

VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE

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OCONOMOWOC LAKE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY, March 21, 2022; Unofficial until approved by the Village Board. Approved as written ☒ or with corrections () on 4/18/22.

A meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Oconomowoc Lake was held on Monday, March 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the Village Hall, 35328 W. Pabst Road, Oconomowoc. Legal requirements for notification as required by law have been met. Roll call was taken with the following attendance:

Present: President Bickler and Trustees: Fellows, Zimmermann and Fischer (by phone)

Absent: Trustees: Shult and Waltersdorf

Also present: Administrator/Police Chief Janicsek, Zoning Administrator Wiemer, Attorney Macy and Village Clerk, Teri Sayles

ATTENDANCE

Ed Johnson (N Beach Rd); Adam Ramme (4600 N Sawyer Rd); Bruce Ramme (Sawyer Rd lot)

PLEDGE of ALLEGIENCE

MINUTES

Discussion/action regarding approval of minutes from the February 21, 2022 Public Hearing.

Discussion/action regarding approval of minutes from the February 21, 2022 Village Board meeting.

Motion (Fellows/Zimmermann) to approve the minutes from the February 21, 2022 Public Hearing and Village Board meeting. Carried Unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion (Fellows/Zimmermann) to Open Meeting to Public Comment on Agenda items at 7:01 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

Ed Johnson asked the board to consider honoring Joe Birbaum as well as other past Village Presidents with a plaque.

Motion (Fellows/Zimmermann) to Close Meeting to Public Comment on Agenda items at 7:03 p.m. Carried Unanimously.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Mr. Bickler agreed with the thought of Mr. Johnson regarding honoring Joe Birbaum and others that have served the Village of Oconomowoc Lake. Staff will discuss the same and bring ideas back to the board.

VILLAGE TRUSTEES

No agenda items.

ADMINISTRATOR

Discussion/action regarding Ramme charitable property tax break.

Mr. Janicsek stated Adam and Bruce Ramme sold land to the village at \$99,500 which was below asking price and appraised value. The difference can be considered a charitable contribution on their personal taxes and

requires a village signature statement of purchase price. Attorney Macy advised it be brought for board approval. Mr. Fischer stated he thought the village paid fair market value and an appraisal now would be different. Mr. Bickler stated the burden is on the seller to prove value. We are only agreeing that we bought the land for \$99,500.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to authorize the Village President to sign the Ramme tax documents with the actual purchase price. Carried 3-1 (Fischer abstain)

Discussion/action regarding Sawyer Road lot driveway application.

Mr. Janicsek obtained an application for a driveway permit and quote from the county and a culvert price quote for village property as directed by the board. The application cost is \$570 and the culvert installation quote is \$3,407. The funds are not in the budget but he would like to move forward with the application to get the approval and possibly install the culvert next year.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to authorize the Village Administrator to move forward with the application for a driveway permit and the board will determine funding at a future meeting. Carried Unanimously.

Discussion/action regarding acceptance of donations received from village residents, as noted on Exhibit A, designated for use toward the fireworks display in July of 2022.

Motion (Fellows/Zimmermann) to accept donations received from village residents, as noted on Exhibit A, designated for use toward the fireworks display in July of 2022. Carried Unanimously.

POLICE CHIEF

Police Department Monthly Report for February 2022.

Chief Janicsek reviewed the details of the report in the packet. He further stated the police department will receive \$7,000 from State of Wisconsin ARPA funds. These funds are to be used for recruitment, community policing, training or technology. The chief will look into how to best utilize this money.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

No agenda items.

PLAN COMMISSION

No agenda items.

HISTORY COMMITTEE

The History Committee scheduled and noticed a meeting for March 16 but did not have a quorum of members present.

ATTORNEY

Discussion regarding a DRAFT of an Ordinance to regulate paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same in the Village of Oconomowoc Lake.

Attorney Macy reviewed the following summary with regard to the draft ordinance to regulate paths, sidewalks and/or stairways to the lake:

Current Law

Only allows Stairways not in excess of four (4) feet in width together with associated handrails and landings not in excess of thirty-six (36) sq. feet where such stairways are necessary to provide convenient access to the shoreline.

The current law does not regulate paths or sidewalks.

Proposed Law

Does not allow:

Any paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same whether permeable or impermeable located between the main building and the high-water mark more than 6 feet in width.

Allows:

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Not more than 1 path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same whether permeable or impermeable per property located between the main building and the high-water mark not in excess of four (4) feet in width together with associated handrails and landings not in excess of thirty-six (36) sq. feet where such path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same are necessary to provide convenient access to the shoreline subject to approval of the Zoning Administrator, issuance of a permit and payment of applicable fees.

Please see the individual zoning districts for additional information on regulation of paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same. (Under definition of structure)

Other than the 1 path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same allowed under the definition of structure, not more than 1 additional path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same between the main building and the high-water mark 6 feet in width or less if the same is constructed of permeable materials subject to the approval of the Zoning Administrator, issuance of a permit and payment of all applicable fees. (Under zoning districts)

In addition to the 2 paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same allowed by right, additional paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same located between the main building and the high-water mark 4 feet in width or less whether permeable or impermeable, are allowed with Plan Commission approval, issuance of a permit and payment of all applicable fees. In determining whether to allow additional paths, sidewalks and/or stairways and/or any combination of the same, the Plan Commission is to look to whether:

- The proposed additional path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same is not contrary to the public interest; and
- The property has a special or unique condition; and
- The proposed additional path, sidewalk and/or stairway and/or any combination of the same is observable from the lake.

Following discussion by the board and clarification by the attorney, the board referred the draft ordinance back to the Plan Commission for review and possible action.

TREASURER

Discussion/action regarding approval of checks 48246 through 48311 and all electronic payments.

Mr. Fischer asked about the Fieldstone Glass check for glass barrier. Mr. Janicsek stated a glass partition was installed between the entry hall and offices for safety and security reasons.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to approve checks 48246 through 48311 and all electronic payments. Carried Unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Discussion regarding the monthly operating statement for March 2022.

Mr. Fischer stated there is nothing of note to discuss. The village ended 2021 with a \$70,000 budget surplus.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

No agenda items.

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

No agenda items.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL BOARD (ACB)

Minutes of the February 28, 2022 meeting are in the packet.

CLERK

Discussion/action regarding the March Newsletter.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to approve the March Newsletter. Carried Unanimously.

Public Record Requests

Mrs. Sayles received and responded to 2 public record requests. One was for assessment services contract and the other was related to garbage/recycling bid, contract, tonnage and billing.

The Clerk's office is getting ready for the April 5 Spring Election and in-person absentee voting begins March 22, 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

After the appropriate announcement by the Meeting Chairman, the Board will enter, by roll call vote, into Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." (Income Continuation Insurance for the Public Works employee.)

President Bickler announced the closed session.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to enter, by roll call vote, into Closed Session at 7:39 p.m. pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(g)(c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility." (Income Continuation Insurance for the Public Works employee.) On a roll call vote, all members (4) voted Aye. Carried unanimously.

The Board will reconvene, by roll call vote, into Open Session for discussion and possible action on items discussed in Closed Session.

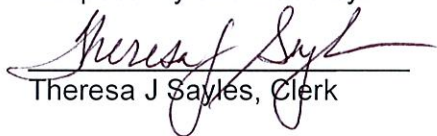
Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to reconvene into Open Session at 7:46 p.m. for discussion and possible action on items discussed in Closed Session. On a roll call vote, all members (4) voted Aye. Carried unanimously.

Motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to direct the administrator to pursue what was discussed in closed session. Carried Unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion being heard, a motion (Zimmermann/Fellows) to adjourn was made at 7:47 p.m., Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:


Theresa J Sayles, Clerk

Approved and ordered posted by:


Michael J Bickler Sr, President