

Village of Elm Grove Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

Board of Trustee Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:39AM.

Roll Call:

PRESIDENT PALMER

TRUSTEE CORNELL

TRUSTEE DOMASZEK – absent

TRUSTEE HAAS

TRUSTEE KRESSIN - absent

TRUSTEE MICHALSKI

TRUSTEE SAYAS

DAVID DEANGELIS, VILLAGE MANAGER

HECTOR DE LA MORA, VILLAGE ATTORNEY

TOM HARRIGAN, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

MICHELLE LUEDTKE, VILLAGE CLERK/DEPUTY TREASURER

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

- 1.) Public Hearing – none.
- 2.) Public comments – please note comments read into record are included in the minutes. Comments emailed to Village Board members, but not read aloud, are not included.

Emily Donohue – 605 Crystal Lane - Has children at Brookfield East. Wants to talk about the school district. Wants to spread awareness. There are materials in our schools as of July 5th that are available to all students. The statement from the school district indicated it is only available for grades 6 through 12. There is one portion about sex apps. She read items off from the material. The Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty wrote a letter indicating they have become aware of these materials. She is reading to spread awareness of the information being spread to our kids. When it is presented and how it is presented is up to the parents. The response from the school district indicated the library wants to support the informational needs of their students. Emily stated there are certain matters only a family can address. From an equality standpoint – she supports fair.org. Many school districts have been promoting a program called Kendi, where past racism leads to future racism. She wanted our residents to know these items are being taught in our school district. Wants to make sure kids are safe and included and not subjected to these types of lessons.

Mary Inden – 14745 Watertown Plank Road – Two topics tonight. Talked about thanking volunteers. Would like to bring back the volunteer recognition event that occurred about 20 years ago. Also spoke about the car show coming up this Sunday – August 1st. Anticipating somewhere around 200-300 cars and motorcycles. Between 500 and 700 people come and see this event. It's free. Thank you to the Golden K Kiwanis Club.

Hearing no one else present or on Zoom who wished to speak – the public comment period was closed.

- 3.) Approval of Agenda

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MOTION BY TRUSTEE CORNELL, SECOND BY TRUSTEE SAYAS, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

4.) Approval of Minutes

- a. 2021-06-24 Committee of the Whole DRAFT Minutes.

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PACKET – WILL PUT ON NEXT AGENDA.

- b. 2021-06-28 Board of Trustee DRAFT Minutes.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE MICHALSKI, SECOND BY TRUSTEE SAYAS, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

5.) Report of the Village President - Neil H. Palmer

- a. Remind everyone about the car show.

6.) Report of Fire Chief - David Kastenholtz

- a. June Fire Department Report.

7.) Report of Police Chief - James Gage

- a. June Police Department Reports.

8.) Report of EMS Director - Dr. Jon Robinson

- a. No report.

9.) Report of Village Clerk - Michelle Luedtke

- a. No report.

10.) Report of Village Manager - David DeAngelis

- a. Review and possible action on the Waukesha County Emergency Preparedness Joint Powers Agreement for the 9-1-1 System.

MOTION BY PRESIDENT PALMER, SECOND BY TRUSTEE MICHALSKI, TO APPROVE THE WAUKESHA COUNTY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE 9-1-1 SYSTEM.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Other items: Highland Dr. update on culverts. Potential closures. Paving will be completed at the end of August and up to September is the bid is approved tonight. Stay tuned to our website for detour information and up to date closures.

The pedestrian pathway study should arrive next week. As soon as he gets it, he will forward it along.

The transportation utility study is continuing with secondary roads being ranked to be

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merged with some primary roads to get them done more quickly. Hoping to send something out in the next couple of weeks.

The Elm Grove Road has been graveled. We will leave it to settle. Next year it will be paved. There will be a surveyor coming in to look into the Reinder's property and the adjustment to his parking. Biggest issue is keeping people off while they are working on it.

The School Sisters are having an open house with tours on August 22nd. From 2:00pm to 4:00pm. No RSVP required.

11.) Report of Village Attorney – Hector De La Mora

- a. Attorney De La Mora had no report at this time.

12.) Report of Standing Committees - Please review the minutes on our website for more details.

1. Plan Commission - Trustee Michalski
 - i. Met twice this past month. They approved two beauty salons. They approved a demo permit at 3450 Breamar Dr. They completed a preliminary draft survey map for the church on Watertown Plank Road; potentially breaking off the home from the church. This is an issue due to an easement that would be needed for parking. This went back to the applicant. The School Sisters project was brought up at another meeting. They wanted a change to their plan removing one lot from Stephan Pl and Red Barn Ln. This was to reflect comments from prior meetings. Wants to note on July 28th, there will be a public comment session for all School Sisters items.
2. Library Board - Trustee Sayas
 - i. At their last meeting, the library has been on budget. They are returning to normal hours. Their stats show significant increases as they become more available. They are fully staffed and will return to regular hours in August. Please see the minutes on our website for more information.
Manager De Angelis will be serving as Chair on a Waukesha County Library System Board.
3. Public Works - Trustee Kressin
 - i. Review and recommendation on paving bid results.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE HAAS, SECOND BY SAYAS, TO APPROVE THE BID FROM STARK PAVING.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

- ii. Review and acceptance of Annual CMAR Report.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE HAAS, SECOND BY PRESIDENT PALMER, TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL CMAR REPORT.

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The meeting group also went over municipal water from Wauwatosa. Focusing on service and quality. They had updates on stormwater work and a retirement of Greg Mehring; who worked for the DPW for 34 years. Thank you for your service!

4. Public Safety - Trustee Sayas
 - i. During the public comment portion, two residents shared their concerns about speeding. Many residents reached out about traffic speed in the village. There was an information review by the PD. Chief Gage went down a list of how they can respond. Residents can go to the website to see the list. They went through various traffic calming scenarios and traffic study information. Speed traps and humps are not effective enough. There is a perception of speeding throughout the entire Village, but the data doesn't show this. Specifically they looked at Westover and Highland. See the minutes for details about traffic citations given out at these sites. They also discussed EMS and Fire recruitment needs. The average age of their current members is 46. There is ongoing schooling and training. This is a nationwide issue. We need to look at longer term solutions going forward; merging departments, outsourcing. Dr. Robinson also spoke about the aging of their current volunteers and the levels of training required. He spoke about an intercept program. After some discussion, Manager DeAngelis asked that this go to Admin and Personnel. Please see the minutes online for more detail.
 - ii. Special thanks to Chief Gage and his team for their response to the ongoing issue regarding speeding brought up by the residents. Thank you!
5. Legislative - Trustee Domaszek
 - i. No meeting, no report.
6. Park and Recreation – Trustee Cornell
 - i. They had several item this month. They reviewed the conceal carry item. There was a memo indicating it was against the law to prohibit firearms in the park. They also talked about food trucks. This was approved. There was a concern about the timing. They asked for specific dates. The committee would like more specifics from the Recreation Director about food trucks and the specifics of timing and available spots. They also talked about keeping the pool open later. There is an issue with staffing as they all go back to school. The Elm Grove pool report would indicate the numbers have returned to normal. The summer programs are going well. The Rec Director is starting the Rec Guide for fall. The Fourth of July discussion will be continued at their next meeting. They also talked about damage to the young trees in the park.
7. Administrative and Personnel - Trustee Michalski
 - i. No meeting, no report.
8. Finance and Licensing - Trustee Haas
 - i. Review and Act on Vouchers.

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MOTION BY TRUSTEE HAAS, SECOND BY TRUSTEE SAYAS, TO APPROVE THE VOUCHER LISTS AS SUBMITTED.

ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

13.) Other Business – None.

14.) CLOSED SESSION - May convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. ss.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. More specifically police union contract negotiations.

MOTION BY PRESIDENT PALMER, SECOND BY TRUSTEE MICHALSKI, TO CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YAY – PALMER, CORNELL, HAAS, MICHALSKI, SAYAS.

MOTION CARRIED. CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 8:29PM.

15.) May convene into open session to take action on any closed session items.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE MICHALSKI, SECOND BY TRUSTEE SAYAS, TO CONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION.

ALL IN FAVOR. OPEN SESSION RESUMED AT 8:44PM.

Motion on item discussed in Closed Session:

NO MOTION MADE. DISCUSSION ONLY.

14.) Adjournment

There was no further business.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE HAAS, SECOND BY TRUSTEE CORNELL, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:44PM.

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