

VILLAGE OF MCFARLAND

Village Board Minutes

Monday, October 11, 2021 - 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Village President Clow called the regular meeting of the McFarland Village Board to order at 7:00 pm in the Community Room of the McFarland Municipal Center.

2. ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL.

Village Board members present: Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, Village President Carolyn Clow, Village Trustee Michael Flaherty, Village Trustee Justin Rupert, Village Trustee Chris St. Clair, Village Trustee Carrie Nelson, Village Trustee Edward Wreh

Village Board members not present: None.

Staff Present: Administrator Matt Schuenke, Clerk/Treasurer Cassandra Suettinger, Police Chief Aaron Chapin, Community and Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer, Public Works Director Jim Hessling, and Communications & Technology Director Stephanie Miller.

3. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

a. Public Announcements

1) Wisconsin Community Media features the Village's Communications and Technology Department as Media Center of the month.

President Clow reported the Wisconsin Community Media featured the Village's Communications and Technology Department as Media Center of the month. She highlighted them and thanked them for the great work they do in and for the Village.

b. Public Communications

None.

4. CONSENT AGENDA.

a. All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be approved in one motion unless a Board member requests that the item be removed for individual discussion and action. Any item(s) removed for individual consideration shall be considered in the same order in which they were originally listed on the agenda under Business.

1) Motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2021 joint meeting of the Library and Village Board(s).

2) Motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2021 Village Board meeting.

3) Motion to approve checks in the amount of \$280,563.16.

4) Motion to approve Resolution 2021-23 A Partial Release of Covenants and Restrictions for Maintenance of Stormwater Management Measures at 4313 Triangle Street.

Motion by Village President Carolyn Clow, second by Village Trustee Justin Rupert, to

approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carries 7 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

5. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

- a. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Village Board. Please remember this is a virtual meeting conducted through the Zoom online meeting platform. Zoom meeting attendees wishing to address the board may do so using the Question and Answer feature within the Zoom online meeting platform. You may state your name, address, and provide your comments to the board for their consideration. Members of the public who are present in person and wish to address the board should fill out a public comment form and turn into the meeting chairperson. Members of the public may speak during public appearances or during their selected agenda item as they designate on the public comment form. Please adhere to the 3-minute time limit. Additionally, you may send your public comments to cassandra.suettinger@mcfarland.wi.us to be included as part of the meeting.

Clerk/Treasurer Suettinger read the following comments into the record:

Luke Fessler, 6409 Fox Run, in favor of waiving the park fees for Northpointe Development for their affordable housing project.

Christine Pribbenow, 5103 Black Walnut Drive, in favor of waiving the park fees for Northpointe Development for their affordable housing project.

Meghan Fessler, 6409 Fox Run, in favor of waiving the park fees for Northpointe Development for their affordable housing project.

Anthony Plourde, 6021 Shooting Star Court, in opposition of waiving the park fees for Northpointe Development for their affordable housing project.

6. BUSINESS.

- a. Discussion and action on a request by Northpointe Development to waive park impact fees for their affordable housing project, Prairie Pointe, under the provisions of Sec. 8-464(d)(4) of the Municipal Code.

Motion by Trustee Stephanie Brassington, second by Trustee Justin Rupert, to approve waiving park fees for Northpointe Development for their affordable housing project, Prairie Pointe, under the provisions of Sec. 8-464(d)(4) of the Municipal Code in the amount of \$134,808.

The Board discussed the proposal in great detail. The Board discussed affordable housing as an important initiative the Board has identified wanting to move forward in recent years.

Community & Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer presented an overview of the request and also provided information on how other communities handle requests of this nature. He identified that it is not uncommon in other communities for park fees to be waived both partially or in full for affordable housing projects.

Motion by President Carolyn Clow, second by Trustee Chris St. Clair, to amend the motion to additionally provide that the portion of the park fees not being waived be paid for at the time the building permit is issued. Motion to accept the amendment carries 7 - 0 - 0 by acclamation. Amended motion carries 7 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

b. Public Utilities Committee (Trustees Wreh & Nelson)

1) Discussion and action regarding tuck pointing for Well #1.

Motion by Village Trustee Edward Wreh, second by Village Trustee Carrie Nelson, to award tuck pointing of Well #1 to Statz's Restoration and Engineering and not to exceed \$19,000. Motion carries 7 - 0 - 0 by acclamation.

c. Discussion and review of the 2022 Budget including the following sections:

1) Changes since the last distribution.

Village Administrator Schuenke provided there were no changes to report since the last distribution.

2) Public Hearing Notice.

Village Administrator Schuenke presented an overview of the 2022 proposed budget public hearing notice. He noted the public hearing is scheduled for October 25, 2021 at the regular Village Board meeting.

3) Debt Service Fund (300).

Village Administrator Schuenke presented an overview of the Debt Service Fund (300).

4) Tax Increment District #3 Fund (305).

Village Administrator Schuenke and Community and Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer presented an overview of the Tax Increment District #3 (305).

5) Tax Increment District #4 Fund (310).

Village Administrator Schuenke and Community and Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer presented an overview of the Tax Increment District #4 (310).

6) Tax Increment District #5 Fund (315).

Village Administrator Schuenke and Community and Economic Development Director Andrew Bremer presented an overview of the Tax Increment District #5 (315).

7) Review schedule for future meetings.

Village Administrator Schuenke highlighted the next review of the 2022 Village Budget will occur on October 14th at 6 p.m. during the special Village Board meeting.

d. Future Authority, Board, Commission, and Committee agenda items requests and referrals - This is an opportunity for Village board members to put forth Authority, Board, Commission and Committee agenda item requests and referrals, without discussion.

Trustee Nelson referred the matter of how the Village's code of ordinances can be adjusted to support development of affordable housing within the Village.

Trustee St. Clair referred the matter of the signs on CTH MN now that the road work east of the Village is complete.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Village President Carolyn Clow, second by Village Trustee Stephanie Brassington, to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the public and posted on the public bulletin boards in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Respectfully submitted,
Cassandra Suettinger
Village Clerk/Treasurer