

VILLAGE OF FOX POINT
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 13, 2026

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, December 9, 2025 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 to take roll call. Roll Call of the Village Board present included:

- Village President Christine Symchych
- Trustee Liz Aelion
- Trustee Barry
- Trustee Freedman - absent
- Trustee Miller
- Trustee Greg Ollman
- Trustee Jennie Stoltz

Also, present were Village Attorney Eric Larson, Interim Village Manager Mitch Reynolds, Public Works Director Scott Brandmeier, Assistant Village Manager Kevin Ausman, and Deputy Clerk Teri Repins

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

None

Hearing no comments, President Symchych closed public comment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Plan Commission

Trustee Miller explained the two items before the Plan Commission on January 5, 2026: the Conditional Use Permit application for Past Basket and the Harmony Wireless application for modification to the existing Verizon cell tower facility. Both items were recommended unanimously for approval to the Village Board.

PUBLIC HEARING

Conditional Use Permit Application for Past Basket

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to open the public hearing at 7:03 p.m., regarding approval of the Conditional Use Permit application for Past Basket.

There were no public comments.

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Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to close the public hearing at 7:04 p.m., regarding approval of the Conditional Use Permit application for Past Basket.

Resolution to Identify a Single Polling Location

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m., regarding a resolution to identify a single polling location.

Public Comment

Mark Grady, 8425 Indian Creek Pkwy, spoke in support of the resolution and mentioned that 4 of the 5 election chiefs met to visit Fox Point Lutheran Church and they all agreed the amount of space is better than anything they've had as the facility had a large renovation recently; voters can wait inside, it is all ADA compliant, in the event of a February election that conflicts with a church event the basement room is almost identical in size to accommodate voting, there is more than adequate parking, and therefore he supports the resolution.

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to close the public hearing at 7:08 p.m., regarding a resolution to identify a single polling location.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2025 Village Board meeting.
- b. Accept the proposal of Wachtel Tree Services in an amount not to exceed \$8,000 for the administration of the 2026 Emerald Ash Borer initiative and authorize the Village President and Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.
- c. Accept the proposal of Ruekert Mielke in an amount not to exceed \$47,702 for the performance of continuing work within the GIS database for activities performed throughout 2026 and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 6, 2026.
- d. Accept the proposal of Marek Landscaping in the amount of \$26,656.25 for control of invasive species, native planting, and monitoring Indian Creek and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.
- e. Accept the proposal of Marek Landscaping in the amount of \$6,732 for control of invasive species, native planting, and monitoring Indian Creek Woods Stewardship and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.
- f. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$33,790 for the televising of approximately 20,000 linear feet of sanitary sewers and authorize the

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Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated January 5, 2026.

- g. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in an amount not to exceed \$29,960 to design the rehabilitation of sanitary sewers in Basin Nos. 3,5, and 6 and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated January 5, 2026.
- h. Accept the quotes from multiple vendors in an amount not to exceed \$18,418 for the spring tree order purchase and authorize the Village Manager to execute the necessary purchase orders per the Village Forester's memorandum dated January 2, 2026.
- i. Approve the Green Infrastructure Ten-Year Maintenance Covenant between the Village of Fox Point and the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) for the Bioswales constructed along North Beach Drive and authorize the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the maintenance covenant pursuant to the Director of Public Works' memorandum dated January 5, 2026.
- j. Adopt Resolution to designate International Migratory Bird Day to be on May 2, 2026 in the Village of Fox Point.
- k. Approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$642,728.71 for the period December 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 per the report submitted by the Village Manager.
- l. Authorize the Interim Village Manager to approve and pay Invoice 4190 from 10-33 Vehicle Services in the amount of \$8977.98.
- m. Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2025 Special Village Board Budget meeting.

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to approve the consent agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. **Consideration of a resolution to identify a single polling location**

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), to combine the two polling locations into one; to be located at fox Point Lutheran Church and adopt the resolution as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Accept the Base Bid and Alternate Bid No. 5 of Michels Construction for the Beach Drive Jetty Improvement Project in the amount of \$720,562.47.**

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), The Village Board awarded the Base Bid for the Beach Drive Jetties Repair Project and Alternate Bid No. 5 to Michels Construction in the amount of \$720,562.47 and authorized the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.

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- b. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$61,020 for the construction management and inspection services associated with the Beach Drive Jetty Improvement Project**

Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Ollman, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), The Village Board accepted the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$61,020 for construction management and inspection services associated with the Beach Drive Jetties Repair Project and authorized the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.

- c. Accept the bid of WSO Grading & Excavating for the Flood Improvement Project in the amount of \$184,730**

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Barry, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), The Village Board awarded the Flood Improvement Project to WSO Grading & Excavating in the amount of \$184,730 and authorized the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026.

- d. Accept the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$27,600 for the construction management and inspection services associated with the Flood Improvement Project**

Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Ollman, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), The Village Board accepted the proposal of Kapur & Associates in the amount of \$27,600 for construction management and inspection services associated with the Flood Improvement Project and authorized the Village President and Village Clerk/Treasurer to sign the contract per the Director of Public Works memorandum dated January 5, 2026

- e. Consideration of a Conditional Use Permit Application for Past Basket**

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Barry, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), The Village Board approved the Conditional Use Permit application for change of ownership of an existing retail business, Past Basket, located at 383 W Brown Deer Road, as required per Village Code Sections 745-18.

- f. Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Not-substantial Modification to Wireless Telecommunications Mobile Service Facilities at 7200 N. Santa Monica Blvd.**

Motion by President Symchych, seconded by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0), the Village Board accepted the Plan Commission recommendation regarding the Not-substantial Modification to Wireless Telecommunications Mobile Service Facilities at 7200 N. Santa Monica Blvd. including the conditions imposed by the Plan Commission.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Symchych announced the Village of Fox Point hosted the I.C.C. meeting with presidents and mayors attending from neighboring communities. She wanted to thank Carmelo Fazzari from Calderone Club for coming in when they were not open and providing a phenomenal lunch. President Symchych mentioned the ice rink is closed at this time and thanked staff for all their work so far this season. President Symchych reminded everyone of the February 15th Fox Point Centennial birthday celebration and to access the village website for information on the bus tours hosted by Doug Frazer about the history of the village and find other significant dates and times concerning the celebration and a variety of other events.

Trustee Ollman - None

Trustee Aelion - None

Trustee Stoltz - None

Trustee Freedman - absent

Trustee Miller - None

Trustee Barry announced he had rsvp'd for the February 15th Centennial event and was looking forward to it.

Interim Manager Reynolds announced his thanks to staff for their work collecting taxes at Village Hall with a total of \$21 million collected so far, including \$1.8 million on December 29th alone. Residents appreciate the pie charts displayed at the counter explaining where their tax dollars go. Reminder this is the time to get pets licensed before March 31st as a \$6 late fee is assessed after this date. The rink and skating is not gone forever. Crews will be back out to prepare the rink when conditions are appropriate. The DPW is continuing leaf pick-up with alternate equipment making it a slower than usual process. The I.C.C. meeting was held here and he thanked the staff for their help in setting up for the meeting and cleaning up after. Manager Reynolds noted that most all area municipalities were represented at the meeting which was nice to see. There will be no Spring Primary election in February. And last, he extended a special thank you to Pastor Bill Knapp, at Fox Point Lutheran Church, his council and the whole congregation for their eagerness in providing their church as the single polling location in Fox Point.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by President Symchych, second by Trustee Miller, and carried by roll call vote (6-0) to adjourn the Village Board meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri Repins
Village Deputy Clerk