

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Whitefish Bay was held in the Board Room of Whitefish Bay Village Hall, 5300 North Marlborough Drive, August 5, 2019

Pursuant to law, written notice of this meeting was given to the press and posted on the public bulletin boards.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Siegel called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Trustees Saunders, Serebin, Davis, Buckley, Demet, Fuda and President Siegel

Also Present: Village Manager Paul Boening
Village Attorney Chris Jaekels
Police Chief Michael Young
Assistant Village Manager Tim Blakeslee
Director of Public Works John Edlebeck
Director of Building Services Joel Oestreich
Library Director Nyama Reed
Deputy Clerk Caren Brustmann

II. Consent Agenda

It was moved by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Demet, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held on July 1, 2019.
2. Claims for June, 2019.
3. Claims for July, 2019.
4. Investment Report for June, 2019.
5. Acceptance of a bench donation for placement at Silver Spring Park.
6. Ordinance No. 1854 to amend the Traffic Code (regarding parking on Ardmore Ave.).
7. Temporary Beer/Wine License for the Knights of Columbus Tent at the St. Monica's Annual Picnic to be held on 8/24/19.

III. Report of Village Officers

1. **Village Attorney** – No report
2. **Village Manager**

Village Manager Paul Boening noted that the first Village Board meeting in September is rescheduled for Monday, August 26th at 6:00pm.

3. Village President

Village President Julie Siegel expressed that the Lake Drive resurfacing project turned out phenomenal and has received positive feedback from several residents.

4. Miscellaneous Trustee

Village Trustee Jay Saunders also expressed that the Lake Drive resurfacing project turned out great and thanked Director of Public Works John Edlebeck and all contractors and staff involved for their diligent work.

IV. Petitions and Communications

Pat Santilli, 710 E. Carlisle Ave.; Expressed that she is disappointed in the traffic signal placed at the intersection of N. Bay Ridge Ave. and E. Silver Spring Dr. because it doesn't look attractive and is not needed in such a small village. Ms. Santilli noted she also heard that an island is being installed on N. Wilson Drive which would be terrible during winter for the plows.

V. General Business

1. Discussion/action on Cahill Park ice rink proposal from the Milwaukee Winter Club.

Village President Julie Siegel introduced the proposal to the Board, sharing the Milwaukee Winter Club is seeking to partner with the Village of Whitefish Bay to operate an outdoor ice rink, seasonally installed on six of the tennis courts at Cahill Park. The rink would be installed in mid-November and removed in mid March, being operational in any temperature under 50°F. President Siegel added MWC is a non-profit organization run by volunteers and serves northern and eastern Milwaukee County, including the Village.

Mike Lindemann, Vice President of MWC and Alex Beer of MWC and both Whitefish Bay residents, gave a powerpoint presentation and addressed questions or concerns from the Board. Chad Anderson of MWC and Jeff Hayes, Operations Director for MWC were also present to address any questions or concerns. The powerpoint presentation focused on several key components in providing a fun, yet competitive atmosphere for children. A similar setup in Lake Forest, IL has been used as a model for the rink design/plan for the Village. The proposed layout would run north-south across all six tennis courts, including an area for bleachers, storage shed for a chiller, zamboni, and other equipment. Existing fencing between the two sets of courts would be replaced with removable fencing. MWC would seek to use the rink from 5:30pm-8:00pm Monday through Friday and four to six hours Saturdays and Sundays. All other hours would be available to the Whitefish Bay community. The warming house would need to be modified into a men's' and women's' locker room during the rink period with temporary partitions between the locker rooms. Further into the presentation, MWC proposed an operating agreement for the Village at ½ costs to construct and operate the temporary outdoor ice rink, including installation estimates, utilities, labor hours, for an annual cost to the Village at approximately \$55,413.00.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Cait Olson, 4740 N. Hollywood Ave.; President of WNS Hockey Club. Is in support of proposal. Ms. Olson stated she is very excited about creating more hockey opportunities for kids.

Dan Carey, 4914 N. Cumberland Blvd.; Girl's High School Hockey Coach. Has kids in hockey winter club. Stated this is a focal point for our community and would help us grow as a Village.

Scott Williams, 921 E. Circle Dr.; Social studies teacher at High School. Stated kids deserve this opportunity and they have a place to go besides the mall or playing video games.

Phil Kelby, 5359 N. Kent Ave.; Boys' varsity coach at High School. Noted tennis courts are in really bad shape and they haven't been resurfaced in the past 13 years. Should consider putting resurfacing funds in 2021 budget. Also noted 2 area contractors, Munson Inc. and Frank Armstrong Paving, were not aware of this proposal, and believes their opinion should be sought regarding resurfacing and how ice rink could affect current conditions.

Jennifer West, 1006 E. Colfax Pl., Stated this proposal is a good opportunity for the Village. Noted some concerns about public park hours, doesn't want to be awakened at 6am. Ms. West stated the parking needs to be adequate and a PA system should be prohibited.

Brian Cole, 1051 E. Circle Dr.; Stated this is a fantastic opportunity for the Village and is a capital investment being gifted to us. Child loves playing hockey.

Charlie Stalle, 5124 N. Ardmore Ave., Stated if a non-profit organization brings an asset to the community, the Village needs to make it work. Mr. Stalle stated parking is not an issue and the current conditions of the tennis courts are embarrassing and need to be replaced. Is in support of proposal.

Ramin Eghbali, 1015 E. Colfax.; Stated this is a great organization and would be a great community partnership. Is in support of proposal.

Michael Graves, 4618 N. Wildwood Ave.; Stated proposal is a step in the right direction for Village. Added all parks should have ice rinks.

Debra and Brian Grayeski, 645 E. Lake View Ave.; Is in support of proposal. Noted the ice rink at Klode park is often time limited due to the temperatures needed. Believes this would be a great asset to the community.

Joe Olson, 4740 N. Hollywood Ave.; Has children who play hockey. Would like to see more girls getting involved in hockey, believes this would be a great opportunity. Is in support of proposal.

Sam Ashland (previous resident) 5827 N. Maitland Ct.; Stated he used to skate at Klode Park. The chiller system in proposal will allow for longer skating hours. Believes this will be a great asset to the community.

Kathy Huegel, 4935 N. Woodruff Ave.; Not opposed to proposal however not in support. Stated lights would be on all winter, illuminating park, making it inconvenient for neighbors. Noted the tennis courts do need repairs.

David Koscinski, 801 E. Sylvan Ave.; Is in support of proposal. Stated this is a proposal worth figuring out for the community. Noted his wife is looking for a winter activity and this would be a great opportunity.

Bill Sellars, 5776 N. Shore Dr.; Noted time is of the essence for this proposal, would like the rink in this season if possible. Stated Village staff needs to be trusted so the proposal can move forward.

Amy Bruett, 4924 N. Elkhart Ave.; Believes the proposal a phenomenal idea. Is in support of proposal.

Brian Vranek, 5578 N. Lydell Ave.; Believes the proposal is a great opportunity. Added that the more the club uses the rink, the less time it would provide the public use.

The Board took a 10 minute recess from 7:36pm until 7:46pm. There was further discussion between the Board and the Milwaukee Winter Club pertaining to citizen's comments and concerns. In light of the unresolved cost, operational, maintenance and capital details, there was consensus among the Board in favor of postponing action until such time that staff could present a draft agreement to the Board for consideration.

2. Discussion/action on Public Storm Sewer Sump Pump Collection Main Installation Policy.

Director of Public Works, John Edlebeck noted several residents in the 4600 block of N. Wildwood Avenue have active sump pumps that discharge at grade, creating slippery conditions on public sidewalks and gutters and/or ice buildup during the winter months. Mr. Edlebeck expressed this policy adoption will allow staff to further develop other options for residents to remedy these health and safety matters.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ryan Berg, 4626 N. Wildwood Ave.; Recommends an agreement between the homeowners and Village should the policy be adopted. Also encourages the homeowners affected to connect to public storm sewer mainline. Mr. Berg is hoping this policy takes effect by winter as the sidewalks become very icy.

Michael Graves, 4618 N. Wildwood Ave.; Mr. Graves thanked Director of Public Works John Edlebeck and Staff Engineer Spencer Charczuk for their work throughout the Village thus far. Noted several residents need to support policy to keep the financial burden down as residents have already invested a lot of money into their properties.

It was moved by Trustee Serebin, seconded by Trustee Fuda, and carried by the Village Board to approve the Village Public Storm Sewer Sump Pump Collection Main Installation Policy, with Trustee Davis opposing. Motion carries 6-1.

3. Discussion/Action on Ordinance No. 1853 to Revise and Consolidate, Amend, Supplement and Codify the General Ordinances of the Village of Whitefish Bay.

Assistant Village Manager Tim Blakeslee provided a brief background on the update and reformatting of the Village Code, including improvements made to the new code.

It was moved by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee Serebin, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to approve Ordinance No. 1853 to Revise and Consolidate, Amend, Supplement and Codify the General Ordinances of the Village of Whitefish Bay.

VI. Adjourn

There being no further business, it was moved by Trustee Fuda, seconded by Trustee Serebin, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to adjourn the meeting at 8:52pm.

Caren Brustmann

