

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Time: **6:00 pm**

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

Call To Order

Meeting called to order by President Winchowky at 6:00pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

Eric Brill
Darlene Johnson
Ken Johnson
John Meiners
Dale Porter
Scott Reeves
Fred Winchowky

Also Present

Diana Dykstra, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Diana Doherty, Finance Director
Dan Streit, Police Chief
Chris DeMotto, Asst. Police Chief
Wayne Castle, Utilities Director
Ron Bittner, Public Works Director
Jeff Stien, Fire Chief
Abby Armour, Library Director

Public Comment

Ryan Bailey, 619 Prairie Hill Ave., commented he is a Village Administrator and urged the board to look at their capital improvement items to determine what is a need and a want. They have a Library Renovation, which he noted is a want not a need. He noted Mukwonago is in the top 3 per \$1,000 of tax rates and hopefully that can be lowered.

New Business

2025 Budget Workshop

Finance Director Doherty reviewed the operating general fund. She noted that with the Health and COLA we were able to spread a flat amount of \$2,200 for raises. Hourly that is 3-4% which helps. It provides for a 1-1.5% raise for Department Heads.

They were not able to follow the merit policy but did the best they could. This includes the Police Contract settlement amounts and is about a 3.8% increase.

Other departments such as Fire Department saw a 3.12% increase.

Recycling costs increased by \$11,039 due to new homes.

The Library saw a 5.6% increase. They are reimbursed at 70% cost of increased circulation which raises costs. It is only a 1.95% increase for the village portion of the cost.

Other costs remain.

A review of the capital project list and adjustments made to the (5) year projections.

The public hearing will be set for November 20, 2024 and all agreed upon budgets will be posted to the Village Budget page for review prior.

There were no additional questions.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Dykstra, MMC
Village Clerk-Treasurer