

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

**(Final Minutes)**

**Finance Committee**

August 24, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chairman Pat Kenny at 4:02 pm on Thursday, August 24, 2023.

**Members Present:** President Pat Kenny, Bob Klockars, Rob Rowe, Mike Sheyker,

**Members Absent:** Tom Marek, Jim Feeney, Thomas Freytag

**Also Present:** Liz Baumann, Theresa Loomer, Wolf Nitsch, Terry Tavera

**Visitors Heard**

None

**General Business**

**Approve Minutes for Meeting held on July 27, 2023**

The minutes for the July 27, 2023 meeting were distributed.

Rowe/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the minutes from July 27, 2023, meeting as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Discussion or Action on Fontana Capital Improvement Plan**

Administrator Loomer and Terry Tavera presented the potential Fontana Capital Improvement Plan. The last big project was in 2020 and included Lake Shore Drive. Loomer explained the potential projects are assigned by priority groups. Items in the priority one group have been potentially scheduled as 2024 projects, with a total of all 2024 projects at \$5,246,000. The potential 2024 projects include Fontana Ave total reconstruction, Berwyn Dr. reconstruction, Shabbona Drive (mill and overlay), construction of new well to replace well #4, and rehab of well #4 for emergency situations (fire), and Big Foot County Club storm water channel. The Village plans to borrow funds for these projects.

Klockars/Rowe 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve and send to the Village Board the presented Fontana Capital Improvement Plans, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Discussion or Action on the 2024 Annual Budget Schedule**

Administrator Loomer presented the draft 2024 budget schedule. The committee determined the workshop dates: Monday, Sept 18<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM, Tuesday, Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM, with Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4:00 PM as the tentative meeting if needed. The Full Board and Finance Committee Budget Workshop will be Tuesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM.

**Discussion or Action on 030308-02 Resolution Grant Applications**

Loomer presented resolution 030308-02 which states that the Village Board needed to review and make final approval for all grant applications before submittal. She stated that with many small grant opportunities available, this is a lot to ask of the board.

Klockars/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to recommend that the Village Board repeal Resolution 030308-02, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

**Discussion or Action on EMS/Fire Shift Lead Pay**

Chief Nitsch explained how the implemented “Shift Lead” stipend is paid to longer term employees who will act as house lieutenant, house captains, and mid-level supervisors during an assigned shift. This program helps the Chiefs determine who are the shining stars, plus provides an incentive for the staff who have passed the probation period. The Chiefs have noticed that two

things are starting to happen; they are losing their current paramedics and losing applicants that have interviewed and been offered the position but turn down the offer because of low pay. Chief Nitsch explained that we can't afford to lose the leaders in the department. He is recommending raising the \$1 shift lead pay by \$2 to a new rate of \$3 per hour.

Rowe/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve the \$2 per hour increase for the Shift Lead, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Recommend Village Board Approval of \$2.3 Million Dollar Transfer from Utility Fund to General Fund**

Treasurer Baumann explained that the Utility Fund owes a significant amount to the General Fund. She stated that the Utility Fund currently has a balance of \$2.8. She would like to retain a reserve to cover six months of operating expenses which would release \$2.3 million to be transferred to the General Fund.

Rowe/Sheyker 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to approve moving \$2.3 million from Utility Fund to the General Fund, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

### **Set Next Meeting Date**

A next meeting date is not needed currently due to budget schedule meetings without departments taking place.

### **Adjournment**

Sheyker/Klockars 2<sup>nd</sup> made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 pm, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Liz Baumann, Treasurer

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

APPROVED: 1/25/2024