

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, September 16, 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, Buckley, Demet, Fuda (arrived at 6:22pm) and President Siegel

Excused: Trustee Davis

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 Demet, seconded by Trustee Saunders, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Claims for August, 2019.
2. Investment Report for August, 2019.
3. Ordinance No. 1857 – Pertaining to e-Cigarettes/Vaping.

III. Report of Village Officers

1. **Village Attorney** – Not present for report
2. **Village Manager**

Village Manager Paul Boening noted that communication would be distributed to the Board about a proposed Milwaukee County sales tax increase and will keep the Board notified of any updates.

3. Village President

Village President Julie Siegel expressed that a referendum for the proposal would be supported.

4. Miscellaneous Trustee – No reports

IV. Petitions and Communications

Tom Sherman, 4856 N. Santa Monica Blvd.; In Mr. Sherman’s opinion, vehicles should not be allowed at the Beaumont Place apartments and the sewer system in the Village is a disaster.

V. General Business

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

Village President Julie Siegel reiterated 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 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. The floor was opened to the public for comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Amber Morgan, 5719 N. Kent Ave.; Stated son played for the Winter Club. Questioned if the property values on surrounding homes would decrease if ice rink was to be installed. Added public hours are not realistic by for school kids.

Lucy Korbitz, 5449 N. Diversey Blvd.; Thanked the Board for not rushing this proposal and gathering all the details. Stated the noise of the children and the impact it would have to the direct neighbors would be undesirable. Ms. Korbitz further stated she believes parking is going to be an issue and the Village should be mindful of the operating funds being spent on capital expenditures.

Ramin Eghbali, 1015 E. Colfax.; Noted a lot of comments mentioned have already been addressed at previous board meetings. Added that having an ice rink is going to protect the tennis courts rather than not having a tennis court. Mr. Eghbali noted there was overwhelming support for this proposal at previous board meetings from residents.

Mike Williams, resident in Mequon; Born in Whitefish Bay. Stated this is a great opportunity for the Village and supports the proposal.

Village President Julie Siegel closed the public comment section. Village Manager Paul Boening provided feedback to the comments given during the public period. Postposing installation until November 2020 will be considered. Mike Lindemann, Vice President of MWC and Bill Sellars of MWC and both Whitefish Bay residents, addressed questions or concerns from the Board. Director of Public Works, John Edlebeck provided feedback pertaining to the revised location of the chiller from the north to the southwest corner of the site plan making it more aesthetically appealing. There was consensus among the Board in favor of approving funding in the 2020 budget.

It was moved by Trustee Buckley, seconded by Trustee Fuda, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to direct staff to include the following expenditures in the draft 2020 budget;

- \$74,950 (Village share of one-time capital expenses)
- \$16,000 (Village share of operational costs 11/15/20 – 12/31/20)

VI. Adjourn

There being no further business, it was moved by Trustee Fuda, seconded by Trustee Saunders, and unanimously carried by the Village Board to adjourn the meeting at 7:23pm.

Caren Brustmann
Deputy Clerk