

City of Fox Lake
Committee of the Whole Synopsis
July 12, 2023

The July 12, 2023 committee of the whole meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek, at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were alderpersons Dan Ault, Marcy Benz, Bruce Harned, Peter Hartzheim, Dennis Linke and John Mund. Also attending were City Attorney Mike Devitt, City Administrator Kelly Crombie, Librarian Erin Anders, DPW Superintendent Geno Huettner, City Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Quirk and Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Jane Fude.

Water/sewer utilities:

Fire/Police:

City Administrator:

- Discussion of City Financial Review. A year to date copy of the budget was given to council for review.
- Discussion of 2024 Budget Process. The City will be following the same budget schedule as last year. Discussion of creating a contingency account in 2024. The purpose would be for unexpected expenses that may come up and a way to try to build reserves again. Also noting that the Clausen Park construction will be a major capital project in 2024.
- USDA Sewer Debt. Crombie provided an analysis from the USDA and noted that he will be informing them that we are unable to obtain alternative financing at the moment that makes financial sense for the City. This will allow the loans to remain with the USDA.
- Discussion of HVAC in community center. There were 2 bids provided for the replacement of the 2 community center furnaces and thermostats. There will need to be a special council meeting scheduled to move forward.

Building & Parks:

License & Finance:

Personnel:

Library:

- Librarian Anders shared the Library Board minutes from the last meeting. She also noted that the summer reading program was going well.

Audit & Review:

Cemetery, recycling & transfer station:

Public Works:

Motion to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 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. Specifically, to discuss DPW staffing. Vote in favor: Benz, Harned, Hartzheim, Linke, Mund and Ault. Motion carried.

Motion to reconvene to open session. Vote in favor: Harned, Hartzheim, Linke, Mund, Ault and Benz. Motion carried.

With no other business to come before the committee of the whole, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.