

**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 March 12th, 2019 meeting was called to order by Mayor Schmit. The following official business was transacted:

1. Call to Order

Roll Call

Present Mayor Schmit; Village Attorney Karen Barone; Trustees: Jensen, Stochl, Konwent, Marr and Moore.

Staff also in attendance: Anne Marrin, Laura Linehan, Jimmy Lee Jr., Donovan Day, Julie McManus and Kealan Noonan.

2. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Marr made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes for February 26th, 2019 as amended, 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 Moore Aye
Trustee Koske Absent
Motion Carried*

3. Approval of the Warrant

Trustee Konwent made a motion to approve the Expenditures/Warrants/ Transfers for March 12th, 2019 in the amount of \$1,043,499.76 Seconded by Trustee Moore.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Jensen Aye

<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Moore</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Motion Carried	

4. Public Hearing for the purpose of Comments on the Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination for the North/South Water & Wastewater Interconnect project.

Trustee Moore made a motion to open the public hearing for the purpose of comments on the Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impacts of the North/South Water and Waste Water Interconnect Project, seconded by Trustee Konwent. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

In order to utilize water and water supply loans, the state of Illinois requires an environmental impact determination. IEPA requires a public comment period is held. IEPA has already issued the Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination (PEID). This document will be available at Village Hall for a 10-day period for review and comment. Once the comment period closes, all comments received by the Village will get submitted to the IEPA.

Trustee Jensen made a motion to close the public hearing for the purpose of comments on the Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impacts of the North South Water and Waste Water Interconnect Project, seconded by Trustee Stochl. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

5. Village President’s Report

Mayor Schmit went to Springfield last week to meet with Speaker of the House Madigan, Senator Cullerton and Brady and Representative Durkin. There are about 1,500 bills being proposed right now and some are detrimental to the village such as lead pipe removal and replacement. If this is an unfunded mandate, the Village will need funding assistance. There was also discussion on consolidation of fire and police pension funds. Mayor had a discussion with the Fox Lake Fire Department on the consolidation. Right now there are over 600 separate fire and police commissions that have their own investment programs. The new proposal will be for one bank, with one account manager to oversee all 600 accounts. The Fire Department is currently opposed but the Mayor will continue negotiations. The Budget Workshop will be held Friday, March 15th from 11:30am – 3pm. This is a public hearing.

6. Village Administrator’s Report

Anne discussed Metra’s new reverse commute. This is a test commute to try express commuting between downtown and various towns (Lake Forest, Deerfield) in the area during the day. This will impact Fox Lake lines by having a few additional express commutes. The test will take place over a two year trial period. Metra has launched a survey to find out how and why people are, or are not, riding Metra on the weekends or to various events downtown instead of driving. The survey can be found at: www.metrarail.com/weekend. Metra is also asking for suggested service improvements. This survey will open until Sunday, March 17th.

7. Village Attorney Report

There is none.

8. Village Treasurer’s Report

There is none.

9. Preliminary Audience Comments (on Agenda Items Only)

(The below is Non-Agenda Commentary)

Fox Lake resident John Irany said he is embarrassed for the Village for the streets in the town. He thinks the snow removal was horrific. He has noticed a change over the past few years, one being that plows are coming out later in the morning, like 2am, when the snow has already fallen. Streets like Forest, Oak and Hickory he said were a complete disaster. He thinks the Village can do better. He also mentioned safety issues with the roads around Grant High School and recommended a public safety presence that will be visible to motorists. The Mayor said this has been discussed and security has been hired to work by the school and Chief Lee has given them a traffic plan. The Mayor said John's message has been received and he (Mayor Schmit) can stay after tonight's meeting to further discuss the issue. John left the meeting. Tom Laama of Ingleside came to challenge the Board to drive to his address at 140 Longwood. He wants to know if it's an acceptable street to drive on. If the Board finds it acceptable, then he won't be heard from again. The Mayor said they are dedicating quite a bit of money to the streets this year. Fox Lake has 66 miles of road and the Village did a survey to rank the roads from 1 to 10. The Village will start with roads that are in the worst condition. The amount of traffic that goes through these roads comes into the decision as well. This is being addressed as the Village is dedicating several million dollars to these improvements. Tom did comment on the street department doing a great job in keeping the streets clear.

10. Motion to Recess to Committee of the Whole Meeting

Trustee Komwent 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

1. Infrastructure

Kealan Noonan, Director of Public Works

- Frontage Road - Looking to start work at the end of April.
- Rte 12 Nippersink Channel Bridge - Trying to keep in communication with IDOT has been challenging but numerous JULIES were received today. Work is beginning the week of March 18th with one lane to be shut down at a time.
- Sayton Rd - New traffic patterns will start on Friday. The pattern has been posted on the Village website as well as Facebook. This work will take about 2-3 months. The high school has been contacted so the buses are aware.

Trustee Marr asked about the Grand Ave resurfacing. Kealan said that April 26th is the letting date, at which time a contractor will be selected and IDOT will be notified. As soon as that's done, the resurfacing can begin.

In addressing the audience comments from earlier in the meeting, Trustee Marr pointed out that it costs \$1M to fix one mile of road. Fox Lake has 66 miles of road. The previous administration didn't do any improvements so it has been left in the current administration's lap and they will be taking this on, one road at a time.

2. Marketing

Mayor asked for comments from Marketing and there were none.

3. Communication/Public Outreach

Jimmy Lee, Jr, Police Chief

Teen Court is underway with training staff and participating Grant High School students for their roles. This outreach is going really well.

4. Economic Development

Donovan Day, Community Development

There has been a request for proposals for a Hotel Feasibility Study. One was performed in 2016 but that was done by the owner of the property, for that specific property. The Village can't use that to solicit hotels but with this feasibility study, they can.

5. Recreation

Mayor asked for comments from Recreation and there were none.

6. Technology

Mayor asked for comments from Technology and there were none.

11. **New Business**

A. Resolution 2019-R-21: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Fox Lake to Sign and Thereby Accept an Extension of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Fox Lake and the Fox Lake Fire Protection District for the Fire Station Properties and the Community Garden Properties.

This is for a 25 year extension for use of the land at the Community Garden and in exchange for use of Fire Stations 2 and 4. Both sides are pleased with the agreement.

Trustee Stochl asked if the Village was going to look into purchase of the land instead of a lease agreement but the Mayor said the Fire Protection District is not willing to sell at this time.

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 Village Board Meeting, seconded by Trustee Marr. All were in favor. Motion carried.

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

There are none.

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

- 1. Resolution 2019-R-21: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor of the Village of Fox Lake to Sign and Thereby Accept an Extension of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Fox Lake and the Fox Lake Fire Protection District for the Fire Station Properties and the Community Garden Properties.

B. Ordinances

There are none.

C. Motions

There are none.

Trustee Jensen made a motion to move that items Resolutions A-1 be established as the Consent Agenda for this meeting by unanimous vote, seconded by Trustee Konwent.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Moore</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Motion Carried</i>	

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:

<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Moore</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Motion Carried</i>	

16. For the Good of the Order

Mayor Schmit said Bright Oaks is looking to start up again. Guidelines have been provided to make sure the building is safe. A structural engineer and the Village engineer will have to do an assessment of the building. There has been realignment with the main investor but the general contractor will remain the same. The pitfalls that occurred during the first phase of the communication have been addressed.

17. Audience Comments

Glenn Close thinks the Village did a great job with the plowing and encourages waiting until later to plow and to add more sand instead of salt. He plows for a different municipality and he leaves early in the morning so the roads are clear by the morning commute.

Trustee Stochl said he heard that sand usage is going by the wayside. The IEPA doesn't want it on the roads because it clogs the storm sewers.

The Mayor mentioned past use of beet juice which didn't work either.

18. Reconvene the Hearing regarding the Special Use Permit for the Property located at 100 S. Route 12, Fox Lake, Illinois

Trustee Jensen made a motion to reconvene the hearing regarding the special use permit at 100 S. Route 12, seconded by Trustee Marr. All were in favor. Motion Carried

19. Public Comment

Mayor Schmit asked for public comments and there were none.

Donovan Day read Zach's (the Culver's owner who was not in attendance due to illness) responses to the Village's questions. Zach is working with Campbell construction for as-build compliance. He is also waiting on IDOT for an answer to his proposal but they have yet to review it. Zach sent over IDOTS response on timing and he is not asking for more time as of yet. If IDOT takes 30 more days to respond to his proposal, he will be looking into timing for the project.

20. Executive Session

Trustee Stochl made a motion to retire into executive session at 7:02p.m. for discussion on pending litigation on Reconvened Hearing regarding the Special Use Permit for the Property located at 100 S. Route 12, Fox Lake, IL to include Mayor Donny Schmit, Village Administrator Anne Marrin, Assistant to the Village Administrator Laura Linehan, Attorney Karen Barone and Community Development Director Donovan Day, seconded by Trustee Koske. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Reconvene the Village Board Meeting

Trustee Komwent made a motion to reconvene the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Jensen. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

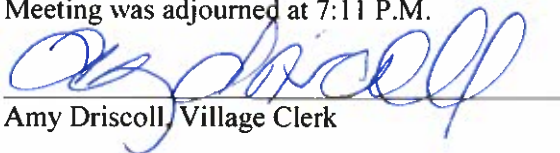
21. Possible Motion Coming out of Executive Session

Trustee Komwent made a motion to approve the third supplemental Village Board Findings regarding the Special Use Permit at 100 S. Route 12, Fox Lake, IL, and continue the Special Use hearing until April 9th, 2019 seconded by Trustee Moore. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

22. Adjournment

Trustee Stochl made a motion adjourn the meeting at 7:11p.m., seconded by Trustee Marr. All were in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 P.M.


Amy Driscoll, Village Clerk