

City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
May 18, 2022

The May 18, 2022 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, at 6:38 p.m., in the council chambers. Those in attendance were alderpersons Dan Ault, Bruce Harned, Peter Hartzheim, Dennis Linke and John Mund present. Marcy Benz was absent. Also attending were City DPW Superintendent Gene Huettner, City Attorney Mike Devitt, Librarian Erin Anders, City Administrator Kelly Crombie, City Treasurer Krystal McCauley and City Clerk Jenny Quirk.

In the audience was Ken Thomas.

Public Works:

Water/sewer utilities:

Fire/Police:

City Administrator:

Crombie shared the City Administrator Report which consisted of the following topics: updates on the Dodge County Board awarding of ARPA funds. The RDA has approved the loan with ERGO Bank to refinance the Meagher purchase. The DNR grant for Clausen Park has been applied for. Riverstone has begun their construction project. Also giving recognition to the Fox Lake Fire and EMS for the recent rescue and recovery operation on Fox Lake.

Crombie provided handouts from MSA to the council to show the bids for the 2022 roadwork. There was discussion of potential utility projects which included sewer slip lining of Center St. and Jansen Dr. as well as water main work on Forest St. and State St.

Crombie recapped that in April the council approved a resolution acquiring 2 parcels from Dodge County via property tax foreclosure process. One parcel is E. Hamilton St. and the second parcel is a part of the undeveloped Depot St. Looking to see how the council wants to handle the second parcel containing the portion of the undeveloped Depot St. cul-de-sac. This will be discussed further.

Crombie shared that MSA has submitted the final DNR stewardship grant application for a total amount of \$628,332 with the City match of \$314,166. He would like to see an official City Clausen Park Ad Hoc committee established which would be an arm of the City and make recommendation to the City Council on the project. This will be voted on at the June council meeting.

Crombie would like to further discuss the sewer lateral responsibility. He feels we need a clear definition of who is responsible for which portion of the sewer lateral, so it is clear in the ordinance. The Mayor would like the water and sewer committee to meet and address this further.

There was a request from a council member to further discuss food trucks in the City. Should we consider the need for a permit, a conditional use permit structure or specific regulations? This will be discussed further in June.

Building & Parks:

License & Finance:

McCauley provided a handout and an update on the City of Fox Lake quarterly financial report.

Personnel:

Library:

Anders shared the Library Board minutes for both April 5th and May 3rd. They will be working on a logo contest. They have stayed busy with the St. John's and SAGES classes at the library.

Audit & Review:**Cemetery, recycling & transfer station:**

Motion by Linke, seconded by Hartzheim to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85(c) to consider, employment, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility specifically compensation for the water department operator. Vote in favor: Linke, Mund, Ault, Harned and Hartzheim. Motion carried.

Motion by Linke, seconded by Ault at 7:44 pm to reconvene to open session. Vote in favor: Ault, Harned, Hartzheim Linke and Mund. Motion carried.

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.