

**VILLAGE OF SHOREWOOD HILLS**  
**Board of Trustee**  
**Special Townhall Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, October 2, 2024 – 6:30 pm**  
**Location: Village Hall – 810 Shorewood Blvd.**  
**Hybrid – Virtual via Zoom**

**1. Call to Order:**

Village President John Imes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call:**

Members Present: Village President John Imes, Carol Barford, Dietmar Bassuner, Bob Falk, Mark Lederer (joined later) and Robb Stankey

Members Absent: Shabnam Lotfi (excused)

Also in Attendance: Village Administrator Brian Mooney, Clerk-Treasurer Julie Fitzgerald, DPW Superintendent Tary Handschke, Lieutenant Jaime Weitzel,

Via Zoom: Interim Forrester Patrick Finnegan and Pool Manager Dane Sheehan

**3. Statement of Public Notice:**

Fitzgerald stated the meeting was properly noticed.

**4. Procedures Orientation:**

**Facebook Live Statement:** Imes noted that the meeting was being live-streamed on the Village's Facebook page and any comments provided through Facebook may not be considered contemporaneously by those at the meeting. Comments should be sent to the Village Administrator (bmooney@shorewood-hills.org) and he will disseminate them to the Trustees.

**5. Townhall Discussion:**

The Townhall is an open forum for discussion and no formal Board action was taken.

**7:18 Mark Lederer joined meeting via Zoom**

General questions were asked about current and future Townhall Meeting structure. Several people suggested that future meetings have a topic and presentation by the Administrator or Board to help narrow down the subjects being discussed.

Topics Included:

- Facilities Study – Discussion of needs and funding with update that final study is not yet available
- Communication – Several residents expressed opinions and ideas to enhance communication between residents, trustees and Village staff. Suggestions included more townhall meetings, posting meetings on YouTube, mailing colored postcards for surveys and events, improved website layout for ease of use
- Budget / Planning - Discussion of how the different plans the Village has in place (Capital Improvements Plan, University Avenue Corridor Plan, Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, Strategic Plan) are reflected in the Budget and other Board decisions. A suggestion was made that the Village focus on budgeting for “needs” and ask residents to help fund “wants” and/or special projects through donations.

- Development – When asked if there are any development plans along the University Corridor or the Garden Homes neighborhood in the near future, Imes indicated that there are no immediate plans presented at this time. All projects would need to be comply with all zoning and building permit requirements as well as be presented to the Plan Commission for approvals of any Planned Unit Developments (PUDs).

**6. Adjourn:**

**M/S Bassuner/Falk to adjourn. Motion carried.**

**The Village Board adjourned at 8:33 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Julie Fitzgerald*  
*Village Clerk-Treasurer*