

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN
(Official Minutes)

MONTHLY MEETING of the VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Monday, April 7, 2014

Village President Arvid Petersen called the meeting of the Village Board to order at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall, 175 Valley View Drive, Fontana, Wisconsin.

Trustees Present: Roll call vote: Cindy Wilson, George Spadoni, Bill Gage, President Petersen, Pat Kenny, Rick Pappas

Trustee Absent: Tom McGreevy

Also Present: Jade Bolack, Merilee Holst, Library Director Nancy Krei, Clerk/Administrator Dennis Martin, Micki O'Connell, David Prudden, Dale Thorpe, Treasurer Scott Vilona

Visitors Heard

None

Announcements

1. FW/WPCC Monthly Board Meeting – **Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 7:30 pm**
2. GLLEA Board Meeting – **Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 10:00 am**
3. Village Board Organizational Meeting – **Tuesday, April 15, 2014, 6:00 pm**
4. Library Board Meeting – **Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 10:00 am**
5. Plan Commission Staff Meeting – **Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 1:00 pm**
6. Joint Review Board Meeting – **Thursday, April 17, 2014, 4:00 pm**
7. GLEA Board Meeting – **Thursday, April 17, 2014, 7:00 pm**
8. Village Hall & Public Library Closed – **Friday, April 18, 2014**
9. Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Duck Pond – **Saturday, April 19, 2014, 10:00 am**
10. Protection Committee Meeting – **Monday, April 21, 2014, 5:00 pm**
11. Finance Committee Meeting – **Thursday, April 24, 2014, 6:00 pm**
12. Arbor Day and IMBD Observance Program at Fontana School – **Friday, April 25, 2014, 10:00 am**
13. Plan Commission Monthly Meeting – **Monday, April 28, 2014, 5:30 pm**
14. Lakefront Committee Meeting – **Wednesday, April 30, 2014, 4:30 pm**

President Petersen also announced that the meeting was the last for outgoing Trustee Cindy Wilson, who did not seek reelection on April 1, 2014. Petersen thanked Wilson on behalf of the Village for her many years of service to the CDA, the Park Commission and the Village Board. Wilson served as a trustee and the chairman of the Park Commission from April 2010 to April 2014. Martin stated that the Park Commission will be planning a party at the Park House to recognize and thank Wilson for her volunteer service. Martin also announced that the Village Hall Saturday morning customer service hours will commence for the season on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 10:00 am to noon.

Approval of Village Board Minutes

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes for the meetings held March 3 and 20, 2014, as presented. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

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

The February 2014 Treasurer's, Vendor and Payroll Overtime reports were distributed.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Treasurer's, Payroll Overtime and Vendor reports as distributed and to place them on file for the audit, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Approval of Village and Utility Payables

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to approve the payable list as distributed, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

General Business – President Petersen

Fontana TIF District No. 1 Distressed Declaration – Update

The preliminary minutes for the Joint Review Board meeting held April 2, 2014 were distributed. The

county representative on the Joint Review Board asked the Village to schedule another preliminary informational meeting prior to the consideration of the authorization resolutions by the CDA and the Village Board, which also has to conduct a public hearing. The next Joint Review Board meeting to consider the proposal to have the TID declared distressed is scheduled for Thursday, April 17, 2014 at 4:00 pm. The CDA and Village Board are scheduled to meet to conduct the public hearing and consider the adopting resolutions on Monday, May 5, 2014 beginning at 5:45 pm.

Geneva Lake Use Committee Bylaws Amendment

Petersen stated that the updated bylaws for the recently reestablished Geneva Lake Use Committee were reviewed and some minor amendments were made to the distributed document.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to approve the updated bylaws for the Geneva Lake Use Committee as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Bow and Crossbow Hunting Ordinance Amendment

The ordinance amendment was drafted to address a recent change in the state statutes approved in Act 71 that places restrictions on the village's authority to establish minimum acreage sizes for the purpose of hunting with archery equipment on privately owned lots. Pappas stated that as well as the proposed amendment to Section 42-42 of the Municipal Code, the Village Board should make sure that the restriction of hunting on village property can still be controlled by the Village. Thorpe stated that the Village will still be able to dictate who is authorized to hunt on specific Village parcels.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to table the item and to refer the proposed ordinance to the Protection Committee for review and a recommendation. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Operator's License Application Filed by William R. Dalzell and Nelida Castaneda, Abbey Resort, and Henry Johnson, Gordy's Boat House

There were no concerns in the required background checks for the applications filed by William Dalzell and Nelida Castaneda, employees at the Abbey Resort. There are some concerns with the application filed by Henry Johnson that have to be addressed prior to Village Board consideration.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Gage 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Operator's License applications filed by William R. Dalzell and Nelida Castaneda, employees at the Abbey Resort, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Gage 2nd made a MOTION to table the Operator's License application filed by Henry Johnson, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Protection Committee – President Petersen

Approve Hiring of CSO Officer

The Protection Committee recommended the hiring of Marissa Salas as the annual community service officer. Spadoni stated the Chief Olson should have the CSO officer attend a Village Board meeting in order for the trustees to have a chance to meet her.

President Petersen/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to approve the probationary hiring of Marissa Salas as the community service officer, subject to the completion of the required background check, as recommended. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Fire Dept. Ladder Truck Tower Maintenance Proposal

Petersen stated that in order to continue to use the truck until it is replaced, and to make the truck more attractive and worth more money when it is sold, the Protection Committee recommended having the repairs completed on the hydraulic system. Petersen stated that the Fire Department received an estimate of \$15,000 for the repair work.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve an amount not to exceed \$15,000 to fund the necessary repairs for the Fire and Rescue Department ladder truck, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Police Dept. 2005 Ford Crown Victoria Direction on Selling

The new Police Department 2014 Ford Explorer will replace the 2005 Ford Crown Victoria squad car, and the Village has previously sold old squad cars on eBay through the auction process.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to authorize staff to sell the 2005 Ford Crown Victoria in an auction on eBay, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Park Commission – Trustee Wilson

Park Permit Applications Filed for Big Foot High School Class Reunion Picnic, Duck Pond Pavilion with Beer/Wine Permit, August 2, 2014; Geneva Lake United Soccer Club Picnic, Duck Pond Pavilion, May 31, 2014; Geneva Lake United Youth Soccer Club, Park House, April 6, 2014

There are no conflicts with the proposed events, and the Park Commission recommended approval; however, the April 6, 2014 Geneva Lake United Youth Soccer Club meeting at the Park House was held the previous day and the application was just on the agenda for informational purposes.

Trustee Wilson/Trustee Spadoni 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Park Permit application filed for a Big Foot High School Class Reunion Picnic at the Duck Pond Pavilion with a Beer/Wine Permit, on August 2, 2014, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Gage 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Park Permit application filed by the Geneva Lake United Soccer Club for a picnic at the Duck Pond Pavilion on May 31, 2014, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Pioneer Park Plans to Replace Crab Trees – Allocate Tree Reforestation Funds

Wilson stated that the Park Commission approved a motion to recommend Village Board approval of a landscaping plan to replace the crab trees and bushes in Pioneer Park for a cost not to exceed \$2,300, and to allocate the funds from the Park Commission Tree Reforestation Fund if appropriate. Village Auditor Pat Romenesko informed village staff that the Reforestation Fund can be used for the project, and for tree trimming and pruning project expenses; however, a budget amendment will be necessary to transfer the funds from the Tree Reforestation Fund to the General Fund.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Gage 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Pioneer Park landscaping plan to replace the crab trees and bushes for a cost not to exceed \$2,300, with the funds to be allocated from the Park Commission Tree Reforestation Fund, as recommended, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Arbor Day Proclamation Approval

The annual proclamation is required for the Tree City USA designation. The annual Arbor Day Program will be held at Fontana Elementary School on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 10:00 am. Martin read the proclamation into the record.

Trustee Wilson/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Village of Fontana Arbor Day Proclamation as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Finance Committee – Trustee Kenny

LWMMI Insurance Renewal

The renewal quote for 2014-15 submitted by the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance program for the Village's liability, Automobile Physical Damage, No-Fault Sewer, Property, Crime, and Public Officials Bond policies, and for the Fire Department's Accident and Health policy with Provident calls for a \$308 increase from the 2013-14 policy year. The total estimated premium for renewal is \$104,205, which is up 0.3 percent from the 2013-14 total premium of \$103,897.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve the \$104,205 estimated premium for the 2014-15 League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance renewal package as recommended, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

2014 Pay Resolution Recommendation

The Finance Committee approved a motion at its monthly meeting to recommend Village Board approval of the raises included in the 2014 budget for the fulltime non union employees, which was based on the 1.66 CPI increase; and for the \$10,000 raise that was included in the budget for Police Chief Steve Olson. Spadoni stated that all the non union fulltime employees, except for Martin, received 1.6 to 1.9 percent raises in the proposed resolution, and Chief Olson should not be getting a \$10,000 raise, which is a 16 percent increase from 2013. Spadoni stated that the Village Board should consider approving the raises as presented, with the exception that the raise for Chief Olson should

also just be 1.6 percent at this time, which would be a total increase of \$1,032. Spadoni then made a motion, seconded by Gage to approve Resolution 040714-01, setting the exempt salaried and hourly non union personnel rates for the 2014 calendar year as presented, with the exception of the 2014 salary for the Chief of Police should be amended to \$63,250. Spadoni stated that the salary and performance evaluation for Chief Olson can be revisited in a future closed session. Spadoni stated that following the closed session, Chief Olson's raise could be reconsidered; however, the other employee raises should not be delayed at this time. Wilson stated that she thought the Village Board already had that discussion at budget time and that the raises were already approved. Kenny stated that the Finance Committee recommended the raises at budget planning time, and the Village Board included the raises in the final budget; however, the annual pay resolution is the final authorization for the non union salaries. Pappas asked if the Village Board should table the item until after the raise recommendation for Chief Olson is settled. Spadoni stated that it is not necessary to delay the other raises, and Chief Olson can be given the same 1.6 percent raise as the other employees at this time. Petersen stated that if there were no other questions or comments, he would call for a Roll Call vote on the motion on the floor.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Gage 2nd made a MOTION to approve Resolution 040714-01, setting exempt salaried and hourly non union personnel rates for the 2014 calendar year as presented, with the exception of the 2014 salary for the Chief of Police should be amended to \$63,250. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Trustee Spadoni – Aye

Trustee Gage – Aye

President Petersen – Aye

Trustee Kenny – Aye

Trustee Pappas – No

Trustee Wilson – No

The MOTION carried on a 4-2 vote, with Trustee Pappas and Wilson opposed, and Trustee McGreevy absent.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION to direct staff to schedule a closed session meeting to discuss the proposed salary increase and performance evaluation for the Chief of Police prior to May 1, 2014, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Lakefront Committee – Trustee Pappas **2014 Mooring Lease Applications Approval**

Pappas stated that the Lakefront and Harbor Committee recommended approval of the 2014 mooring lease applications that were submitted prior to the March 26, 2014 committee meeting, subject to all the required documents being submitted by the applicants.

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Pappas 2nd made a MOTION to approve the 2014 mooring lease applications as listed, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Adjournment

Trustee Spadoni/Trustee Kenny 2nd made a MOTION at 6:22 pm to adjourn the meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Dennis L. Martin, Village Clerk/Administrator

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: 5/5/14