

City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
May 17, 2023

The May 17, 2023 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, at 6:43 p.m., following the common council meeting. In attendance were alderpersons Dan Ault, Marcy Benz, Bruce Harned, Peter Hartzheim, Dennis Linke and John Mund. Also attending were City Attorney Mike Devitt, Police Chief James Rohr, City Administrator Kelly Crombie, Librarian Erin Anders and City Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Quirk.

Public Works:

Water/sewer utilities:

Fire/Police:

City Administrator:

- Discussion of short-term rentals in the City of Fox Lake: A draft copy of the tourist rooming houses ordinance was given to the council for review. Also, further discussion on the price of the annual filing fee. This will need to be presented at the planning commission for recommendation to the council, prior to voting.
- Discussion of solicitation of proposals for garbage and recycling services: Discussion on the draft of requests for proposals to new potential waste haulers. The council discussed requesting the 95-gallon carts for both recycling and garbage for all properties. At this time the council would like to continue with the biweekly recycling pick up and weekly garbage pick up. The council also prefers to continue to offer the spring bulk pick up, if possible.
- Discussion of geese management: This was a follow up discussion on allowing Robert Culver to spray the grass area of Clausen Park with methyl anthranilate, a nontoxic, biodegradable food ingredient to attempt to detour the geese from coming into the park. The council was in favor and will place it on the next council agenda for voting.
- Discussion of City Administrator Professional Dues: The council discussed and was in agreement with the City paying the City Administrator's bar dues.
- Administrator Crombie shared the City Administrator Report with the council.

Building & Parks:

License & Finance:

Personnel:

Library:

- Librarian Anders shared the Library Board minutes from the last meeting. Highlighting that the board voted to add a State Park day pass than can be checked out. The library is preparing for the summer reading program. Most of the program has been paid for by donations. The library is working towards finding armchairs to implement into the library as part of moving towards a dementia friendly environment.

Audit & Review:

Cemetery, recycling & transfer station:

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.