

VILLAGE OF ELM GROVE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
November 26, 2018

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OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Present: President Palmer, Trustees Haas, Kujawa, Cornell, and Michalski. Trustees Kressin and Domaszek excused.

Also Present: Village Manager David De Angelis, Village Clerk Mary S Stredni, Zoning/Planning Administrator Thomas Harrigan, and Attorney Hector de la mora.

President Palmer brought the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mary S Stredni took the roll.

President Palmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Hearing

2019 Budget and User Fees and 2018 Tax Levy

Julie Sonney-Kamanski, 2280 Mount Kisco Drive – Questioned whether there is any money budgeted for the North Avenue project. President Palmer stated that there is not, as the North Avenue expansion project is a Waukesha County project not a Village of Elm Grove project.

Mary Inden – 14745 Watertown Plank Rd – Opined that the State should not regulate what a municipality can levy. The Village should be able to spend what it wants. Requested that the Board contact Madison legislators.

As there were no more comments, President Palmer closed the public hearing.

2. Public Comment

Daniel Finn – 2000 Mount Kisco Drive – Questioned the property that Waukesha County is planning to take by eminent domain for the North Avenue project and if it would continue to be in the Village. President Palmer clarified that the property will remain in the Village of Elm Grove, but will be owned by Waukesha County.

Mary Inden – 14745 Watertown Plank Rd – Spoke as President of Elm Grove Business Association, the annual calendar is in production and should be out by the end of the year.

Inquired as to when the next Downtown Master Plan open house would be and could she be notified. It was noted that it has not been scheduled, but should be late January 2019 or early February 2019 and she will be notified.

Requested again that the ‘stop bars’ at the intersection of Pilgrim Parkway and Watertown Plank Road be painted as she believes it is a safety issue.

John Meser – Elm Grove Community Foundation – Noted that the Foundation is pleased to grant a donation of \$75,000 to the Village for the splash pad. The Greater Milwaukee Foundation is pledging a donation of a total of \$100,000 for the splash pad.

Amanda Glassman and Nicole Masnica – Elm Grove Junior Guild – Pledged \$15,000 to the Village for the splash pad today with continued support of \$5,000 a year for the next five years for a total of \$40,000. This is in addition to other funds donated to the Village on an annual basis.

Ron Hill, Village Forester – Mr. Hill reviewed his ash tree report. There are 1259 ash trees in the right-of-way; approximately 455 ash trees in the park; 36 ash trees are being treated on a three year cycle. The entire 2019 budget for tree planting will be used to plant in the park.

As there were no more comments, President Palmer closed the public comment.

3. Agenda  
Trustees Kujawa and Michalski moved and seconded to approve the submitted agenda. Motion carried.
4. Minutes  
Trustees Kujawa and Cornell moved and seconded to approve the October 22, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.  
Trustees Michalski and Kressin moved and seconded to approve the November 14, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.  
Trustees Cornell and Haas moved and seconded to approve the November 14, 2018 Committee of the Whole minutes. Motion carried.
5. No Report of the Village President
6. Fire Department – monthly report in binder
7. Police Department– monthly report in binder
8. No EMS report
9. Report of the Village Clerk
  - A. President Palmer and Trustee Cornell moved and seconded to approve Resolution 112618A to Disallow Claim for Vehicle Damage – Progressive Insurance. Motion carried.
  - B. Trustees Kujawa and Haas moved and seconded to change the December 2018 Board of Trustees meeting from December 24, 2018 to December 17, 2018. Motion carried.
  - C. Mary S Stredni updated Board on November 6, 2018 Election. There was a 92% turnout with 33% voting absentee. A total of 4072 voted and 1400 voted absentee.
10. Report of the Village Manager
  - A. Trustees Michalski and Kujawa moved and seconded to approve Resolution 112618C to Approve the Suburban Mutual Assistance Response Teams (SMART). Motion carried.
  - B. Trustees Haas and Michalski moved and seconded to accept the bid from Mared Mechanical Contractors Corporation for HVAC upgrades in the amount of \$963,000.00, but not yet award the contract, subject to: review of the contract by the Village Attorney; review of the payment terms notably the final payment of only 5% (the Board would like it changed to 10%); and financing options to be reviewed by the Village Board at the December 2018 meeting. Motion carried.
11. Report of the Village Attorney – No report
12. Standing Committees
  - A. Plan Commission – No report
  - B. Library Board  
Trustee Kujawa reviewed the November 19, 2018 meeting. FOEGL's mini used book sale made over \$1100, Lights of Love will be December 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - C. Public Works/Utilities  
Trustee Haas noted that the engineering for the Watertown Plank Road pathway extension is still in process. Waiting for final set of plans from Stantec for Underwood Creek Daylighting.
  - D. Public Safety – No report
  - E. Legislative Committee - No report
  - F. Park and Recreation Committee  
Trustee Kujawa noted that the Committee approved the Brookfield Jr. Spartans Baseball Field Renovation Proposal. RA Smith is working on finalizing the contract for splash pad engineering

drawings. The Committee should have recommendation next month for naming the South Park Facility. The Committee is in the process of updating policy and prices for the softball diamonds.

G. Administrative and Personnel – no report

H. Finance and Licensing

1. Trustees Haas and Kujawa moved and seconded to approve new operator licenses for James Relich, Lisa Werner, and Lashonda Petersen. Motion carried.

2. Resolution 112618B Adopt 2019 Budget and User Fees, and 2018 Tax Levy

President Palmer and Trustee Kujawa moved and seconded to approve the Resolution.

Trustee Haas stated his objection to placing \$500,000 in the 5 year capital for unspecified pathways as this is a change from the way the Village has funded projects in the past. Opined that putting the funds in the 5 year capital budget before defining exactly what pathways the Village would actually be doing is a change in the past process. Stated that the philosophy has not been discussed by the Village Board to set forth criteria for approving a pathway especially those that are not arterial streets.

President Palmer stated that placing funds in the 5 year capital budget before any engineering or actual costs are known is a change in the way the Village has operated in the past. There are no detailed plans but pathways for Watertown Plank Road, Gebhardt Road, and Hollyhock Lane have been prioritized by the Village Board to be completed when funds are available. No other pathways will be considered until the Village Board has had discussions regarding them.

President Palmer clarified that the Village Board would have to approve the actual expenditure for any specific project.

Trustee Michalski also noted that the Village Board has discussed which pathways should be done first.

Motion failed 4-1 with Trustee Haas voting nay.

As there are two Trustees not present, another meeting will be held for discussion and a vote.

3. Trustees Haas and Cornell moved and seconded to approve the vouchers in the amount of \$357,479.38. Motion carried.

13. No other business

14. Adjourn

Trustees Kujawa and Cornell moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary S Stredni  
Village Clerk