

VILLAGE OF FOX POINT
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2024

A meeting and public hearing of the Fox Point Village Board was held by a combination of in-person and virtual attendance via telephonic and video conferencing on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 in Schwemer Hall, 7200 N. Santa Monica Boulevard. Village President Symchych called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked the Village Clerk Treasurer to take roll call. Roll Call of the Village Board present included:

Village President Christine Symchych
Trustee Eric Fonstad
Trustee Liz Sumner (via Zoom)
Trustee Greg Ollman
Trustee Catie Anderson
Trustee Liz Aelion
Trustee Jennie Stoltz

Also, present were Village Attorney Eric Larson, Village Manager Scott Botcher, Public Works Director Scott Brandmeier, Village Clerk Treasurer Sara Bruckman, and Assistant Village Manager Kevin Ausman

Notice of the meeting was provided to the North Shore Now and to all others as required by State open meetings laws and posted on the official bulletin board at 7200 N Santa Monica Boulevard, as well as the village website at www.villageoffoxpoint.com, as per 2015 Wisconsin Act 79 and as described in Village Ordinance Chapter 116-2, 116-2(C).

PERSONS DESIRING TO BE HEARD

Louise Petering, 7229 N Santa Monica Blvd., favors the revised pool design option and expressed her support for a six-lane pool.

Paul Krechel, 8035 N Whitney Rd., expressed disappointment that a Village Trustee asked him to consider dropping out of the Village Trustee race after the February Primary. He requested the Village Attorney educate board members on their responsibilities and limitations within the election process.

Dan Knopp, 7510 N Fairchild Rd., member of the Friends of Fox Point Pool, summarized an email sent to the Village Board.

Dave Petering, 7229 N Santa Monica Blvd., expressed he would prefer a larger pool and a toddler pool.

Nicole Marinelli, 6900 N View Place, expressed her support for a larger pool.

Beverly Ritchie, 8675 N Point Drive, expressed support for a pool and requested consideration for a hot tub.

Hearing no further comments, President Symchych closed public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Trustee Fonstad reported that Plan Commission met on March 4 and reviewed the application of New Barons Brewing Cooperative to relocate the summer beer gardens that have operated for the last two years at the Municipal

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Pool to Longacre Pavilion. New Barons proposed six Friday and one Saturday dates with the hours between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Staff reported it is no longer feasible to operate the Beer Garden at the pool. The Plan Commission made two recommendations; that the Village Board find that the application meets the four standards in section 745-20(b)(2), and that the Village Board approve the use of public lands for this application subject to a written agreement drafted by the Village Attorney

Public Hearing

Request from New Barons Brewing Cooperative for a Temporary Beer Garden located at Longacre Park

Motion by Trustee Fonstad, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to open the public hearing at 7:19 p.m., regarding request from New Barons Brewing Cooperative for a Temporary Beer Garden located at Longacre Park.

Assistant Manager Ausman gave a brief summary included in the packet.

John Degroote, 6439 N Santa Monica Blvd., has been operating New Barons since 2016, introduced the Beer Garden to Fox Point two years ago and requests that the Beer Garden remain in Fox Point while relocating to a new location.

Public Comment

James Stefan, 6428 N Santa Monica Blvd., expressed support for the beer garden in the community.

Sandy Hurley, 7334 N Longacre, stated they live at the closet house to Longacre Pavilion and expressed concerns about parking on both sides of the street and would like to see temporary “no parking” on the east side of Longacre Rd.

Motion by Trustee Fonstad, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m., regarding request from New Barons Brewing Cooperative for a Temporary Beer Garden located at Longacre Park.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 Special Village Board meeting.
- b. Approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 Village Board meeting.
- c. Approve the minutes of the February 27, 2024 Special Village Board meeting.
- d. Accept the 2nd Revision of the State/Municipal Financial Agreement with the Department of Transportation to include the non-participating water main construction costs and authorize the Village President to sign the SMA per the Director of Public Works’ memorandum dated March 5, 2024.

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- e. Accept the bid of Visu-Sewer, Inc. in the amount of \$566,565 for the 2024 Sanitary and Stormwater Improvement Project and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated March 5, 2024.
- f. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$37,800 for inspection services associated with the 2024 Sanitary and Stormwater Improvement Project and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated March 6, 2024.
- g. Accept the bid of All-Ways Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$641,934 for the base bid, \$62,731 for Alternate Bid No. 1 and \$60,098 for Alternate Bid No. 2 for the 2024 Lake Drive Stormwater Improvement Project and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated March 6, 2024.
- h. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$113,170 for construction services associated with the 2024 Lake Drive Stormwater Improvement Project and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated March 6, 2024.
- i. Approval of amended Joint Library Services Agreement dated June 7, 2023.
- j. Approve the 2023 Annual NR 216 (MS\$) Stormwater Report and submittal of the same to the Department of Natural Resources.
- k. Approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$369,568.15 for the period February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024 per the report submitted by the Village Manager.

Trustee Stoltz requested the removal of consent agenda items e and g.

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Fonstad, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to approve the consent agenda, absent consent agenda items e, g.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Santa Monica Aquatics Facility Concepts

President Symchych opened the discussion reiterating the Village Board is aware that an aquatics facility is not a revenue generator, rather a community asset. Some residents have shared they do not want to use public funds for a pool. When the Village Board passed a resolution to create a committee to go out and raise funds, the board also committed to having a pool in Fox Point when those funds were brought forward. She appreciates everyone's patience and grace as the board deals with this complex situation. The Village Board has committed to operate a future facility located on the current site once private fundraising has met its goal.

Assistant Manager Ausman introduced the Village's consultant, Blake Theisen from Parkitecture, and briefed the Village Board on the memo included in the packet.

Parkitecture reviewed pool concepts included in packet.

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Village Board discussion included lifeguarding rates and staffing, conceptual design alteration, inclusion of a toddler pool separate from larger pool, a community room facing Santa Monica Blvd. Doubling the size of the pool and adding a larger community room would increase cost of the project.

Beverly Ritchie, 8675 North Point Drive, would like to see the pool open longer in the season.

David Miller, 7401 N Crossway Road, spoke in favor of a larger pool and community room He is in favor a concept C but would like to see everything moved further to the south.

Mary Beth Mills, 1811 E Dean Road, supports the larger pool design and larger community room.

Motion by President Symchych to direct Parkitecture to create a design that includes a modified plan C as a base, adding an independent kiddie pool, incorporating a larger community building, situating the building partly along Santa Monica Blvd, moving the building facility further south on the site, and adopt that conceptual design plan as the Village's somatic drawing going forward and release it to the 501C3 for fundraising purposes. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Discussion ensued if the new design should be brought back to the Village Board to review. The board agreed not to have the design brought back.

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to authorize Parkitecture to create an additional drawing based upon design C as a base, incorporating the features presented in design C, modified to include an additional kiddie pool, larger community building, moving the building to be situated partially along Santa Monica Blvd., building and site moved further south, release drawing to the Friends of the Fox Point Pool to use the conceptual drawing for fundraising efforts in accordance with Resolution R2023-15.

Land Combination and Certified Survey Map for 6990 North Barnett Lane

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Fonstad, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to approve the land combination and certified survey map for 6990 North Barnett Lane.

Town Club Hearing Agenda Item

Motion by Trustee Fonstad, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to refer the matter to the Plan Commission and to re-open the public hearing at the April 9, 2024 Village Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda Item E

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Consent Agenda Item G

Motion by Trustee Fonstad, seconded by Trustee Anderson, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to accept the bid of All-Ways Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$641,934 for the base bid, \$62,731 for Alternate Bid No. 1 and \$60,098 for Alternate Bid No. 2 for the 2024 Lake Drive Stormwater Improvement Project and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated March 6, 2024

Summer Beer Garden with New Barons Brewing Cooperative

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Ollman, and carried by roll call vote (7-0), to approve the beer garden relocation, and direct the Village Manager and Attorney to execute a beer garden license agreement.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Symchych announced meeting with potential Eagle Scout who interviewed about government. Fox Point hosted the ICC Meeting. Attended the Fire department meeting this morning, recruiting is becoming harder; fire departments in areas north are moving to full time paid positions. Milwaukee has a new pension system that you can move to other municipalities. Rang the closing bell at the stalk market on Friday.

Trustee Fonstad No announcements

Trustee Sumner announced In-person Absentee Voting starts March 19.

Trustee Ollman no announcements

Trustee Anderson announced an update for North Shore Library fundraising.

Trustee Aelion no announcements

Trustee Stoltz no announcements

Manager Botcher announced Badger Books training took place at Village Hall. Fox Point Open House will be June 15 with the opening of the Farmers Market.

ADJOURNMENT

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Motion made by President Symchych, second by Trustee Ollman, and carried by roll call vote (7-0) to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Village Clerk Sara A. Bruckman
Village Clerk Treasurer