

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

(Official Minutes)

SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING of the VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Village President Pat Kenny called the special virtual meeting of the Village Board to order at 11:01 am.

Trustees Present: President Kenny, Trustee Prudden, Trustee Livingston, Trustee Pappas, Trustee Petersen, Trustee McGreevy

Trustees Absent: Trustee O’Neill

Also Present: Theresa Loomer, Drew Lussow, Rick Manthy, Chief Nitsch, Dale Thorpe

General Business – President Kenny

Approve Extending Metro EMS Contract

Village Administrator Loomer stated she has been working with Village Attorney Dale Thorpe and Attorney Dan Vliet about the necessary handbook and ordinance changes. Until those things can be finalized, Loomer stated it would be in the best interest of the Village to retain Metro EMS on a month-to-month basis until all details are finalized for the Village’s EMS employee. Metro has agreed to continue on a month-to-month basis at the current rate. Trustee Livingston voiced some concerns regarding the employees the Village was planning to hire internally and wanted the Village to have better contact with these new hires to assure them that the Village is still intending to hire them once all the fine details are hammered out. President Kenny understood where Trustee Livingston was coming from but also explained the need to have everything done right the first time, so we set the new hires up for success. Attorney Thorpe also mentioned from a legal standpoint it makes the most sense to have all the changes to the employee handbook and ordinances complete before finalizing the hires, so the framework is in place, and it outlines all the benefits and pay scale for the workers. The information regarding wage and benefits is still being reviewed.

Trustee Pappas/Trustee Petersen 2nd made a MOTION to approve extending Metro EMS Contract on a month-to-month basis, with the intent of hiring full-time EMS employees on June 1, 2022 so long as the necessary handbook, ordinance and job description modifications are complete, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Authorize EMS/Fire Letters of Intent to Hire

Attorney Thorpe recommended sending Letters of Intent to the current Metro EMS employees to demonstrate the Village’s intention of offering to hire them full time as soon as possible. The board agreed to do whatever is necessary to help the employees regarding scheduling until the full-time hire date. Administrator Loomer, President Kenny and Protection Chair Prudden scheduled a meeting with the Metro employees for the following week.

Trustee Pappas/Trustee McGreevy 2nd made a MOTION to authorize EMS/Fire letters of intent to hire, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Update on EMS/Fire Agreement with Williams Bay

Loomer provided an update on the EMS/Fire agreement with Williams Bay. Stated she met with Williams Bay Village Administrator Becky Tobin they plan to take the EMS agreement to their village board on April 18, 2022. The Williams Bay Protection Committee made no changes to the most recent proposed contract, and everything seems to be on track to go before their village board.

Adjournment

Trustee McGreevy/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 11:23 am, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Drew Lussow Village Clerk

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: 05/02/2022