

**VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

(Official Minutes)

VIRTUAL MONTHLY MEETING of the VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday, January 4, 2021

Village President Pat Kenny called the virtual meeting of the Village Board to order at 5:00 pm.

Trustees Present by Phone: Roll call vote: President Kenny, Trustee Pappas, Trustee Prudden, Trustee O'Neill, Trustee Livingston, Trustee McGreevy, Trustee Petersen

Also Present by Phone: Steve Beers, Remzy Bitar, Carlie Blackman, Jeff Cates, Kevin Day, Tom Hausner, Kevin Kirkland, Sarah Lobdell, Theresa Loomer, Mike Slavney, Stephanie Smith, John Strong, Dale Thorpe, Scott Vilona, Randy Wille, Cindy Wilson

Closed Session

Trustee Petersen/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION at 5:01 pm to go into Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats. Chapter 19.85(1)(g), "conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved," specifically Case Filed against Zoning Board of Appeals and Claim Filed by Property Owner at 431 Harvard Avenue:

President Kenny – Aye

Trustee Livingston – Aye

Trustee McGreevy – Aye

Trustee Pappas – Aye

Trustee Prudden – Aye

Trustee O'Neill – Aye

Trustee Petersen – Aye

The MOTION carried on a 7-0 vote.

Adjournment Closed Session

Trustee Petersen/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION at 5:20 pm to adjourn the closed session and reconvene in open session, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

General Business

Trustee Pappas/Trustee Petersen 2nd made a MOTION to disallow the claim filed by the Property Owner at 431 Harvard Avenue under Wisconsin Statutes 893.80(1g), and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Visitors Heard

Randi Wille, 237 Jensen Drive, stated he is a resident across from Big Foot Country Club and wanted to reach out again and express his concerns over the patio expansion. Wille explained the expansion places the patio close to the property line and he has concerns with the noise and lighting. Wille suggested possibly looking at a way to reconfigure the patio or create a buffer to help with the noise.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the meeting held on December 7, 2020, were distributed to board members via email.

Trustee Livingston/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes from December 7, 2020, meeting, as submitted, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Village Treasurer's Report, Vendor Report, & Payroll Overtime Report

Treasurer's report, vendor report and payroll overtime reports were not yet available.

Approval of Village and Utility Payables

Loomer stated an additional list of payables was distributed by Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Olson earlier in the day and requested they be included in the motion.

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION to approve payment of the Village and Utility payable list, as presented, along with the additional payables submitted earlier in the day, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

General Business – President Kenny

2021 Semper Running Half Marathon on Saturday, July 10, 2021 – Carlie Blackman

President Kenny stated this was previously approved in 2020. Chief Cates stated the half marathon will begin at Big Foot High School and end at Big Foot State Park. The start time is set for 7:00 am and anticipating runners will be through Fontana by 8:30 am. Cates stated race organizers have arranged for traffic control and agreed that water stations and signs will be picked up right away. Cates states as long as S. Lakeshore Drive construction is completed, he has no concerns. Race organizer Carlie Blackman was present and stated Chief Cates touched on all the high points. The run will only be going 2.5 miles through the Village and it is an early start.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve the 2021 Semper Running Half Marathon on Saturday, July 10, 2021, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

2020-21 Revised Hunting Resolution

Loomer stated the revision includes Brad Wilson as an added hunter, as well as the amended end date of January 31, 2021 since Walworth County is in the extended archery and crossbow season.

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION to approve the revised 2020-2021 Hunting Resolution, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Consider action – Lease Amendments for the possible occupancy of a portion of the Lake Geneva Marine leased building by the GLLEA

Attorney Dale Thorpe explained he is currently waiting on a document to be drafted so there is nothing to vote on just a conceptual discussion. Thorpe has been communicating with Commander Hausner from GLLEA and Kevin Kirkland from Lake Geneva Marine and they are working on getting the documents drafted. Commander Hausner stated he is hoping to have the documents ready in a few days and he and Loomer have been in communicating regarding Section Ten of the Village's lease with Kevin Kirkland which states a written agreement is required from the Village to approve a sublease. President Kenny stated the Village Board is okay with the concept and agreed to allow Lake Geneva Marine and GLLEA to work out the lease agreement. Trustee Petersen questioned if Lake Geneva Marine's current lease allows for subleasing. Loomer explained the lease states subleasing is allowed with the Village's written approval.

Revisit Village Hall Office Hours

Loomer stated Village Hall has been operating by appointment only the last month and it seems to be working fine. Trustee Pappas suggested leaving Village Hall office hours as appointment only and reevaluate again in a month.

Direction on Building Inspection IGA

Loomer stated the idea has been talked about on and off for awhile now. The concept is for Fontana and Williams Bay to share a Village employed building inspector. Loomer stated she is just looking for direction on whether the Village should continue pursuing conversations with Williams Bay.

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Petersen 2nd made a MOTION to continue discussions with Williams Bay to consider sharing an in-house building inspector, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Plan Commission – Trustee Petersen

Update on Conditional Use Permit Application filed by Rick Ackman on behalf of Big Foot Country Club for an expansion of an existing patio for outdoor entertainment at 770 Shabbona Drive – Tabled 12/07/20

Loomer stated this application from Big Foot County Club for an expansion of an existing patio came to last months meeting and was tabled after a couple zoning issues were discovered. Big Foot Country Club has agreed to keep their application on hold while the Village investigates the zoning issues.

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Petersen made a MOTION to table the conditional use permit application filed by Rick Ackman on behalf of Big Foot Country Club for an expansion of an existing patio for outdoor entertainment at 770 Shabbona Drive, and allow staff time to investigate concerns raised, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Certified Survey Map Application filed by John Bria for the property located at N2058 Hwy 67, Town of Walworth ETZ – Tabled 12/07/20

Loomer stated that unfortunately this application cannot be approved as submitted and the applicant did not wish to withdraw their application. The recommendation is to deny the application.

Trustee Pappas/Trustee McGreevy made a MOTION to deny the certified survey map application filed by John Bria for the property located at N2058 Hwy 67, Town of Walworth ETZ, due to not meeting zoning code for the zoning district the property is in, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Public Works Committee – Trustee O’Neill

Approval of 2021 Utility Budget

The complete utility budget is on file at Village Hall.

Trustee Livingston/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to approve the 2021 Utility Budget, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Discuss Proposed Stormwater Detention Pond off Hwy 67 - Walworth

Public Works Director Kevin Day stated that David Rassmussen owns property off Hwy 67 that he has offered the Village an easement with the intention of installing storm water retention. Attorney Thorpe stated that title work can be ordered at no cost to keep the process moving.

Trustee Pappas/Trustee Prudden 2nd made a MOTION to direct staff to have title work ordered and work on securing the easement, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Authorize Sale of Boss TGS 800 Tailgate Salt Spreader

Day explained this spreader was purchased seven years ago and has not been used because it is too small. The prices found ranged anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 and Day has an offer for \$800.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to approve the sale of the Boss TGS 800 Tailgate Salt Spreader for \$800, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Lakefront & Harbor Committee – Trustee Pappas

Austin Pier Service Quote for 2021 Repairs

Trustee Pappas explained that Lakefront and Harbor recommend going forward with composite to save money long term and approved an additional 20% above what the quote as presented. Trustee Pappas reached out to Darrel Frederick from Austin Pier Service to request he rebid the repairs to include composite planks instead of lumber, and the cost of composite was more than double the cost of lumber. Trustee Pappas recommended approving the quote for repairs as-is and investigate composite for next year.

Trustee Pappas/Trustee O’Neill 2nd made a MOTION to approve the repair quote from Austin Pier Service in the amount of \$25,783.10, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

GLA Proposal for Watercraft Cleaning Station

Trustee Pappas explained having a watercraft cleaning station was presented to the Lakefront and Harbor Committee at their last meeting and informational pamphlets have been included in the Village Board packets. The cleaning station would be moved from one launch to another and would be no cost to the Village. Trustee Pappas recommended approving this on a trial basis and work out the logistics at a later date.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION to approve the GLA proposal for Watercraft Cleaning Station on a trial basis, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Park Commission – Trustee Livingston

Consider Removal of Failing Sycamore Tree Along Hwy 67 Near Fontana Fen

Trustee Livingston stated the tree is rotting at least three to four feet up from the ground and is becoming more of a safety issue. The Park Commission is looking to replace the Sycamore Tree.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee O’Neill 2nd made a MOTION to approve the removal of failing sycamore tree along Highway 67 near Fontana Fen, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Adjournment

Trustee Pappas/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION at 5:52 pm to adjourn the meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Stephanie Smith, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

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

APPROVED: 02/01/21