

Village of Bensenville
Board Room
12 South Center Street
Bensenville, Illinois 60106
Counties of DuPage and Cook

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
August 13, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: 1. President DeSimone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: 2. Upon roll call by Village Clerk, Nancy Quinn, the following Board Members were present:

President DeSimone, Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

Absent: Carmona

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: E. Summers, L. Banovetz, J. Caracci, S. Flynn, M. Leyva, K. Pozsgay, D. Schulze, C. Williamsen

PUBLIC HEARING: President DeSimone opened the Public Hearing for General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties Illinois, in an Aggregate Principal Amount not to Exceed \$2,000,000 at 6:31 p.m.

Upon roll call by Village Clerk, Nancy Quinn, the following Board Members were present:

President DeSimone, Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

Absent: Carmona

A quorum was present.

Village Manager, Evan Summers stated On July 16, 2024, the Village Board approved an ordinance authorizing the issuance of general obligation alternate revenue bonds in one or more series and in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. Mr. Summers stated the bond proceeds will be used for of the financing and construction of certain public capital improvements in the Sesame Street Special Service Area, including the full reconstruction of the roadway, installation of new curb gutters, installation of sidewalks, and installation of lighting for the purpose of benefiting the residents, property owners, visitors and other members of the public who utilize Sesame Street the area.

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President DeSimone asked if there was any member of the Public that would like to make Public Comment regarding the General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties Illinois, in an Aggregate Principal Amount not to Exceed \$2,000,000. There was none.

Close: Trustee Perez made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President DeSimone closed the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: **John Bell – 980 County Club Drive, Bensenville, Illinois 60106**
Mr. Bell shared his frustration with the condition of his neighbors property and speeding on County Club Drive. President DeSimone asked that Staff contact Mr. Bell regarding his neighbors property and suggested placing a speed radar on Mr. Bell's property.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 4. The July 16, 2024 Village Board Meeting minutes were presented.

Motion: Trustee Panicola made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

WARRANT NO. 24/12: 5. President DeSimone presented **Warrant No. 24/12** in the amount of \$3,007,912.23.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the warrant as presented. Trustee Frey the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-113-2024:

6. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No.R-113-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Ads on Comcast in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$25,000**

Director of Community and Economic Development, Kurtis Pozsgay stated the Community & Economic Development Department is seeking to purchase ad time on Comcast to boost economic development efforts.

Mr. Pozsgay stated CED spent roughly \$5,000 on ads in 2022 and \$25,000 in 2023 utilizing our "Think Bensenville" ads.

Mr. Pozsgay stated CED is looking to maintain spending this year, with a focus on our new ads "Think Family."

Mr. Pozsgay stated CED wants to celebrate Bensenville's successes.

Mr. Pozsgay stated Comcast has a large reach, enabling the Village to maximize marketing dollars being spent.

Mr. Pozsgay stated Ads will run on major news and sports channels.

Mr. Pozsgay stated new this year, ads will be targeting north side Chicago home buyers.

Mr. Pozsgay stated the current programming is for two \$10,000 ad buys. This resolution leaves room for an additional \$5,000 targeted ad buy.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Franz seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-114-2024:

7. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-114-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Change Order No. 1 (FINAL) for the Rental of an Emergency Backup Generator for the Wastewater Treatment Plant for an Increase of \$34,275 for a Revised Amount of \$106,275.**

Director of Public Works, Joe Caracci stated on August 18, 2022, one of our two backup generators at the Wastewater Treatment Facility failed. Mr. Caracci stated due to its age, this generator was considered unrepairable. On October 11, 2022, the Village Board approved Resolution R-112-2022 authorizing funds in the amount of \$72,000 for the rental of a backup generator from Charles Equipment Energy Systems until new generators could be ordered and installed. Mr. Caracci stated the original timeframe to get new generators online was expected to be twelve (12) months.

Mr. Caracci stated at the same meeting in October 2022, the Village Board approved the purchase and installation of two new generators from Cummins Equipment Energy Systems, with an expected online date of August 2023. Mr. Caracci stated due to material delays, Cummins informed the Village that the new delivery date for the generators has been pushed out at least five (5) months.

Mr. Caracci stated Staff sought other options and brought a new contract to the Village Board that cancelled the original order from Cummins and executed a new contract with Charles Equipment for the purchase and installation of the generators. Mr. Caracci stated as part of the new contract with Charles Equipment, they agreed to reduce the monthly cost of the rental generator and also guarantee no additional charges for rental if the installation took place after January 2024.

Mr. Caracci stated although staff brought the new contract to the Village Board, we unfortunately did not bring a Change Order forward for the increased cost of the generator rental.

Mr. Caracci stated now that the generators are installed and functional, we are attempting to close out the project.

Mr. Caracci stated in order to pay for the remaining months of generator rental, staff is seeking a change order in the amount of \$34,574 with Charles Equipment, bringing the total backup generator rental to \$106,574.

Motion: Trustee Panicola made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Franz seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**Resolution No.
R-115-2024:**

8. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-115-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with HVC Plumbing (dba Ex-Stink Plumbing & Sewer) for an Emergency Sewer Repair at 233 Marshall in a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$15,720.**

Mr. Caracci stated the resident at 233 Marshall experienced a sewer backup in early July. Mr. Caracci stated the resident followed backup protocol and televised the sewer service. Mr. Caracci stated it was determined that there was a collapse near the Village main. Mr. Caracci stated as the repair was necessary within the Village ROE, the Village began plans to perform the repair.

Mr. Caracci stated Staff solicited three proposals to perform the repair with Ex-Stink submitting the preferred proposal in the amount of \$8,550. Mr. Caracci stated Staff gave Ex-Stink administrative approval to begin the repair.

Mr. Caracci stated Ex-Stink performed the agreed upon repair but found that there were issues within the Village main that needed to be addressed. Mr. Caracci stated over the next two days, Ex-Stink performed additional repairs on the Village main and connections to two other homes that were in need of repair. Mr. Caracci stated the cost of the additional work was \$7,170 for a revised total cost of \$15,720.

Mr. Caracci stated as this total now exceeds Village staff spending authority, we are bringing the item to the Village Board for approval.

Motion: Trustee Perez made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-116-2024:

9. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-116-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with PremiStar Mechanical Services to Install Two 6-Inch Black Iron Tees and 6 Six-Inch Valves on the Evaporator at John Street Ice Rink in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$12,500**

Mr. Caracci stated the Village is responsible for maintaining the John Street Ice Rink and all equipment to run the facility, including the equipment that makes the ice for the ice rink.

Mr. Caracci stated the evaporator is a vital component in ice development. Mr. Caracci stated the purpose of the evaporator is to remove the heat from the brine solution and return it back to the chiller to distribute to the coils under the surface. Mr. Caracci stated the chemical used to remove the heat is ammonia. Mr. Caracci stated currently, we are seeing that there are traces of ammonia leaking into the brine within the evaporator. Mr. Caracci stated this is not advisable. Mr. Caracci stated in order to isolate the evaporator, we are proposing to install 2 - tees and 2 - valves. Mr. Caracci stated once installed we can better investigate the magnitude of the leaks and make the necessary accommodations from there.

Mr. Caracci stated the existing chiller/evaporator is 29 years old. Mr. Caracci stated to ensure the safety of the evaporator, facility staff determined it would be in the Village's best interest to install isolation valves and tees to monitor the pressure in the evaporator.

Mr. Caracci stated Staff sought proposals from three qualified vendors.

Motion:

Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Panicola seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-117-2024:

10. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-117-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with PremiStar Mechanical Services to Install Two 6-Inch Black Iron Tees and 6 Six-Inch Valves on the Evaporator at John Street Ice Rink in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$12,500.**

Director of Recreation, Sean Flynn stated during the Drain and Clean of the Water's Edge Aquatic Center it came to light the current commercial pool heater had failed and needs to be replaced. Mr. Flynn stated upon opening the heater, the interior was rusted out, scale had formed, and interior pipes had suffered major fractures. Mr. Flynn stated this piece of equipment was original to the building and well past its useful life. Mr. Flynn stated due to the timeframe of the shutdown, an emergency purchase was authorized by the Village Manager to allow us to order the part and prevent a lengthy shutdown. Mr. Flynn stated this resolution serves to ratify the emergency purchase.

Mr. Flynn stated a failure of the main pool heater will affect the use of the aquatic center and not allow us to reopen due to not maintaining adequate temperatures as per the Illinois Aquatic Health Code.

Mr. Flynn stated additionally, the stock inventory of the product being low with long lead times in shipping requires a swift purchase of the new heater from a trusted vendor.

Motion: Trustee Franz made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-118-2024:

11. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-118-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing a Facility Usage License Agreement Between the Village of Bensenville and 200 X 85, LLC.**

Mr. Flynn stated the Village has encouraged the 200 X 85, LLC to use the Edge Ice Arenas as one of the host sites for the 2021 World Hockey Invite youth hockey tournament. Mr. Flynn stated the World Hockey Invite is one of the largest youth hockey tournaments in the world. Mr. Flynn stated it will bring many of state teams to compete in our Village. Mr. Flynn stated this tournament will showcase the top 14 year old players from Canada, the United States, and Europe.

Mr. Flynn stated 39 teams in Bensenville equates to a hotel room demand of 780 rooms per night or a minimum projected total of 2,340 room nights between Thursday and Saturday.

Mr. Flynn stated the Resolution presented approves a Facility Usage License Agreement with 200 X 85, LLC. Mr. Flynn stated the agreement will cover any and all ice times reserved by 200 X 85 at the Edge over the November 1 to November 3, 2024 weekend.

Mr. Flynn stated 200 X 85 will pay the Village \$370 per hour plus 5% Village amusement tax for all ice time scheduled at the Edge..

Mr. Flynn stated tournaments such as the World Hockey Invite bring hundreds of thousands of dollars through direct and indirect spending to the local economy.

Motion:

Trustee Panicola made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-119-2024:

12. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-119-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Ice Arena and Facility Usage License Agreement Between the American Hearing Impaired Hockey Association (AHIHA) and the Village of Bensenville.**

Mr. Flynn stated AHIHA (American Hearing Impaired Hockey Association) is a non profit organization whose mission statement of "Goals Beyond Hockey" gives a sense of purpose to the one week Stan Mikita Hockey School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing hockey camp that is proposed in this agreement. Mr. Flynn stated players that attend the camp, often state that "this is the best week of my life." Families have the opportunity to share experiences and learn from each other concerning the challenges they encounter raising hard of hearing children. Mr. Flynn stated AHIHA offers information on medical advancements, and has access to hearing aids at little or no cost to the families. Mr. Flynn stated the vision of AHIHA is to instill confidence and self-esteem in deaf and hard of hearing athletes while building life skills through the game of hockey. Mr. Flynn stated the camp is free to all participants and funding is generated through a volunteer fundraising committee and private donations. Mr. Flynn stated the camp averages sixty players per year and offers three boys teams and one girls team.

Mr. Flynn stated AHIHA will provide bus transportation for the hockey players and their families between the ice arena and hotel. Mr. Flynn stated the event also provides three evening meals during the week and breakfast every morning. Mr. Flynn stated there is a closing reception following the awards ceremony on the final day of the camp.

Mr. Flynn stated event organizers are very impressed with the facilities, staff and location that the Village has to offer and have expressed a desire to remain in Bensenville through the year 2028 and possibly beyond. Mr. Flynn stated the current agreement has expired and staff seeks approval for a four-year term that includes a 3% rate escalator each year and an automatic renewal after the conclusion of the term.

Motion: Trustee Lomax made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Panicola seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Resolution No.

R-120-2024:

13. President DeSimone gave the summarization of the action contemplated in **Resolution No. R-120-2024** entitled a **Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Ice Arena and Facility Usage Agreement with the Fenwick High School Hockey Club.**

Mr. Flynn stated the Village has enjoyed a long relationship with the Fenwick High School hockey program. Mr. Flynn stated Fenwick would like to continue to rent ice time at the Edge with ice time that includes an early morning before school practice, two after school practice times and Sunday evening game slots for its JV, Boys Varsity and Girls Varsity hockey teams. Mr. Flynn stated Fenwick hockey has a strong tradition of providing quality high school hockey and academic leadership among its student athletes.

Mr. Flynn stated Fenwick is a key player at the Edge with 4.75 hours of Sunday evening rentals. Mr. Flynn stated Fenwick is also seeking prime time weekday ice for practices that is currently not available due to other long term agreements. Mr. Flynn stated however, there may be an opportunity in the future as one of the key agreements is set to expire at the end of the 2024-25 hockey season.

Motion:

Trustee Perez made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Trustee Frey seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

**PRESIDENT'S
REMARKS:**

President DeSimone announced the Village will be hosting a Back to School Movie in the Park on Augst 16th, weather pending; full details can be found on the Village's website.

President DeSimone announced the Fall Community Yard Sale is scheduled for September 5th – 8th; full details can be found on the Village's website.

President DeSimone Coffee with the Village President is scheduled to Start on August 24th; full details can be found on the Village's website.

MANAGERS

REPORT:

Village Manager, Evan Summers announced the Addison Street Parking Lot is closed for reconstruction and that attendees of Music in the Park should seek alternate parking.

Mr. Summers announced the Aquatic Center is closed for maintenance cleaning and is scheduled to reopen on August 26th.

Mr. Summers announced the Village has installed a Pest Management Plan; full details can be found on the Village's website. Mr. Summers stated this program is free to Residents.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY

REPORT:

Village Attorney, P. Joseph Montana, stated he had no Village Attorney Report.

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION:**

Village Attorney, P. Joseph Montana, stated there was not a need for Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Perez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Lomax seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Franz, Frey, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYS: None

All were in favor. Motion carried.

President DeSimone adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Nancy Quinn
Village Clerk

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 27th day, August 2024