

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF JANUARY 3, 2023**

Village Manager Timony called the meeting to order at 7:07PM.

IN ATTENDANCE: Trustees Takaoka, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Forster and Koch. President Byrne and Trustee Schenk gave prior notice that they would not be in attendance. A quorum was established.

Also present were: Village Manager Timony, Assistant Village Manager Petrillo, Director of Community Development Jennings, PW Director Brown, Chief Kreis, Finance Director Flori, Village Attorney Forte and Recording Secretary Heavrin.

Village Manager Timony called for a motion to appoint a Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Motion by Trustee Oppenheim, second by Trustee Marquardt, to appoint Trustee Koch as Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the meeting.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Takaoka, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Forster, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Schenk, Byrne

Motion carried.

**1. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES OF
DECEMBER 13, 2022**

Motion by Trustee Oppenheim second by Trustee Marquardt, to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of December 13, 2022.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 4 – Takaoka, Marquardt, Oppenheim, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSTAIN: 1 - Forster

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Schenk, Byrne

Motion carried.

**2. BELLE TIRE 1810 MILWAUKEE AVENUE, SPECIAL USE, SIGN VARIATIONS,
SITE PLAN & APPEARANCE APPROVAL**

DCD Jennings summarized Belle Tire's request for a Special Use approval to construct and operate a retail tire store with associated installation services and light auto repair on the lot adjacent to Aldi (1810 Milwaukee). Research of pond upkeep found that Menards is ultimately responsible for the pond maintenance. The representatives providing updates were Brandon Ferro and Dave Brink. The petitioner has also requested consideration of the Committee of the Whole to approve a sign, which was not part of the original petition that would deviate from the Commission's recommendation. Discussion of the flag height and size took place, where some

Trustees expressed concern for the neighborhoods regarding the illumination and height that might adversely affect neighborhoods. Therefore, changing the flag height and size to forty feet in height and 12'x 18' as the size agreed upon.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Forster to direct staff to prepare ordinances approving Belle Tire's Special Use request with agreed upon flag measurements, sign variations, site plan, pond maintenance responsibility (Menards), and subject to any conditions of approval.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Oppenheim, Marquardt, Forster, Takaoka, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Schenk, Byrne

Motion carried.

3. CHICK-FIL-A, 701 MILWAUKEE AVE UNIT 360, SETBACK VARIATION, SITE PLAN & APPEARANCE APPROVAL FOR DRIVE-THRU RECONFIGURATION

DCD Jennings introduced the petitioner's request for setback variations and modifications to the existing site plan, related to the reconfiguration of the drive-thru area at Chick-fil-A. The purpose of the request is to improve efficiency and provide faster customer service. Allan Wiley of GBC Design spoke on behalf of the petitioner. Allan Wiley showed and explained the canopy placements along with the size and purpose of the new sliding door.

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Forster to direct staff to prepare an ordinance approving a setback variation, site plan and appearance, modifications to the existing site plan related to the reconfiguration of the Chick-fil-A drive-thru area that includes dedicating three extra parking spaces for large orders and waiting for pick up, and subject to any conditions of approval.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 5 – Marquardt, Oppenheim, Forster, Takaoka, Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 2 – Schenk, Byrne

Motion carried.

4. ADJOURNMENT

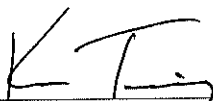
Motion by Trustee Oppenheim, second by Trustee Marquardt, to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting with no closed session or further action to follow.

All in favor vote.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06PM.

Approved this 17th day of January, 2023



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



Roger L. Byrne, Village President