250 with the promise to pay the other half by the end of the month. The committee agreed there was a good faith effort put forward by the person that paid the \$250 and to grant the requested grace period until the end of October, however, they recommended that the two people who have not paid be ineligible to rent a slip for

2018.

Holst/Beers 2nd made a MOTION to recommend to the Village Board that the two boat slip leaseholders that did not made the \$500 deposit payment due by October 15th, be ineligible to renew their slip rental for the 2018 season, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

2017 Unpaid Slip Rental Fee Status and Direction

There was one person who did not pay for their boat slip rental in 2017. This is also one of the two people that have not paid their \$500 mooring lease deposit for 2018.

Chanson/Beers 2nd made a MOTION to recommend to the Village Board that the person that did not pay their slip rental fee for 2017 be ineligible to renew their slip rental for 2018 and direct staff to research options to pursue payment, and the MOTION carried without negative vote

Update and Direction for 2017 Unused Slips

There was a complaint that there were three unused slips in 2017. One slip holder passed away and her sister took over and paid for the slip but surrendered the space before the end of the season. That slip was then rented and paid for by another resident who was able to put a boat in the water by the end of the season and has paid the \$500 deposit for the 2018 season. The second person was having their boat lift built and did not occupy the space until the end of the season but has paid the \$500 deposit for 2018. The third person, also referenced in the above item, stated that their boat was being serviced. It was unable to be determined whether that slip renter used the slip at all during the 2017 season. That slip renter also did not pay for their lease in 2017.

Reconsideration of 2018 Mooring Lease Full Payment Due Date

Village slip rental lessee and resident Scott Vilona presented his request to the committee for reconsideration of the mooring lease full payment due date which was changed earlier this year to January 31st. An initial deposit of \$500 is due October 15th and Vilona stated that initial deposit should be a good indication of intent that the balance will be paid and the slip will be used the following season. Five letters, including one from Vilona, were distributed requesting an extension on the final payment due date. The reason the policy was changed earlier in the year was to ensure payments were received in a timely manner so the people on the waiting list could be contacted as soon as possible for available slips and so those people would have time to make payment arrangements and get a shore station, boat, etc. The committee discussed whether the policy should be left as-is, whether the policy should be staggered and include two payment dates or three payment dates, and when those dates should be. After discussion, members agreed the \$500 deposit should be due on October 15th, a \$1000 deposit should be due on January 15th and the balance due on March 15th.

Snyder/Bikowski 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval to modify the Boat Slip Waiting List and Policy Schedule and Lease Agreement to require a \$500 deposit by October 15th, a \$1,000 deposit by January 15th and the full payment due by March 15th, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Boat Trailer Parking Lot Recommendation

Section 54-161 of the municipal code addresses fees and regulations for the boat trailer parking lot. There has been confusion about which types of vehicles are allowed to park in Lot. No. 4. The ordinance states vehicles with trailers, recreational vehicles and buses shall be charged a fee that is determined by the village board and is included in the fee schedule. The committee recommended raising the hourly fee from \$3 per hour to \$4 per hour and amending the ordinance to reflect that it is an hourly rate and not daily rate. There was additional discussion about posting signs in the lots regarding towed vehicles, and raising the parking citation rate which will be referred to the protection committee for follow-up.

Snyder/Chanson 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval to amend Chapter 54-161(d)(5)(a)(2) to read "For vehicles with trailers and recreational vehicles per ~~day~~ hour, said fee shall be determined by the village board, and 54-161(d)(5)(a)(3) to read "For commercial buses per ~~day~~ hour, said fee shall be determined by the village board, and to amend Section 54-

161(d)(5)(a)(5) and remove the sentence which reads “There shall be no overnight parking without a valid launch receipt displayed for the date in which the vehicle and empty trailer are parked in the designated lot”. Additionally, direct the police department to consider posting signage regarding towing services used and to direct the protection committee to look into raising the parking citation rate to \$75 per incident. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date was scheduled for January 24, 2018 at 4:00 pm. A November meeting date will be considered if necessary.

Adjournment

Snyder/Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 4:59 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Theresa Loomer, Village Clerk

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

APPROVED: 02/21/18