

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Time: **5:30 pm**

Place: **Mukwonago Municipal Building, 440 River Crest Ct., Mukwonago, WI 53149**

Call to Order Call to Order

President Winchowky called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

Eric Brill
James Decker
Darlene Johnson
Ken Johnson
John Meiners (arrived at 5:36pm)
Scott Reeves
Fred Winchowky

Also Present

Fred Schnook, Village Administrator
Diana Dykstra, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Diana Doherty, Finance Director
Dan Streit, Police Chief
Village Attorney
Ron Bittner, Public Works Director
Wayne Castle, Utilities Director
Jeff Stien, Fire Chief
Tim Rutenbeck, Building Inspector

New Business

Review and approve the addition of Village Board Capital Project Requests to be added to the (5) Year Capital Improvement Plan (*each item to be voted on separately*)

- **Eagle Lake Avenue Sidewalk Repair or Replacement**

It was noted this item is included in another project set for 2026. No action required.

- **Lights for Indian Head Park Outdoor Stage**

President Winchowky wished to have lights along the trail/walkway and would like to add them. Bittner reached out to get quotes and noted nothing returned yet. He suggested placing into the CIP.

Winchowky/K Johnson motion to place lights for the Indian Head Outdoor Stage Walkway on the CIP for 2024. Unanimously carried.

Trustee Meiners arrived at 5:36pm.

- **Multi-Use Trail from Phantom Lake Ct to Minor's Park**

This project was to connect the condo project to minors park and minors subdivision. DPW Bittner noted this portion of the trail is in the 2026 CIP. No action was required.

- **Installation of Electric Charging Stations**

DPW Bittner noted that he is under the impression that a Municipality cannot own an electric charging station for public use. He would like attorney review. He did hear there can be a contract for a private vendor. Trustee K Johnson doesn't feel the Village should be funding the charging stations. It is the owner of the vehicle responsibility.

Administrator suggests placing out the longest year to start reviewing if this can happen or what grant funds might be available.

Trustee Decker feels this isn't a need right now, it funds a small group and doesn't help the broad spectrum.

It was suggested to investigate this item further

Winchowky/Meiners to put on the CIP and DPW Bittner will investigate further.

Roll Call "Yes" Trustee Brill, Meiners, Reeves, Winchowky. "No" Trustee Decker, D Johnson, K Johnson. Motion carried 4-3

- **Fox River Pedestrian Bridge**

President Winchowky feels this is a way to connect the village that he feels was overlooked when they built the bridge. He feels it would be utilized by the developments on the other side. Trustee K Johnson commented he doesn't see the feasibility. He sees a connection from one neighborhood to another instead of to a business or destination.

Trustee Brill noted this area is heavily used and he knows residents continue to pack up and head over to another multi use trail to get to other areas in the Village.

Trustee D Johnson noted from the County perspective there was a pedestrian and bike lane but due to underground utilities and the old bridge they couldn't expand it. If there was a way to get rid of the old bridge they would have included in that project.

Bittner noted there is a trail plan and it is recommended to connect neighborhoods. They do have a future plan that shows a connection. It is designed to be implemented by sections as budgets allow. A new estimate is over \$760,000. The Board had wanted a 10-foot path and there is an option to downsize to an 8 foot bridge to reduce cost.

Trustee Meiners noted it was only \$40,000 reduction in price, and feels it should be 10-foot or nothing.

D Johnson/Meiners to place the Fox River Pedestrian Bridge on the CIP for 5 years out for \$770,000. Unanimously carried.

- **Minor's Park Parking Lot Paving**

It was noted these lots create a great deal of dust .

DPW Bittner commented he did receive an estimate of \$255,000 and breaks down all three lots. He would tie these improvements to another project to get better pricing. There is a CIP in 2025 when Bathrooms are completed and suggests it be tied to that project.

President Winchowky would like to see this in a 2-3 year cycle.

Trustee K Johnson noted he viewed this area and does have concerns with the Dust and Mud when its wet.

Winchowky/K Johnson motion to approve the Minor's Park Parking Lot Paving in the Budget CIP for 2025. Unanimously carried.

- **Purchase of 201 N Rochester Property for Downtown Greenspace and/or parking**

Trustee Decker expressed his concern regarding boundaries and existing questions.

Administrator Schnook noted there is an easement on the property. Trustee Meiners noted there is a need for downtown parking and grant funds can be sought.

Meiners/Decker Administrator to review the issue to see if it is possible to purchase.

Roll Call: "Yes" Trustee Decker, Meiners, Reeves, and Winchowky "No" Trustee Brill, D Johnson, K Johnson Motion Carried 4-3

- **Miniwaukan Park Top Coat to walking Trail**

Trustee Meiners noted that he asked for costs to be considered.

DPW Bittner noted that top coating is not an option for water and he feels most of this can be handled as a crack sealing project. He estimates this to be in the \$15-20,000 range. He would try to tie in with another project for maintenance.

Meiners/ D Johnson motion to approve \$15-22,000 to complete the walking trail. Unanimously carried.

- **Indian Head Park Cameras for Beach Area and Performance Stage**

Trustee Meiners requested this item for spring of 2023.

The estimate for a camera at one location is about \$3,500 and Finance Director noted it really isn't a capital item. DPW Bittner noted he will look at his operation budget.

Trustee Meiners would like to make a motion to purchase and install those cameras

Police Dept offered to suggest an initial security camera purchase for this one time only.

Trustee D Johnson noted she would like offer a \$1,000 private donation to this purchase.

● **Replace Red Brick Museum**

This item was requested by Trustee Decker, he suggested a plan be looked at after TID 5 is paid for. He noted the senior club had trouble going through the building. He brought forward for discussion if the future can be reviewed for this.

DPW Bittner noted that there is a placeholder for a new building or facility of \$500,000 however that amount is not enough to build a structure.

Decker/Brill motion to approve placing this item out 7 years for not to exceed 6.1 million in an effort to start thinking about it.

Roll Call: "Yes" Trustee Brill, Decker, D Johnson, Meiners, Reeves, and Winchowky. "No"

Trustee K. Johnson. Motion carried 5-1.

The Board decided to move to the regular scheduled Village Board Meeting and pick up further discussions at the end of that meeting.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:37pm

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Dykstra, MMC
Village Clerk-Treasurer