

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS  
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
APRIL 4, 2023**

President Byrne called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Trustees Forster, Takaoka, Marquardt, Schenk, Oppenheim, Koch and President Byrne via telephone. A quorum was established.

Also present were: Village Manager Timony, Assistant Village Manager Petrillo, Director of Community Development Jennings, Chief Kreis, Finance Director Lyons, Public Works Director Venatta, Village Attorney Ferolo, and Recording Secretary Koehl.

President Byrne 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 Forster to appoint Trustee Koch as Chairman Pro Tem for the duration of the meeting.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Oppenheim, Schenk, Forster, Marquardt, Takaoka, Koch, President Byrne

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion carried.

**1. APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2023**

Motion by Trustee Marquardt, second by Trustee Oppenheim to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of March 21, 2023.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 7 – Schenk, Marquardt, Takaoka, Oppenheim, Forster, President Byrne, Chairman Pro Tem Koch

NAYS: 0 – None

ABSENT, AND NOT VOTING: 0 – None

Motion carried.

**2. LAUTERBACH AND AMEN CONTRACT**

Village Manager Timony gave a summary of the proposed Lauterbach and Amen contract. There was discussion on a proposed new and amended services contract with Lauterbach & Amen, LLP to begin May 1, 2023.

There was a consensus by the Board to move ahead with the proposed contract and directed staff to prepare an ordinance for the April 18, 2023 Village Board meeting.

**3. SOCIAL SERVICE GRANTS**

The Village began accepting grant applications for the 2023 program in January, and the application period closed on March 1st. In total, the Village received 15 grant applications totaling \$67,000 in funding requests. Trustees Koch and Forster met with Village Manager Timony to review the 2023 applications and enclosed for consideration is a listing of the recommended 2023 recipients and award amounts. In total, \$48,500 in grants to 13 different organizations are being recommended for the 2023 program.

Trustee Takaoka asked that the awarded grant for Sue's Pantry be increased to a total of \$5000. There was discussion by the Board and there was consensus to increase the awarded grant amount to \$5000. Staff was directed to amend the Budget and bring the amended changes by ordinance to the Board for approval at the April 18, 2023 Village Board meeting.

Chairman Pro Tem Koch called for a motion to direct staff to prepare an ordinance authorizing the approval of the 2023 Social Service Grants for final consideration and approval at the upcoming April 18, 2023 Village Board Meeting.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

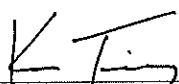
Motion by Trustee Schenk, second by Trustee Marquardt to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting and go into a closed session to discuss Personnel-[Sec. 2(c)(1)]; Litigation-[Sec. 2(c)(11)].

All in favor vote.

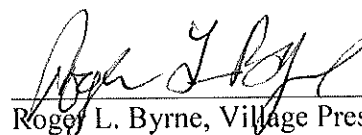
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31p.m.

Approved this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023



Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



Roger L. Byrne, Village President