

**Village of Shorewood Hills
Board of Trustees Minutes
Monday, November 5, 2018**

1. Called to Order Village President David Benforado called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call Members of the Board present were Mr. Benforado and Trustees Fred Wade, Anne Readel, Mark Lederer, John Imes, Tracy Bailey and Village Treasurer Sean Cote. Trustee Scott Friedman was excused. Also in attendance were Public Works Crew Chief John Mitmoen, Police Chief Aaron Chapin, Village Forester Corey George, Administrative Services Manager/Deputy Clerk David Sykes, Village Administrator Karl Frantz and Village Clerk Karla Endres.

3. Statement of Public Notice Karl Frantz stated the meeting has been properly noticed.

4. Appointments-

Ms. Readel moved and Mr. Lederer seconded a motion to recommend Katie Petykowski to the Ad Hoc Disaster Preparedness Committee.

Motion passed 6-0.

5. Presentation of 2019 draft recommended general, debt service, water, sewer, stormwater, waterfront, pool, tax increment district III and IV and capital fund budgets and other financial information

Mr. Frantz presented the Village funds finances. He explained the contents of each proposed budget. He explained the goal for the general fund is to sustain itself without the use of one time revenue sources. Mr. Frantz stated that the Finance Committee has recommended \$160,000 be removed from the tax levy and be put on the utility bill as a fee for public fire protection.

Mr. Frantz explained the proposed budget calls for an increase in staffing for the first time in 15 years. The proposal is to add another full time officer to help cover the night shifts and allow for a supervisor on that shift. He also mentioned the addition of a half time position to help the Village Forester year round.

He explained the package of wages and benefits and stated that the proposed increase is more than in the recent years.

He reviewed the debt amounts for each fund and the position the Village is in with regards to their borrowing. They borrowed at favorable times in the past and have payment schedules that are usually ten years and a couple that are 15 year borrowings.

He briefly gave an update on the TIF districts and their progress.

There was a discussion on the capital budget and the \$211,500 in purchases proposed for 2019.

Mr. Frantz explained the expenses of the flood and the extent to which the Village may be responsible for repairs both covered and not covered by insurance.

i. Public comments- There was no public comment.

ii. Possible Board actions regarding Village finances and 2018 budgets in preparation for Public Hearing and final budget approvals on November 19

Mr. Imes asked if there was consideration to not levying the maximum.

Mr. Wade explained that it was necessary to levy the maximum due to the levy limit imposed by the state, and the need to have the levy capacity in the future to fund future increases in operating expenses.

Mr. Benforado stated he is comfortable with the budget that was presented. He is comfortable with the additional vehicle as an addition to the fleet. He stated he would like to see advanced technology in the future and that we should start looking at electric vehicles.

Mr. Benforado then went into the capital plan and asked about the purchase of the body worn cameras.

Ms. Readel would like to see the four corners bathrooms renovated in 2019.

Mr. Wade reported that the community center roof is leaking again, and that our contractor is not willing to guarantee that a repair would last for even one storm. He added that the Services Committee is recommending that the roof is replaced, preferably during 2019.

Mr. Benforado stated the community center roof should be taken up by the services committee to see what type of fix should be done. One issue is how to change the pitch of the roof. The pool committee has also raised the possibility of a rooftop viewing area which would change the way the roof would be done. He would like to see this project in 2019.

Mr. Wade said that the asphalt path along Harvard, Columbia and Amherst is deteriorated and in need of repair.

Mr. Imes asked if the school walk path could be done at the same time as another paving project in the Village to combine bids and save some labor costs.

Mr. Benforado would like to see two bids come in for the walk path- one option to mill in place and one option to pave over the existing asphalt. A third option would be to bid a total reconstruct of the walk path.

Mr. Wade mentioned that there was a recommendation from Finance to have the \$160,000 transferred from the debt service to the capital fund in 2019.

Mr. Benforado stated that we should add to the 2019 capital budget for flood remediation.

Mr. Lederer would like to see the flood remediation projects put into the budget individually so the Board can pick and choose which projects take priority.

Ms. Readel stated that the Village had agreed to pay \$5,000 toward the Heiden Haus renovations along with the donations that were intended to 100% fund the remodel project.

Mr. Benforado asked that the Board consider raising the stormwater fee in the next year or two to help fund expenses that might in turn cause a deficit if not raised in the near future.

6. Set Special Board meeting date and time to consider certified survey map and enter into other agreements related to the Lodgic Project and bike path acquisition.

7:00 am Thursday November 8th.

5. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Endres, Village Clerk