

JOINT MEETING OF THE LITTLE CHUTE AND KIMBERLY VILLAGE BOARDS MINUTES

OCTOBER 21, 2019

Call to Order: President Kuen called the Joint Board Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

President Kuen led members in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Trustees

PRESENT: Little Chute Board Members – President Vanden Berg, Trustees Elrick, Hietpas, Peerenboom, Peterson, Smith, Van Lankveldt and Van Lankvelt.
Kimberly Board Members – President Kuen, Trustees Gaffney, Hammen, Hietpas, Hruzek, Trentlage and Weber.

Roll Call of Officers and Department Heads

Little Chute: Administrator Fenlon, Finance Director Remiker-DeWall
Kimberly: Administrator Block
Police Dept.: Chief Meister, Captain Slotke, Administrative Manager Vanden Heuvel
Library: Director Thiry

Others in Attendance

Four students, two residents and a member of the media.

Approve Minutes of Joint Meeting of the Little Chute and Kimberly Boards of October 29, 2018

Moved by Trustee Hammen, seconded by Weber to approve the minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Little Chute and Kimberly Boards of October 29, 2018.

Ayes 14, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Discussion/Action – Library 2020 Budget Proposal

Trustee Trentlage inquired about the hiring of additional library aides in the proposed budget and Director Thiry clarified that he was indicating that if there was going to be an extension of service hours, then additional staff would need to be hired. Trustee Hruzek confirmed with Directory Thiry that it is proposed that \$30,000 of the Library Trust Fund be spent on remodeling the library in Little Chute. He questioned whether those funds should remain in the Trust Fund and be utilized when the libraries de-merge. President Kuen stated the initial thought is to use the Trust Funds for start-up costs at both libraries. Trustee Hammen questioned the proposed 4% increase in salaries when other Village personnel are only slated for 2%. Director Thiry advised this includes both the step salary increase and cost-of-living increase. Administrator Block informed the Boards that performance step increases are 2 ½ % and the cost-of-living is 2%. Director Thiry indicated he is budgeting conservatively for salaries.

Moved by Trustee Smith, seconded by Hammen to approve to approve the Library 2020 Budget Proposal in the amount of \$812,735 as presented.

Ayes 14, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Discussion/Action – Fox Valley Metro Police Department 2020 Budget Proposal

Chief Meister stated that after preparing his initial budget proposal, he and his staff have found an additional \$250,000 in reductions resulting in a 7.76% increase in the police department budget from last year. Chief Meister feels strongly that the two part-time Community Service Officer (CSO) positions be funded but with a reduction in the number of total hours they work. Administrator Fenlon noted that the Villages are still struggling with adequately funding the department after the departure of Combined Locks. The department has significant IT costs, needs a new squad car and a backup power generator. Trustee Peerenboom questioned the Chief on the merits of the CSO assisting patrol. Chief Meister explained that the CSOs could free up patrol staff for approximately 33 hours a week and provide clerical support for about 7 hours a week.

Moved by Trustee Hammen, seconded by Trentlage to approve to approve the Fox Valley Metro Police Department 2020 Budget Proposal in the amount of \$3,477,028 as presented.

Ayes 14, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Hammen, seconded by Peterson to Adjourn the Joint Meeting at 6:14 pm.

Ayes 14, Nays 0 – Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danielle L. Block". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Danielle" and last name "Block" clearly distinguishable.

Danielle L. Block
Administrator/Clerk