

President Brolley called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Trustee Gier	Yea	Trustee Betsinger	Absent
Trustee Sperling	Yea	Trustee Jungermann	Yea
Trustee Lee	Yea	Trustee Marecek	Yea

Also present: Administrator Jeff Zoepfel, Attorney Laura Julien, Director of Public Works Mark Wolf, Director of Finance Justin VanVooren, Director of Community Development Sonya Abt, Engineers Peter Wallers and Jeff Freeman, Chief of Police Phillip Smith, Clerk Penny Fitzpatrick. Members of the Press and others.

President Brolley advised that the meeting was being held both in person and remotely pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order regarding the pandemic. Trustee Sperling was present for the meeting remotely via zoom video conference.

**Public Participation**

**A. Public Comments.**

President Brolley inquired and Administrator Zoepfel confirmed that no Public Comments were received for the meeting.

**Consent Agenda**

**A. Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of March 8, 2021.**

**B. Accounts Payable through March 18, 2021 in the Amount of \$980,628.10.**

**C. Ordinance 1910 Authorizing the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to Hire Police Officers through Lateral Transfer (Second Reading).**

Trustee Lee commented on two Accounts Payable amounts and noted this information pertained to new homes being built that were served by the Oswego and Yorkville School Districts.

Trustee Lee moved to approve Items A-C on the Consent Agenda. Trustee Gier seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Lee, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Gier and Trustee Sperling voting yea.

**Items for Separate Action**

**A. Ordinance 1909 Adopting the Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets for Fiscal Year 2022 (Second Reading).**

Director VanVooren summarized Ordinance 1909 and noted a few minor changes to the FY2022 Budget. President Brolley requested that the full budget be posted on the Village website once it was approved.

Trustee Marecek moved to approve Ordinance 1909 Adopting the Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets for Fiscal Year 2022 (Second Reading). Trustee Jungermann seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee and Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

**B. Award of a Contract for Village-Wide Leak Survey to ME Simpson in the Amount of \$24,750.00.**

Director Wolf shared this leak detection service incorporated the water distribution for Montgomery and unincorporated Boulder Hill. He noted this annual survey was conducted to detect leaks and reduce daily water loss within the system. He further summarized ME Simpson was the only qualified bidder for the project, the bid came in slightly over budget and adjustments would need to be made to the budget for this item in the next fiscal year.

Trustees Lee and Jungermann inquired and Director Wolf explained ME Simpson had done work with the Village previously and advised the lowest bid was not recommended due to RFP requirements. Trustee Marecek and President Brolley asked and Director Wolf noted

the water leak survey paid for itself each year in estimated water loss savings and advised the survey would be conducted after hydrant flushing was completed. Trustee Lee asked and Director Wolf advised where the water main breaks had occurred in Boulder Hill and the River Street corridor.

Trustee Gier **moved to approve Award of a Contract for Village-Wide Leak Survey to ME Simpson in the Amount of \$24,750.00.**

Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee, Trustee Jungermann and Trustee Marecek voting yea.

<b>Items for Discussion</b>
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**A. Regional Water Supply Discussion.**

Engineer Freeman noted and President Brolley agreed that Board discussion and feedback was needed to determine which alternate water supply options should be considered, compared and evaluated to determine the best long-term supply option for the Village. He explained the sustainability issues with the deep well aquifers currently used and noted Montgomery would need to seek another water source to stabilize and ensure needed water levels going forward. Engineer Freeman further noted a recent Illinois State Water Survey evaluated the deep aquifer wells in the region and shared the most sustainable regional water supply in the area was the Fox River.

He noted the Board would need to decide whether to potentially connect to and utilize Fox River water independently, jointly with Oswego and Yorkville or purchase water from Aurora's excess water system capacity. He further shared an Illinois Department of Natural Resources permit would be needed to utilize the Fox River water source. Engineer Freeman also explained Lake Michigan water could be accessed by joining the DuPage Water Commission, Illinois Lake Water Company or the developing Joliet Area Water Commission to purchase treated and transported lake water. He further outlined the differences between these three water commissions and explained the long-term water connection agreement that would be necessary to partner with any of these three.

Engineer Freeman further summarized that each of the six possible alternate water source options would need to be compared to determine which one offered the best overall long-term alternate water supply for the Village. He noted important variables to consider included capital, maintenance and water rate costs, implementation risks, water quality, management/staffing, control/governance and the sustainability/quantity of each individual system. He further addressed when the complete cost analysis for the Regional Water Supply would be brought back to the Board for consideration and action in Fall 2021 and when water system connection could potentially take place for each of the systems being considered.

Trustee Jungermann questioned how and where the Village's existing wells, water treatment and lime softening plant could be converted to treat and transmit Fox River water to Montgomery, Oswego and Yorkville. Engineer Freeman noted those costs could be compared to the other alternate water source options. Also asked was whether a long-term agreement would be necessary to join one of the water commissions to control their water transmission fees and rates and ensure consistent water supply and flow to the region. It was noted that only wholesale water would be purchased in the agreement and lead service lines/water main issues would not be included. President Brolley noted Montgomery would want representation on one of the water commissions if that water supply option was selected. Trustee Lee inquired and Engineer Freeman noted he could advise the Board on how much Naperville's water contract rates had increased over the last 15 years.

Trustees Lee and Jungermann further inquired whether minimum and maximum gallon withdrawal limits would be required to participate in the newly developing Joliet Area Water Commission. Administrator Zoepfel discussed the water capacity demand needs would need to be defined and the cost to connect to the system and water quality controls would need to be determined. Trustees Lee and Marecek questioned how much the current residential and commercial water bills would increase with the six alternate water supply options discussed. Trustees Sperling, Marecek, Jungermann and Lee further inquired how the backup wells would be tested, treated and maintained going forward with the supply options presented. Also asked was how the lime softening treatment plant would be utilized or expanded in regard to construction of the new Public Works Building. Director Wolf addressed whether the existing plant would remain operational and whether the construction design of the new facility would allow for sufficient capacity expansion and staffing needs.

President Brolley noted a Professional Services Agreement with EEI, Inc. will be brought to the Board at a future meeting to help assess the water supply options available and come to a decision on this important matter. Trustee Gier noted his preference to partner with Aurora to utilize their existing water treatment system along with the Village's existing wells to minimize transmission and treatment costs. President Brolley noted more discussions on this issue would take place to determine what alternate water supply option would be best for the community in the long term. He thanked Engineer Freeman for his presentation on this topic.

**New or Unfinished Business**

Trustee Gier noted the new Beatification Committee Seasonal Banners had been received and were being installed throughout the Village by the Public Works Department. He and Trustee Jungermann thanked Public Works for completing this project and noted positive community feedback had been shared once the banners had been installed.

**Future Meetings**

- A. Plan Commission – Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (May Be Canceled).
- B. Village Board Meeting – Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
- C. Beautification Committee – Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- D. Historic Preservation Commission – Monday, April 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
- E. Committee of the Whole Meeting – Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. (May Be Canceled).
- F. Intergovernmental Committee Meeting—Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
- G. Village Board Meeting—Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Executive Session: 8:36 – 8:37 p.m.**

**A. To Discuss the Minutes of Meetings for the Purposes of Approval by the Body of the Minutes as Mandated by Section 2.06 Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).**

President Brolley noted the Board would go into Executive Session and reconvene again afterwards to take action on the Release of Executive Session Minutes.

Trustee Jungermann **moved to Go Into Executive Session To Discuss the Minutes of Meetings for the Purposes of Approval by the Body of the Minutes as Mandated by Section 2.06 Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).** Trustee Gier seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling and Trustee Lee voting yea.

**Items for Separate Action**

**A. Report on Closed Session Minutes.**

President Brolley called the meeting back to order at 8:38 p.m. to Report on Closed Session Minutes. Attorney Julien noted per discussion in Executive Session that she recommended a motion for release of the Executive Session Minutes from the September 14, 2020 meeting, which discussed the last six-month review of minutes.

Trustee Marecek **moved to approve the Report and Release of Closed Session Minutes.** Trustee Gier seconded this motion.

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Lee and Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

**Adjournment: 8:39 p.m.**

Seeking no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trustee Jungermann and seconded by Trustee Marecek to **adjourn the meeting.**

5 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling and Trustee Lee voting yea.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Fitzpatrick  
Village Clerk