



## VILLAGE OF FOX LAKE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF ILLINOIS,                    }  
Lake and McHenry Counties,        } ss.

### Village of Fox Lake

At the regular Board Meeting, held in said Village and County in the State of Illinois at 6:30 p.m. on November 10, 2015 meeting was called to order by Mayor Schmit. The following official business was transacted:

#### Roll Call

Present Mayor Schmit: Village Clerk Warden, Attorney Teegen; Trustees: Murrey, Jensen, Stochl, Marr, Konwent and Koske.

Staff also in attendance: Anne Marrin, Stephanie Hannon, Carol Ward, Dan Miller, Ryan Kelly, Luke Catullo, Donovan Day, Interim Chief Michael Keller, Interim Deputy Chief Kurek, PIO Sgt. Chris Covelli.

#### I. Preliminary Audience Comments:

There were no preliminary audience comments this evening.

#### II. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Konwent made a *motion* to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2015 seconded by Trustee Marr.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Trustee Murrey	Aye
Trustee Jensen	Aye
Trustee Stochl	Aye
Trustee Konwent	Aye
Trustee Marr	Aye
Trustee Koske	Aye

**Motion Carried**

#### III. Administrator Update

Anne Marrin stated she would like to present the expenditures, warrants, and transfers for November 10, 2015. She asked if there were any questions. There were none. Anne stated if there were no questions there would be a motion to approve this evening under Finance.

#### IV. Recess to the Committee of the Whole

Trustee Koske made a *motion* to recess into the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 6:31 p.m., Seconded by Trustee Konwent.

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey           Aye*  
*Trustee Jensen         Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl         Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent       Aye*  
*Trustee Marr           Aye*  
*Trustee Koske         Aye*

*Motion Carried*

**V. Committee of the Whole**

**A. Finance**

Trustee Stochl asked that Finance Director Stephanie Hannon speak to the Board regarding the Tax Levy for the 2016-2017 year. Mrs. Hannon presented the Board with the “Truth in Taxation Act and the proposed 2015 property tax levy. The truth in taxation act requires that at least twenty (20) days prior to the passage of the tax levy ordinance, the Village must estimate the amount of tax levy. Stephanie stated that since the estimated tax levy is under 5% no public hearing is required. Stephanie stated that the Village is requesting a 4 ½ % increase for the Tax Levy to capture any new growth. However, she does not foresee us having a large increase in development but we want to capture whatever that would be if there was any development.

**B. Building and Zoning**

Trustee Marr stated that it is that time of year to adopt the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance. He asked the Board if there were any questions. There were none.

**C. Parks and Recreation**

Trustee Koske went through the following events and programs in the Village. All events and programs can be found on the Village website at [foxlake.org](http://foxlake.org)

- Save the Date! Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> The Village of Fox Lake & Korpan’s Landing Illuminated Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony  
The theme for this year’s parade is “A Magical Christmas.”
- Safe Sitter training class is accepting registrations at this time.
- Senior Friends will be heading to Rosewood for lunch and a show on Thursday, November 19, 2015.

**D. Planning**

Trustee Marr stated that he would be looking for a motion for the revisions in the Façade Improvement Program. Trustee Marr stated that the revision clarifies and any confusing aspects of the Ordinance as well having the Plan Commission act as the Façade Improvement Committee to remove village staff and elected officials from the final decision making process. Trustee Marr asked if there were any questions. There were none.

**E. Public Safety**

Trustee Jensen stated he had nothing to report from Public Safety this evening.

**F. Sewer and Water**

Trustee Murrey stated that he had nothing to report this evening from Sewer and Water.

**G. Streets**

Trustee Konwent stated that she motion this evening in regards to the Chicagoland Paving Pay request #1. She asked the Board if there were any questions. There were none.

Trustee Konwent stated that she would be looking for a motion to sell a vehicle at an on-line auction. She asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Trustee Konwent stated that she would be asking for a motion for the purchase a new Ford Utility Police Interceptor AWD vehicle for the N.W.R.W.R.F through the N.W.M.C. Suburban Purchasing Cooperate Contract from Currie Motors. She asked the Board if there were any questions. There were none.

**VI. Motion to adjourn from Committee of the Whole and Reconvene Village Board Meeting**

*Trustee Jensen made a **motion** to adjourn from the Committee of the Whole and reconvene the Village Board Meeting at 6:37 p.m., Seconded by Trustee Marr.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Trustee Murrey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Aye</i>

***Motion Carried***

**VII. Motions for Approval**

**• Finance**

*Trustee Stochl made a **motion** to approve the total Expenditures of \$882,605.43, 11/6/15 Payroll of \$234,189.57, Externality Fee \$0, IMRF- October 2015 Payment of \$40,367.17 and Police Pension payments of \$0; Dated November 10, 2015 in the total amount of \$1,157,903.94, Seconded by Trustee Koske.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Trustee Murrey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Aye</i>

***Motion Carried***

**• Building and Zoning**

*Trustee Marr made a **motion** to approve the adoption of the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance, most recently amended on October 13, 2015 amending ordinance section 9-1-4, titled 9-4-1: Stormwater Management Regulations Adopted and authorize the Attorney to prepare the necessary ordinance, Seconded by Trustee Konwent.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Trustee Murrey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
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*Trustee Jensen*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*        *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

**Planning**

*Trustee Marr made a **motion** to approve to the Plan Commission Recommendation regarding the façade Improvement Program, amending Ordinance sections 2-8-4: Powers of Corporate Authorities, 2-8-5: Façade Improvement Program, 2-8-6: Funding, and 2-8-7: Definitions; and authorize the Attorney to prepare the necessary Ordinance, Seconded by Trustee Koske.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Jensen*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*        *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

**Streets**

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** to approve the sale of a Motor Vehicle owned by the Village of Fox Lake at a Public On-Auction through Obenauf Auction Services and authorize the Attorney to prepare the necessary Ordinance, Seconded by Trustee Marr.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Jensen*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*        *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** to purchase one (1) new Ford Utility Police Interceptor AWD vehicle for the N.W.R.W.R.F through the N.W.M.C. Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Contract #152 from Currie Motors for a purchase price of \$26,959.00 , Seconded by Trustee Jensen.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Jensen*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*        *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

**VII. Items to be Removed from the Consent Agenda**

**VIII. Consent Agenda**

*Trustee Jensen made a **motion** to move that items A through D to be established as the Consent Agenda for this meeting by unanimous vote, seconded by Trustee Konwent.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Trustee Murrey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Aye</i>

***Motion Carried***

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** that the consent agenda as established by the prior motion be passed, seconded by Trustee Jensen.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

<i>Trustee Murrey</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Jensen</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Stochl</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Konwent</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Marr</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Trustee Koske</i>	<i>Aye</i>

***Motion Carried***

**IX. Items removed for the Consent Agenda**

**X. Attorney Comments**

Howard stated that we have entered into an agreement to accept Woodland Green roads and they have deeded them to the Village and they have given us a title policy. However, they have not given us an engineer's certification because there were some aberrations in the way the roads were established from Phase I and Phase II. Howard stated that he has requested this certification and we should have it soon.

**XI. President's Comments**

Mayor Schmit read a Proclamation making November 13, 2015 World Pancreatic Cancer Day. A copy is available on file at the Village Hall.

**Remarks from Mayor Schmit:**

Good evening and thank you for joining us this evening. Last week the news from the Major Crime Task Force has left our community stunned and, frankly, feeling deceived. For the last seven years, Joe Gliniewicz was using the Explorer's Program not only for the betterment of our community, but also for his own personal gains at the expense of our community and the kids who participated in that program. As a community, we need to deal with the fact that while he did help many, he was far from the hero that he wanted us to think he was. Several emotions are running thorough community. Confusion, anger, disbelief, and feeling betrayed are just a few of the emotions in our community right now. But, we as a community must move forward. We can find strength and energy in our shared goal of putting this incident behind us and making Fox Lake even stronger. The last two months have been major, defining events in our community's history. FOIA's, interviews, media presence and the uncertainty have understandably consumed our time and energy to such an extent that we in some respects have been unable to continue

conducting regular activities. For example, we cancelled our annual Town Hall meeting back in September because we felt it was too soon to be discussing other Village business. Well, it's time to move forward. I'd like to reschedule the Town Hall meeting as soon as possible so we can give our residents a forum to share their ideas, their opinions and their suggestions about how we can continue to grow and make Fox Lake an even stronger community than we are today. We have several serious issues that we must address as a community.

If you don't learn from history, you're doomed to repeat it. So how do we move forward without making the same mistakes? We do that by learning what we can about this very unfortunate series of events, and putting in the proper controls and accountability measures to ensure something like this never happens again.

We must continue our investigations. I make this suggestion with full knowledge that we will find areas of deficiency and that changes will need to be made. Some of these areas of deficiency may once again embarrass us, but we must do the right thing. I feel confident that we are facing these challenges head on.

Of primary importance is addressing the challenges we face with respect to the future of the Fox Lake Police Department. Joe Gliniewicz's spree in the Explorers Program and our police department is over. We are going to move forward. It is now our job to support the department and its officers by giving them the guidance, direction, leadership and resources they deserve.

We all want a modern police department that serves the community first, is fully accountable and focuses squarely on the mission of keeping our town safe while also strengthening the connection between officers and those they serve. Our mission is to serve the community. The overwhelming majority of officers wearing our uniform agrees with this and helps us deliver on this mission. We are proud of the work they do and have done during these very trying times.

But we are fools if we don't at least acknowledge that we can do better and with your support, direction and leadership, we will be better. Interim Chief Keller and his team are moving the Department in the right direction. I would like to thank him for his dedication and his commitment to putting on the right track. Meanwhile, our search for a permanent chief continues. We need a chief who not only will continue the community outreach programs but can also be innovative with respect to fighting crime and addressing community concerns and we need a leader of men and women who will restore confidence and faith in the work our police officers do. I look forward to the process that will lead to the selection of the next chief. But in spite of these very real challenges we face, I have no doubt in my mind that this body, our police officers and our residents are up to the task. There has been countless challenging moments that we've faced over these past two months. But never have I felt we are unable to face these challenges because I know in my heart that the members of this body, our dedicated and hardworking staff and the residents of this great community all want to see us come out of this better and stronger and working together, that's exactly what we will do.

Mayor Schmit then stated that he would like to discuss his recent trip to San Diego. Mayor Schmit stated that he has known the former chief of police for many years. Our relationship was a professional and a personal one and now since he is retired, we no longer have a professional relationship, however, we still maintain our friendship.

Nothing is more important during serious, challenging times than having friends and family supporting you all along and ours is a mutual support. I value his 30 years of service that he gave to the Fox Lake community and I value his friendship.

Now about the San Diego trip. This is a trip we've been taking for years. About a dozen of us pick a Chicago Bears road game every year and organize a trip as soon as the schedule comes out. It's just a trip between friends, nothing official and I'm sure I'll be going again next year with the same group.

Quite frankly, I don't believe our residents care if I am attending a football game with friends on a long weekend. They want to see us continue deliver key services, attract new businesses, improve our schools and keep their families safe. That's what they care about.

How I spend my free time and who I spend it with doesn't affect the Village. Covering it is nothing but a distraction from the work we all need to do to recover from all this and move on in a way that makes Fox Lake stronger and prouder than it ever has been before.

Thank you.

Mayor Schmit then stated that the Fox Lake Veterans Day Celebration will be held at 11a.m. tomorrow in downtown Fox Lake at the Metra Station.

## **XII. Audience Comments**

Gary Rabine stated thanked the Board for hiring Anne Marrin. He stated that at first he was against it because of the money however she needs a very huge hand on what she has done and what she has found out and everyone owes her a vote of appreciation.

Rose Szczech stated that she has been a long time resident of Fox Lake and she commended Anne for her courage to do and what she continues to do for the Village.

## **XIII. Executive Session**

*Trustee Konwent made a **motion** to retire into Executive Session at 6:53p.m. for Personnel and Threatened Litigation to include Anne Marrin Village Administrator, Deputy Clerk, Carol Ward, Interim Chief Keller, PIO Sgt. Chris Covelli, Interim Deputy Chief Scott Kurek, Under Sheriff Ray Rose, Jimmy Lee, Labor Attorney Yvette Heinzelman and Village Attorney Howard Teegen, Seconded by Trustee Jensen.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey           Aye*

*Trustee Jensen           Aye*

*Trustee Stochl           Aye*

*Trustee Konwent        Aye*

*Trustee Marr            Aye*

*Trustee Koske           Aye*

***Motion Carried***

## **XIV. Reconvene the Village Board Meeting**

*Trustee Jensen made a **motion** to reconvene the Village Board Meeting at 8:24 p.m., seconded by Trustee Konwent.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey           Aye*

*Trustee Jensen           Aye*

*Trustee Stochl*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*       *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

**XV. Adjournment**

*Trustee Stochl made a motion to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 8:24 p.m., seconded by Trustee Jensen.*

*A roll call vote was taken as follows:*

*Trustee Murrey*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Jensen*          *Aye*  
*Trustee Stochl*           *Aye*  
*Trustee Konwent*        *Aye*  
*Trustee Marr*            *Aye*  
*Trustee Koske*          *Aye*  
***Motion Carried***

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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Niki Warden, Village Clerk

## Consent Agenda

- A. A motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-37, a Resolution accepting the Proposal from Meier's Outdoor World, Inc. for Installation of a Fence around the Holiday Park Water Tower Site.**
- B. A motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-38, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Village Clerk of the Village of Fox Lake, to Sign and Thereby Accept the Proposal from Automatic Systems Co. for the Phase 2 Scada Improvement Project.**
- C. A motion to approve Ordinance 2015-49, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Fox Lake, by granting a Special Use to Neetu Gursahani, D/B/A VNN, Incorporated to Operate a Convenience Store with Sales of Liquor at the Property at 1 S. Route 12, Fox Lake, Illinois.**
- D. A motion to approve Resolution 2015-R-39, A Resolution of Support for CDBG Grant Applications and Commitment of Funds.**