



## VILLAGE OF FOX LAKE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }  
Lake and McHenry Counties, } ss.  
Village of Fox Lake

At the regular Board Meeting, held in said Village and County in the State of Illinois at 6:30 p.m. on February 27, 2024, and held via in-person and via Zoom conference, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Schmit. The following official business was transacted:

### 1. Call to Order

#### Roll Call

Present Mayor Donny Schmit, Village Attorney Jeff Nutschnig, Trustees: Ron Stochl, Jeff Jensen, Brian Marr (via Zoom), Amy Driscoll, Bernice Konwent, Debra Vander Weit and Clerk Michelle Runnion.

Staff also in attendance: Jessica Chernich, Jodi Luka, Mary Locher, John Thompson, Susan Novak, Dawn DeServi, and Lindsay Szafran.

### 2. Approval of Minutes

#### A. Village Board Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2024

*Trustee Konwent made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2024, seconded by Trustee Vander Weit. All were in favor. Motion carried.*

### 3. Approval of the Warrant

#### A. Approval of the Warrant – February 27, 2024

*Trustee Jensen made a motion to approve the Expenditures/Warrants/Transfers for February 27, 2024, in the amount of \$812,761.10, seconded by Trustee Konwent.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

Trustee Jensen	Aye
Trustee Stochl	Aye
Trustee Konwent	Aye
Trustee Marr	Aye
Trustee Driscoll	Aye
Trustee Vander Weit	Aye

***Motion carried***

**4. Special Business (Appointments, Swearing-In Ceremonies, Proclamations)**

*There was none.*

**5. Village President's Report**

*The Mayor shared informational flyers on the 2024 Legislative Program Breakfast on March 9th.*

**MS4 Program and Report Presentation by GHA**

*Karolina Cho of Gewalt Hamilton Associates presented on MS4, the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. She provided some education on what it is and why the inspections are important. Outfall inspections look for odor, color, plant growth, and flow. Each year 20% of outfalls are inspected to cover all outfalls within the 5 years of the permit. She explained the water quality test results and actions that can be taken to improve water quality. She indicated that the timeframe for the renewal of the permit will likely occur by March 2024 and a plan will be developed to comply with the new permit.*

**6. Village Administrator's Report**

*Jessica Chernich shared that the Polar Plunge was a great success with over 250 participants who raised over \$40,000.*

**7. Village Attorney Report**

*There was none.*

**8. Village Treasurer's Report**

**A. Treasurer's Report January 2024**

*Mary Locher presented her report. She shared information regarding cash balances, indicating there is interest earned on those balances, but she would like to consider investments in the future. She plans to provide these updated reports regularly going forward. There were no questions.*

**9. Preliminary Audience Comments (on Agenda Items Only)**

*There were none.*

**10. Motion to Recess to Committee of the Whole Meeting**

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** to recess to the Committee of the Whole, seconded by Trustee Jensen. All were in favor. **Motion carried.***

**A. Strategic Planning Team Reports**

*There were no questions or comments.*

**11. New Business**

**A. Ordinance 2024-06: An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Village Code Related to Penalties for Traffic Violations**

*This item amends and clarifies the various sections of the Village Code related to penalties for traffic violations. There is no budgetary impact.*

**B. Motion to Approve the Façade Improvement Program Application for 278 E. Grand Ave**

*This item is to approve the Façade Improvement Program application for 278 E. Grand Ave. The estimates were provided, and the request is to approve \$4,000.00.*

**C. Motion to Accept the Planning & Zoning Commission's Recommendation to Approve the Petition of Sandy J. Arneson, for a Special Use Permit to Operate a Short-Term Rental at 156 Eagle Point Road**

*This item was removed from the agenda.*

**D. Motion to Approve the Raffle License Application from Lakes Region Post 703 of the American Legion to Conduct a One Day Meat Raffle and Waive the Bond Requirement**

*This item is to approve the raffle license application from Lakes Region Post 703 of the American Legion to conduct a one-day meat raffle and waive the bond requirement.*

**12. Old Business**

*There is none.*

**13. Motion to Adjourn from Committee of the Whole and Reconvene Village Board Meeting**

*Trustee Jensen made a **motion** to adjourn from Committee of the Whole and reconvene the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Konwent. All were in favor. **Motion carried.***

**14. Items to be Removed from Consent Agenda**

*The mayor indicated item C-2 had been removed from the agenda/new business per the request of the Department and will not be voted on.*

**15. Consent Agenda**

All items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Village Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Trustee so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered under the Approval of Exceptions.

**A. Resolutions**

**B. Ordinances**

1. Ordinance 2024-06: An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Village Code Related to Penalties for Traffic Violations

**C. Motions**

1. Motion to Approve the Façade Improvement Program Application for 278 E. Grand Ave.
2. *Item was removed from the Agenda* - Motion to Accept the Planning & Zoning Commission's Recommendation to Approve the Petition of Sandy J. Arneson, for a Special Use Permit to Operate a Short-Term Rental at 156 Eagle Point Road.
3. Motion to Approve the Raffle License Application from Lakes Region Post 703 of the American Legion to Conduct a One Day Meat Raffle and Waive the Bond Requirement.

*Trustee Jensen made a motion to move that Ordinances B 1 and Motions C 1 and 3 be established as the Consent Agenda for this meeting by unanimous vote, seconded by Trustee Konwent.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

Trustee Jensen      Aye  
Trustee Stochl      Aye  
Trustee Konwent      Aye  
Trustee Marr      Aye  
Trustee Driscoll      Aye  
Trustee Vander Weit      Aye

*Motion carried*

*Trustee Konwent made a motion that the consent agenda as established by the prior motion be passed, seconded by Trustee Jensen.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

Trustee Jensen      Aye  
Trustee Stochl      Aye  
Trustee Konwent      Aye  
Trustee Marr      Aye  
Trustee Driscoll      Aye  
Trustee Vander Weit      Aye

*Motion carried*

**16. Approval of Exceptions**

*There are none.*

**17. For the Good of the Order**

*There were none.*

**18. Audience Comments**

*Timothy Trost asked for clarification of money spent at Bauske Marine and if the Village paid why is that, and also what purpose a sea wall behind a concrete wall serves. The Mayor indicated that the work completed was directed by the engineers and benefits the entire Village.*

**19. Executive Session**

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** to retire into executive session at 6:53 pm for Threatened Litigation, seconded by Trustee Jensen and to include Village Attorney Jeff Nutschig and Assistant Administrator Jessica Chernich. All were in favor. **Motion carried.***

**20. Adjournment (made in Executive Session)**

*Trustee Stochl made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm, seconded by Trustee Vander Weit. All were in favor. **Motion carried.***

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

Michelle Runnion  
Michelle Runnion, Village Clerk