



Village of Bayside
9075 N Regent Road
Board of Trustees Meeting
December 14, 2023
Village Board Room, 6:00pm

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meeting Minutes**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Walny called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

President: Eido Walny
Trustees: Mike Barth
Elizabeth Levins
Kelly Marrazza – excused
Dan Rosenfeld – excused
Bob Rudman
Margaret Zitzer

Also Present: Village Manager Andy Pederson
Assistant Manager Leah Hofer
Administrative Services Director Rachel Safstrom
Police Chief Thomas Liebenthal
Police Officer Matthew Wierzchowski
Operations Superintendent Shane Albers
Municipal Technician Jake Averill
Communications Center Director Liane Scharnott
Assistant to the Communications Center Director Eric Poulsen
Village Attorney Chris Jaekels
9 Audience members
1 Audience member via Zoom

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. CITIZENS AND DELEGATIONS

Gerry Feldman, 133 E Glencoe Place (see attached).

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- A. November 2023 Financial Statement.
- B. Board of Trustees meeting minutes for November 16, 2023.
- C. Summary of Disbursements for November 8, 2023, through December 1, 2023, in the amount of \$485,873.82.
- D. November 2023 Community Impact Report.
- E. Appointment of 2024 Poll Workers Chief Inspectors: Margaret Zitzer, Lesly Tiainen; Election Inspectors and Tabulators John Tianen, Marisa Roberts, Diana Pogoriler, Shari Shamah, Abigail Nash, Penny Goldman, Marne Struck, John Safstrom; Democratic Party List of Nominees: Elizabeth

Colacino, Joseph Colacino, Susan Leslie, John Rodgers, Brenda Stelzer, Eilene Stevens, Elizabeth Vokac; Republican Party List of Nominees: Tara Clark, Bill Finke, Sean Clark, Candace Burger, Julia Pandl, Bonne Dick, Gil Rosen.

- F. Resolution 23-22, a Resolution to Amend the 2023 Budget.
- G. 2024 Urban Forestry Grant Award from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in the Amount of \$25,000.

Trustee Levins removed Item A from the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Zitzer removed Item B from the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Zitzer, to approve: Summary of Disbursements for November 8, 2023, through December 1, 2023, in the amount of \$485,873.82; November 2023 Community Impact Report; Appointment of 2024 Poll Workers Chief Inspectors: Margaret Zitzer, Lesly Tiainen; Election Inspectors and Tabulators John Tianen, Marisa Roberts, Diana Pogoriler, Shari Shamah, Abigail Nash, Penny Goldman, Marne Struck, John Safstrom; Democratic Party List of Nominees: Elizabeth Colacino, Joseph Colacino, Susan Leslie, John Rodgers, Brenda Stelzer, Eilene Stevens, Elizabeth Vokac; Republican Party List of Nominees: Tara Clark, Bill Finke, Sean Clark, Candace Burger, Julia Pandl, Bonne Dick, Gil Rosen; Resolution 23-22, a Resolution to Amend the 2023 Budget; 2024 Urban Forestry Grant Award from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources in the Amount of \$25,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Levins questioned the Fund 23 Tax Incremental Financing District 1 revenue on the November 2023 Financial Statement. Village Manager Pederson stated that the revenue is reimbursement for professional fees. Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Zitzer, to approve the November 2023 Financial Statement. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Rudman, to approve the Board of Trustees meeting minutes for November 16, 2023. Motion carried (4- 0 – Trustee Zitzer abstained).

V. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION REPORTS

- 1. Ceremonial Oath of Office and Swearing-in of Police Officer Matthew Wierzchowski.

Chief Liebenthal introduced Matthew Wierzchowski who joined the Bayside Police Department in December. Officer Wierzchowski has prior police experience with the City of Milwaukee and served in the military.

Administrative Services Director Rachel Safstrom administered the ceremonial oath of office. Chief Liebenthal spoke on Officer Wierzchowski’s qualifications and achievements.

- 2. Introduction of Public Works Municipal Technician Jake Averill.

Operations Superintendent Shane Albers introduced Jake Averill, who joined the Bayside Public Works Department as a Municipal Technician in October. Municipal Technician Averill has over 8 years of arbor and tree cutting experience. Operations Superintendent Albers spoke on Municipal Technician Averill’s qualifications and achievements.

- 3. Introduction of Assistant to the Bayside Communications Center Director Eric Poulsen.

Communications Center Director Liane Scharnott introduced Eric Poulsen, who was recently promoted to Assistant to the Bayside Communications Center Director. Poulsen has been with Bayside Communications for two years and

has prior experience as a paramedic. Communications Center Director Scharnott spoke on Eric Poulsen's qualifications and achievements.

4. Public Works Committee

- a. Discussion/action on October and November 2023 Department of Public Works Report.

Operations Superintendent Albers gave a brief overview of the October and November 2023 Department of Public Works Reports. Of significant note, mastic was installed around sanitary manholes to reduce infrastructure and plow damage. Other than a few days in October, the Public Works Department performed collections on every day in October and November for yard waste, garbage/recycling, or loose-leaf collection.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Barth, to approve the October and November 2023 Department of Public Works Report. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Discussion/action on Memorandum of Understanding M10005BA02 between the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and the Village of Bayside for Private Property Infiltration and Inflow Reduction Agreement.

Operations Superintendent Albers gave a brief overview of the Memorandum of Understanding M10005BA02 between MMSD and the Village of Bayside for Private Property Infiltration and Inflow Reduction Agreement. The memorandum is directly related to the PPII program and the project is 100% funded by MMSD.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Barth to approve the Memorandum of Understanding M10005BA02 between the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District and the Village of Bayside for Private Property Infiltration and Inflow Reduction Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-744, an Ordinance to Create Section 107-90 of the Municipal Code with Regard Erosion Control Regulations.

Operations Superintendent Albers gave a brief overview of Ordinance 23-744, an Ordinance to Create Section 107-90 of the Municipal Code with Regard Erosion Control Regulations. Through the proposed ordinance, framework is being placed to prevent soil erosion and sediment discharge.

Motion by Trustee Levins, seconded by Trustee Barth, to approve Ordinance 23-744. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-745, an Ordinance to Amend Part II, Chapter 122, Article III with regard to Stormwater and Erosion Management and Control.

Assistant Manager Leah Hofer provided a brief overview of Ordinance 23-745, Ordinance to Amend Part II, Chapter 122, Article III with regard to Stormwater and Erosion Management and Control. Ordinance 23-745 changes the title of Article III. The previous title pertained to both storm water and erosion control. This ordinance removes erosion control from the title as the new erosion control ordinance was created in the previous item.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Barth, to approve Ordinance 23-745. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Public Safety Committee

- a. Discussion/action on October and November 2023 Communications Center Report.

Communications Center Director Scharnott provided a brief overview of the October and November 2023 Communications Center Report. Of significant note, the Communications Center partnered with Goodwill

Industries in providing 911 education and job shadowing at the Communications Center. Two additional staff members, Mindy Gwinn and Dontrell Balentine, were hired. Two new Certified Training Officers will be starting in January.

Motion by Trustee Rudman, seconded by Trustee Levins, to approve the October and November 2023 Communications Center Report. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Discussion/action on October and November 2023 Police Department Report.

Chief Liebenthal provided a brief overview of the October and November 2023 Police Department Report. Of significant note, Officer Russell held a successful pumpkin carving event at Bayside Gardens. The trading card program was also successful.

Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Rudman, to approve the October and November Police Department Report. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Discussion/action on Chapter DMA 2 PSAP Grant Program Award.

Director Scharnott provided a brief overview of Chapter DMA 2 PSAP Grant Program Award. The grant will be used to fund three large projects related to NextGen 911 upgrades and establishing offsite evacuation and back up centers.

Motion by Trustee Rudman, seconded by Trustee Levins, to accept the Chapter DMA 2 PSAP Grant Program Award. Motion carried unanimously.

- d. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-746, an Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 35-121 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Entering or Staying Upon Streets or Panhandling on Public Property or Rights-of-Way.

Chief Liebenthal provided a brief overview of Ordinance 23-746, an Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 35-121 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Entering or Staying Upon Streets or Panhandling on Public Property or Rights-of-Way. The existing ordinance is vague, whereas the proposed ordinance is more direct.

Motion by Trustee Rudman, seconded by Trustee Levins, to approve Ordinance 23-746. Motion approved unanimously.

- e. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-747, an Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 35-119 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Loitering.

Chief Liebenthal provided a brief overview of Ordinance 23-747, an Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 35-119 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Loitering. Chief Liebenthal spoke on changes to the section related to loitering on private property.

Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Levins, to approve Ordinance 23-747. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Finance and Administration Committee

- a. Discussion/action on October and November 2023 Administrative Services Report.

Administrative Services Director Rachel Safstrom provided a brief overview of the October and November 2023 Administrative Services Report. Administrative Services Director Safstrom noted that tax bills were mailed in December and explained the school levy tax credit allocation.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Rudman, to approve the October and November 2023 Administrative Services Report. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-748, an Ordinance to Create Section 2-109 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Appointment of Election Officials.

Administrative Services Director Safstrom provided a brief overview of Ordinance 23-748, an Ordinance to Create Section 2-109 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Appointment of Election Officials. This ordinance will allow for election inspectors to work split shifts.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Levins, to approve Ordinance 23-748. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Discussion/action on Ordinance 23-749, an Ordinance to Amend Section 104-98 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Building Permit Requirements.

Trustee Barth provided a brief overview of Ordinance 23-749, an Ordinance to Amend Section 104-98 of the Municipal Code with Regard to Building Permit Requirements. This ordinance involves changes to impervious surface permit requirements.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Levins, to approve Ordinance 23-749. Motion carried unanimously.

II. VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Walny spoke on 2023 accomplishments including the PSAP designation and grant, the OneNorth project, and new library project.

III. VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Pederson spoke on the upcoming holiday drop off. Manager Pederson commended staff for their grant work in 2023 and noted that the Board approved about one million dollars collectively in grants tonight.

IV. VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

- A. Pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons allow a Closed Session. (Teamsters Local 200 Police Union Negotiations) (Dispatching Services Agreement)
- B. Pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (Manager)

Manager Pederson stated there is no need to enter into closed session as two of the items are not ready for discussion. The Teamsters Local 200 Police Union negotiation can be discussed in open session. Teamsters have agreed to have their clothing allowance paid annually in January on the payroll check. This becomes a taxable benefit.

Motion by Trustee Zitzer, seconded by Trustee Barth, to approve the clothing allowance side letter to the current agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Barth, seconded by Trustee Zitzer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Hello, neighbors. I'm Gerry Feldman of 133 E Glencoe Place, and I'm here to expose the abuse of power by our leaders on the OneNorth project.

First, I want to thank the staff at village Hall for restoring the missing meeting minutes on the Board of Trustees page. They did their job well, unlike our leaders.

I love this community, and I respect public service. I expect our leaders to serve the people, not themselves. To listen to the people, not silence them. To be honest and transparent, not secretive and deceptive.

But our leaders have failed us on the OneNorth project. They have lied to us, cheated us, and ignored us. And they have done it all behind our backs.

They promised us a library on the first floor of a five-story apartment building, but the development agreement says nothing about a library. The president said we had to reelect him to get this library, but the library is still not funded. There is a 4 million dollar gap, and the deadline is in two weeks. What will happen then? Where is the money?

They also made us pay a huge price for this project. We are losing millions of dollars in revenue until 2042, and our tax levy limit will increase due to the construction. Now we are seeing referendum upon referendum to cover revenue shortfalls. And it's all based on a lie that the whole area was blighted.

They had a chance to renegotiate the deal in July, when the developer admitted they couldn't keep their promise. But instead of getting a better deal for us, they let the developer off the hook, without any concessions. And they did it in a hastily arranged meeting on a Thursday morning, when most of us were at work.

My friends, this is not democracy. This is not how our community should be treated. We deserve the truth, and we deserve a voice. We deserve better.

That's why I urge you to join me in demanding accountability from our leaders. Let's ask them to explain the funding gap, the tax implications, and the blight designation. Let's ask them why they betrayed us, and how they will fix it. And let's make sure they hear us loud and clear.

Thank you for your time and attention.