

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Time: **5:30 pm**

Place: **Mukwonago Municipal Building/Board Room, 440 River Crest Court,
Mukwonago, WI 53149**

Call to Order

Clerk Dykstra called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Roll Call

Board Members Present

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

Also Present

Diana Dykstra, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Diana Doherty, Finance Director
Chris DeMotto, Asst. Police Chief
Mike Michalski, Ruekert-Mielke
Wayne Castle, Utilities Director
Ron Bittner, Public Works Director
Jeff Stien, Fire Chief
Nathan Bayer, Attorney

Comments from the Public

Jason Wamser, 604 Prairie Hill Ave., commented regarding his concerns for this ordinance regarding cell phone use. He noted the superintendent commented this is for one family and he is not sure this is the best use of time.

Andrea Kokot, Lake Crest Drive, is opposed to the personal communication device ordinance. She felt this is a heavy handed scare tactic and does not believe a police citation will help students behavior. She requests they decline this item.

Stacey Henschel, Meyer Dr, Waukesha, expressed her concerns for this ordinance. Phones are at times the lifeline to parents. She feels this is a reaction and the school district should find another solution.

Jackie Winter, McCarthy Dr, noted a local municipal ordinance should not be written to enforce a school district policy. This is not the village place.

**Porter/K. Johnson motion to bring up item #7.2.
Unanimously carried.**

7.2 Discussion and possible recommendation on Ordinance 1032 prohibiting students use of personal communication devices (PCD's) on school grounds. *(this item was referred from the Village Board meeting of 11-20-24)*

Trustee Porter noted there is no change from the School District point of view. It is a parent problem.

Trustee Reeves thanked everyone for their comments. He noted they tend to respond to public when they bring concerns forward and he plans to vote no.

Trustee K. Johnson noted he is concerned as well and feels this may be an over reach. He is not in favor.

Trustee D. Johnson noted she agrees this is an over reach and has heard the parents in the audience. She doesn't believe a ticket is proper and will be voting no.

Porter/Brill motion to table indefinitely. Unanimously carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of November 6, 2024 Committee of the Whole

Meiners/D Johnson motion to approve. Unanimously carried.

Presentations

Presentation from Trillogy regarding Water and Sewer Rate Increase Case

A presentation from Trilogy outlined the water and sewer rates for the Village and compared to area communities. She noted they plan to move forward with a full water rate case next year and will be implementing a 7% sewer increase in 2025 and another 7% in 2026 to assist with future O&M.

Finance Committee, Trustee Darlene Johnson

Monthly Treasury Report and Revenue/Expenditure Guideline Report For October 2024. *(For information purposes only, no action required)*

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Accounts Payable Vouchers in the amount of \$1,492,409.24.

D. Johnson/Meiners motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Resolution 2024-70, a resolution adopting the 2025 Impact Fee Schedule and Sewer Connection Fee.

D. Johnson/K. Johnson motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Resolution 2024-69 a resolution adopting the Water and Sewer Utilities 2025_Budgets.

D. Johnson/Reeves motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Resolution 2024-71 a resolution adopting the 2025 Tax Increment Finance District_(TID) Budgets.

D. Johnson/Brill motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation on Resolution 2024-72 a resolution to approve the 2025 Fee Schedule.

D. Johnson/Reeves motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Judicial Committee, Trustee Dale Porter

Discussion and possible recommendation to approve Resolution 2024-66 a Resolution establishing the Liquor License Quota information for the Village of Mukwonago.

Porter/Brill motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Library Board of Trustees, Trustee Eric Brill
Library Report for the month of November 2024
(For Information Only, No Action Required)

Personnel Committee, Trustee Ken Johnson

Discussion and possible recommendation to approve educational incentive pay for Officer McKinney as recommended by the Police Commission.

K. Johnson/Porter motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Resolution 2024-67 a resolution adopting the 2025 salary and wage schedules for non-represented employees.

It was noted this range is adjusted by the CPI, doesn't necessarily affect the wage, it is a range.

K. Johnson/Reeves motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the Village Board to approve Resolution 2024-68 a resolution authorizing annual stipends for the Assistant Chief and Deputy Fire Chief.

K. Johnson/Meiners motion to recommend approval. It was noted this is an additional stipend paid for the extra responsibilities for the Fire Department. Unanimously carried.

Public Works Committee, Trustee Eric Brill

Discussion and possible recommendation to approve the final pay request and project acceptance for the Atkinson Pump Station Improvements.

Brill/Meiners motion to recommend approval. Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to approve street Lighting for Cardinal Ridge Phase I.

Brill/Porter motion to recommend approval. It is noted this is paid for by the developer.

Unanimously carried.

Discussion and possible recommendation to grant an easement to WE Energies for parcel MUKV1962989005 to install electrical service from a pedestal across the property to the neighboring property.

Brill/Meiners motion to recommend approval.

Update on STH83 Project

Trustee Brill provided an update to the project noting it has expanded into a more formal reconstruction in certain areas and there is a meeting he will be attending with village staff next week to review more formally the anticipated project and scope. He anticipates 2029 or 2030 latest.

Update on the Water and Wastewater System Master Plan.

Trustee Brill noted this is an update for the Board. R&M is working on the master plan and should have it completed this year. They are working with the DNR new requirement NR854 to incorporate into the plans so we can exceed those requirements now in anticipation for growth.

Closed Session

Meiners/D. Johnson motion to go into Closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats § 19.85 (1) (g) (Conferring with legal counsel who either orally or in writing will advise governmental body on strategy to be adopted with respect to current or likely litigation) concerning GFLP v Village of Mukwonago; and pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 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 require a closed session) for negotiation with Briohn Builders, and Shore Drive Property purchase at 7:30pm.

On motion: Unanimously carried.

Roll Call: "Yes" Trustee Brill, D. Johnson, K. Johnson, Meiners, Porter, Reeves, and Winchowky. Also present: Dykstra, Doherty, DeMotto, Bayer, Michalski, Bittner, and Castle.

Reconvene into Open Session

Meiners/Reeves motion to reconvene into open session pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(2) at 8:08pm.

Roll Call: "Yes" Trustee Brill, D. Johnson, K. Johnson, Meiners, Porter, Reeves, and Winchowky. Unanimously carried.

Meiners/Reeves motion to recommend extension of contract with Briohn Builders for (6) months beginning January 1, 2025.

Roll Call: "Yes" Trustee D. Johnson, K. Johnson, Meiners, Reeves, and Winchowky. "No" Trustee Brill and Porter. Motion carried 5-2.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Dykstra, MMC
Village Clerk-Treasurer