

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN
(Official Minutes)
Finance Committee Monthly Meeting
May 28, 2020

The Finance Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Kenny at 2:00 pm on Thursday, May 28, 2020.

Members Present: President Pat Kenny, Thomas Freytag, Mike Sheyker, Bill Grunow, Jim Feeney

Members Absent: Bob Klockars, Tom Marek

Also Present: Kevin Day, Theresa Loomer, Stephanie Smith, Scott Vilona

Visitors Heard

None

General Business

Approve Minutes for Meeting Held March 2, 2020

Feeney/Freytag 2nd made a MOTION to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 2, 2020, as presented, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

FW/WPCC Clean Water Fund/Pilot Program Loans

Treasurer Vilona stated the Fontana/Walworth Water Pollution Control Commission is undergoing a phosphorus removal modification project. This project has two loan programs through the Department of Natural Resources. The first loan program which the Village has utilized before is the Clean Water Fund. The DNR has just recently added a new program called the Pilot Program, which is still being finalized and as a result is delaying the process. Vilona explained this was basically put on the Village to do and is not a decision on the Villages part. The total project is around 3.3 Million and the Villages portion is 1.65 Million. President Kenny explained they have already broke ground, so costs have already been incurred and loans were supposed to close in May but due to the Pilot Program being finalized that has been delayed.

Interim Finance Needs and Options

Vilona stated due to the delay in loans closing there may be a need for interim financing. The anticipated closing date is now August, which leaves a need for interim financing in the amount of \$493,000. Vilona explained the Village has a couple different options to consider. The first option is to go through our bank and finance a short-term loan. He explained he had already verified with the bank there is no prepayment penalty. The second option would be to use cash we have on hand and replenish once the loans close. President Kenny stated he would prefer to not to take out another loan and use the cash on hand with the idea it will be replenished. Vilona stated the cash on hand is from the bonding for the S. Lakeshore Drive project and wants to clarify with the Village's financial advisors it will not be an issue to use those funds if they will be replenished. President Kenny agreed it would be best to have financial advisors or Village attorney clarify before we use those funds.

Freytag/Sheyker 2nd made a MOTION to recommend the use of cash on hand if legal advisors agree and if not pursue short term financing, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Bond Counsel and Engineering Consulting Agreements

Vilona stated this agreement was received on the date of the last meeting and he did not have time to drill down on it so that is why it is being presented to the Finance Committee again. Vilona explained any time there is a bond issuance the Village must have a bond counsel. The only downside is the DNR requires two different loans for this project so the result is it will cost more. Strand offers consulting so they will provide guidance on completing the applications for both DNR programs.

Freytag/Sheyker 2nd made a MOTION to recommend Village Board approval of the Bond Counsel and Engineering Consulting Agreements, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Covid-19 Impact on Variable Revenues

Vilona stated he took a comparison of the numbers through May of this year compared to the same time frame last year. The overall comparison shows less than a 1% decrease from last year.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date was scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 2:00 pm.

Adjournment

Feeney/Freytag 2nd made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 2:29 pm, 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 Finance Committee, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 09/03/20