

Present: President George; President Pro-Tem Hrydziuszko; Members: Abboud, Kecskemeti, Mooney, O’Gorman, and Peddie

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager, Wilson
Village Clerk / Assistant Manager, Rutkowski
Village Attorney, Ryan
Public Safety Director, Torongeau via Zoom
Fire Marshal, Ginther

President George called the regular Village Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Council Chambers located at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA/APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Mooney, second by Peddie, to approve the agenda as published.

Motion passed.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mooney, second by Abboud, be it resolved, the consent agenda is approved as published.

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held September 7, 2021.
2. Review and file bills recapped as of Monday, September 13, 2021
3. Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as National Recovery Month.
4. Proclamation recognizing September 2021 as National Suicide Prevention Month.
5. Review and consider Village Woman’s Club of Beverly Hills’ request to waive pavilion rental fees on October 4, 2021.
6. Review and consider request from the OC CISMA to host invasive/native species identification walk at Beverly Park on October 12, 2021.
7. Review and consider Parks & Recreation Board’s recommendation to host Jazz event on October 3, 2021.
8. Review and consider Parks & Recreation’s recommendation to reschedule Movie in the Park for October 9, 2021.
9. Review and consider Parks & Recreation’s recommendation to waive sales restrictions at Village sponsored events in 2022.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (7-0)

BUSINESS AGENDA

REVIEW AND CONSIDER REQUEST FROM CUB SCOUT PACK 1024 TO HOLD CAMP OUT EVENT AT BEVERLY PARK

Mooney gave an overview of the request received from Cub Scout Pack 1024 to hold an overnight Camp Out event at Beverly Park on Saturday, September 25 – Sunday, September 26, 2021. The Parks & Recreation Board and Village Council have approved similar requests in the past.

The Pack requests approval to hold an overnight campout at Beverly Park. Scouts and parents would camp in tents at a proposed location to the West of the sledding hill out of the way of most other park activities. Tents would be setup in the evening with lights out at 10:00 p.m., consistent with Park regulations. Tents would be taken down in the morning with final clean-up by 9:00 a.m. Other activities would be hikes around the park, games in the open grassy areas like frisbee and tag. Parents and leaders will be present and onsite for the entire event and the event will be conducted to the rigorous standards of Scouting.

At the September 15, 2021 Parks & Recreation Board meeting, the Board unanimously voted to recommend Council approve Pack 1024's Camp Out request.

Motion by Mooney, second by Hrydziuszko, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council permits Cub Scout Pack 1024 to hold an overnight Camp Out Event at Beverly Park beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 25 and ending at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 26, 2021 provided that they submit a Certificate of Liability Insurance naming the Village of Beverly Hills as an additional insured to the Village Clerk's Office prior to the event.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (7-0)

PUBLIC HEARING ON VILLAGE PATHWAYS PLAN

George gave an overview of the Village pathways plan and the idea to connect schools and public places throughout the Village.

Brad Shepler was in attendance on behalf of the Village's Engineering firm, Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc. Shepler gave an informational presentation on the proposed pathways plan. The presentation covered gauging community interest and support, goals, funding, the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Safe Routes to School (SRTS), and a timeline. He also discussed the design requirements for each grant.

Paul Kleppert, 20855 W. 14 Mile, stated he was a member of the original pathways committee several years ago. He said the sidewalk in front of his house connects to nothing. He suggested looking to Bloomfield Township as an example for pathways funding. He asked if another sidewalk on 14 Mile Road is necessary. He suggested a 'design and build' model for bidding/funding the project. He thinks it will be important to have someone on Village staff oversee the project instead of an independent contractor.

Bill Eisenman, 32639 Valley Ridge Drive, supports the expansion of pathways in the Village. He thought it would bring progress and more opportunities for exercise. He commented on the lack of enforcement regarding residents' responsibility to maintain sidewalks. He asked about the maintenance plan for the proposed pathways.

Brian Nicosia, 32467 Evergreen, asked how the sidewalks would impact private property and if the Village would be acquiring any property for this project. He stated he was supportive of the plan overall.

Diane Ladue, 32325 Evergreen, commented on the natural beauty area of Evergreen and stated that there are very mature trees that are difficult to replace. She requested pathways that were less than 10' wide.

Dave Shelton, 20835 W. 13 Mile, stated the set back on his property is less than the neighbors' set backs. He was concerned about traffic, maintenance, and plowing. He thought 10' was too large and would prefer 4'. He does not want more noise, dust, or foot traffic in the area. He thanked the Council for requesting feedback.

Clive Catchpole, 31050 Stafford, stated his side yard is along 13 Mile Road and does not want to be responsible for clearing snow or other pathway maintenance. He commented on burying ditches and stated that he does not want to lose any of his property.

Lee Shea, 20317 Lincoln Hills Court, was concerned about the 10' width proposal. She asked if ditches would be buried or if the Village would be acquiring private property. She thought the proposed path would be too close to the driveway and yard.

Cathy Kuhlman, 21543 Meadow Lane, asked that Lahser Road be added onto the plan. She said it is cut off from schools and would like people to be able to walk to schools.

Dick Maxwell, 18701 Walmer Lane, thought the plan was too costly, overly enthusiastic, and that it excluded parts of the village. He asked about traffic lights and rights-of-way. He commented on ongoing costs for snow removal and maintenance.

Ann Baker, 19559 Waltham, commented on whether the new pathways are a need or a want. She is an avid walker and would like to see pathways around the village, however, she would also like to see a maintenance plan for existing routes before adding more. She asked that the Village maintain and upgrade existing infrastructure first.

Sean Millichamp, 18360 E. Chelton, completely supported additional sidewalks. He commented on maintaining existing sidewalks. He was in favor of 10' paths but noted that the proposed path would not go in front of his property. He would be in favor of a millage increase to fund additional pathways, but would prefer if the Village could obtain grant funding. He thanked the Village for their work on this project so far.

Bill Harvey, 31086 Old Stage Road, supported the plan so far. He said it angers him to see children walking to school in the snow, through ditches, and in the dark.

Arun and Lauren Sherma, 21605 W. 13 Mile Road, stated that there would only be a 13' area to work with and a 4' or 6' wide pathway seems like it would be less expensive. They expressed concerns about vegetation, safety, and additional costs. They enjoy the trees and nature in Beverly Hills.

Jennifer Bailey, 32483 Sheridan Drive, likes the idea of having more accessibility around the village.

Chris Makris, 32811 Old Post Road, supports the plan. He thought additional pathways would be beneficial for children in the community.

Molly Borgon, 30665 Pebblestone Court, supports the plan and routes to schools.

Toni Grinnan, 2 Riverbank, supports the plan. She commended Council for their approach and appreciated that there will be one-on-one conversations with individual homeowners along the proposed route.

Bryan Gray, 20022 Carriage Lane, supported the proposal. He appreciated people's enthusiasm about the plan and stated that home values will increase with more pathways.

George thanked everyone for their feedback.

George called a recess at 8:50 p.m.

George called the meeting back to order at 8:59 p.m.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER PARKS & RECREATION BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION TO HOLD JAVA AND JAZZ SERIES IN 2022

The Parks & Recreation Board has hosted a Coffee and Jazz event on a few Sundays in August and September this summer featuring the Ryan Bills Trio. The event has been successful and has received incredible feedback from attendees.

At their meeting on September 15, 2021, the Board unanimously voted to recommend Council approve their request to create a Java and Jazz series on the 3rd Sunday of the month from May-October 2022 at the Beverly Park pavilion from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Expenses for the jazz series to pay for the performances, coffee, and baked goods would not exceed \$1,000.00 per event, or \$6,000.00 total. Funds are available in account 101-747-894.00.

The proposed dates are May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18, and October 16, 2022.

Motion by O'Gorman, second by Hrydziuszko, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council hereby approves the Parks & Recreation Board's request to host a Java and Jazz series featuring the Ryan Bills Trio at the Beverly Park pavilion on the third Sunday of the month from May to October 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. not to exceed \$6,000.00 altogether. Funds for this event series are available in account # 101-747-894.00.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (7-0)

REVIEW AND CONSIDER PARKS & RECREATION BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION FOR HALLOWEEN HOOT

At the September 7, 2021 Council meeting, the Village Council reviewed a request from the Parks & Recreation Board to host the 2021 Halloween Hoot at Beverly Park on Saturday, October 23,

2021. The Council tasked the Board with coming up with a more detailed plan to address COVID-19 safety concerns. The Board's plan for a modified Halloween Hoot is attached.

Funding for the Halloween Hoot is budgeted in account #101-747-896.00 and expenses are offset by donations received by local businesses.

Molly Borgon, Parks & Recreation Board Chairperson, Pebblestone, was in attendance via Zoom and provided an overview of the Board's modified plan. The 2021 Halloween Hoot will follow Oakland County Health and Safety Guidelines for COVID19. The plans below comply with (and go above and beyond) these guidelines as of September 16th, 2021. If the recommendations change we will modify the event to make sure it complies with the latest safety protocols. Modifications to the event are listed below:

- The Board will create a separate entrance and exit, reversing the flow through the trail so people could exit through the parking lot.
- Signage and spacing marks on the sidewalk will be posted to remind people of social distancing.
- There will be no gathering in the pavilion (including no pumpkin carving, no cider and donuts, and no storyteller).
- We will keep advertising of the event to a minimum.
- Entry will be regulated so we are not letting too many people through at once.

Other Hoot details:

- Sponsorship letters have been mailed to the community.
- Booths will be set up along the trail, appropriately spaced.
- The Village will provide 8 bags of candy (the same as in 2019) per booth, booths are encouraged to bring more candy to supplement.
- The event will run from 6:00-8:00pm, we are asking booths to be ready by 5:00pm as we may open the gates at 5:30pm if necessary.

O'Gorman requested that people who pass out candy must wear face coverings.

Abboud requested Public Safety be on site for the event.

Kecskemeti asked about potentially extending the event hours. Borgon stated that the Parks & Recreation Board did discuss this option but considered the long hours for volunteers on the day of the event and that many families have children in different age groups, so it may not be feasible for some to attend during different time slots.

Motion by Hrydziuszko, second by Peddie, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council approves the Parks & Recreation Board's plan for a modified Halloween Hoot to be held on Saturday, October 23, 2021 at Beverly Park as submitted with the condition that people passing out candy are required to wear masks, and the Council will continue to revisit the item at upcoming meetings as COVID-19 safety protocols may change before the event.

Roll call vote:

Abboud – Yes
George – Yes
Hrydziuszko – Yes
Kecskemeti – Yes
Mooney – No
O’Gorman – Yes
Peddie – Yes
Motion passed (6-1)

REVIEW AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FEMA ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

Lieutenant Ginther gave an overview of the FEMA grant to assist firefighters. Beverly Hills Public Safety, as the lead agency, along with four other partner public safety agencies (Berkley, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington, and Huntington Woods) applied for a regional grant under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) program. This grant application was to replace our outdated, non-compatible, and antiquated Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) that are at the end of their life expectancy this calendar year. SCBA’s are used by our personnel during fire suppression activities and other emergency responses where the environment is Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health (IDLH). On September 3, 2021, we were notified that our grant application had been awarded in the amount of \$608,163.00.

The Village has thirty (30) days from the “notification of award” to accept the grant. Once accepted, the five partnering public safety agencies would move forward as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and AFG requirements to select a SCBA manufacturer and vendor. Once selected, a project description, final budget, and purchase recommendation would be presented to the Village Council for approval.

Based upon the information provided, the Public Safety Department recommends the acceptance of FEMA AFG Grant #EMW-2020-FG-11012 by council at this time and moving forward with the purchase process of the SCBA’s as outlined in the MOU provided.

Ginther went over different pricing and match amounts. He stated that accepting the grant would result in significant savings for the Village.

The Council thanked Ginther for the effort that went into applying for this grant.

Motion by Peddie, second by Abboud, be it resolved, that the Beverly Hills Village Council hereby agrees to accept the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant, Application # EMW-2020-FG-11012; act as the fiduciary on behalf of the five regional consortium communities of the Cities of Berkley, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington, Huntington Woods and the Village of Beverly Hills, as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding; and authorizes the Public Safety Director to sign the grant documents on behalf of the Village of Beverly Hills.

Roll call vote:
Motion passed (7-0)

REVIEW AND CONSIDER PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT’S REQUEST TO PURCHASE TWO VEHICLES

Wilson provided an overview of the vehicle purchase request. The 2021/22 Budget contains funding for the purchase of patrol vehicles to replace vehicles with over 80,000 miles. A review of our Patrol Fleet has been completed and it has been determined we are reaching the end of the life cycle with two vehicles. Patrol vehicle 309, a 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe has 85,230 miles and patrol vehicle 310, a 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe has 95,460 miles. Department staff reports the Tahoe has been able to perform many functions and are pleased with the vehicle’s overall performance.

Berger Chevrolet of Grand Rapids, Michigan has been awarded the Oakland County Cooperative Bid for 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe police package SUV’s. The 2021 Tahoe 4WD PPV, equipped per department specifications, is priced at \$40,872.00 (see attached bid form).

Concurrent with this new vehicle purchase comes the transferring of specialized equipment from the old to the new vehicle. Costs in the amount of \$13,500 per vehicle for this operation have been planned for in the budget. Typically, the bulk of this expense is for the labor involved in the transfer; some incidental wiring and connections expense is likely, but no significant materials purchases are anticipated. We have used Canfield Equipment Services, Inc. located in Warren. They have provided quality service and are the preferred vendor for the Michigan State Police, Detroit Police, and many other public safety organizations.

It is standard procedure for the department to offer decommissioned fleet vehicles for public bid/sale. In the recent past, patrol and administrative vehicles retired from the fleet have been sold successfully by staff personnel via Ebay.com. The resale prices obtained have exceeded prior trade-in allowances on other make/model vehicles and represent the best revenue value to the Village. Resulting revenues are then deposited to the vehicle fleet account for future vehicle purchases.

There are funds available in the current capital expenditure budget to acquire and equip these new patrol vehicles. Account #401-905-979 (\$82,000.00) has been earmarked for capital vehicle purchases. Account #205-900-980.02 (\$120,000.00) has been earmarked for capital vehicle equipment purchases.

Motion by Mooney, second by Hrydziuszko, the Village of Beverly Hills Council awards the purchase of two (2) 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe 4WD PPV patrol vehicles in the amount of \$81,744.00 to Berger Chevrolet 2525 28th Street S.E. Grand Rapids, Michigan 49512. Funds for this purchase are available in Account #401-905-979.00 Capital Vehicle Purchases. Village Council further approves the expenditure of up to \$27,000 for vehicle changeover expenses, with the preferred vendor; funds are available in Account #205-900-980.02.

Roll call vote:
Motion passed (7-0)

REVIEW AND CONSIDER JOINT SENIOR SERVICES AGREEMENT

Wilson and Ryan provided an overview of the Joint Senior Services agreement. The City of Birmingham, Village of Beverly Hills, Village of Bingham Farms and Village of Franklin have been serviced for approximately 40 years by NEXT, which is a 501(C) non-profit organization. NEXT provides a multitude of support services for seniors by raising money through grants, donations, fundraising and monetary participation from the four communities.

The financial contribution from the Village of Beverly Hills and the other three communities is for contractual senior services to provide community services which the Village of Beverly Hills could not otherwise provide.

The four communities have been discussing for about nine months with the initial impetus being that the communities attempt to actually take on the providing of senior services through the four local governments.

However, it was determined that the best way to proceed would be to have the four local units enter into an Interlocal Agreement, which would provide NEXT the ability to rely on stabilization and predictability for its finances in order to continue to serve the seniors in all four communities. This Interlocal Agreement provides for NEXT the ongoing financial participation of the four units in the same manner as they have in the past. Basically, the Agreement solidifies the financial commitment made by the Village of Beverly Hills to NEXT for services rendered, with the added stability of annual contributions of at least the same amount to NEXT but allowing for the amount to decrease or increase depending on the financial circumstances of the Village. This Interlocal Agreement basically solidifies the financial support of the Village for NEXT in a way that had not been really formalized in the past.

Ryan deemed the agreement appropriate and recommended a resolution to allow the Village Manager to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Village of Beverly Hills.

Motion by Abboud, second by Mooney, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council approves the Joint Senior Services Agreement as presented and authorizes the Village Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village of Beverly Hills.

Roll call vote:

Motion passed (7-0)

ACCEPT MICHELE TILLMAN’S RESIGNATION FROM THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AND FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT OF A VACANCY ON THE ZBA

Michele Tillman recently submitted her resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals effective after the September 13, 2021 ZBA meeting. This creates a full-member vacancy on the Board for a partial term ending June 30, 2023.

The ZBA meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. as necessary. The ZBA hears appeals of applicants who request exceptions from or official interpretations of the Zoning Ordinance. Members must decide whether or not a physical hardship or practical difficulty exists which justifies the granting of a variance.

All interested and eligible residents of Beverly Hills are encouraged to apply to become a member of the ZBA. Applications are available on the Village website or by emailing the Village Clerk at

krutkowski@villagebeverlyhills.com. Applications may be submitted to the Clerk’s office via email, regular mail, in person, or using the drop box located outside the Village office (18500 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025).

Applications are due Friday, October 8, 2021.

This constitutes the first announcement of a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

O’Gorman stated that Tillman’s contribution to the Board was outstanding. He applauded her ability to take command of the meetings as chairperson.

Mooney stated Tillman brought dignity and insight to the ZBA. He said she is an outstanding member of the community and appreciates her ability to balance strict adherence to the law and empathy.

George thanked Tillman for serving the community and said she was outstanding in her role.

Motion by Mooney, second by Abboud, the Beverly Hills Village Council accepts Michele Tillman’s resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals and makes the first announcement of a vacancy on the ZBA for a partial term ending June 30, 2023.

Motion passed.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION SETTING VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR 2022

The Village Council must annually adopt a meeting schedule and post it for the public. This schedule is also used in the Village calendar. The Village Council generally meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. A proposed schedule for 2022 is listed below:

2022 Regular Village Council Meeting Schedule

All meetings begin at 7:30 PM in the Village Council Chamber
18500 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025

January 4	July 5
January 18	July 19
February 1	August 3*
February 15	August 16
March 1	September 6
March 15	September 20
April 5	October 4
April 19	October 18
May 3	November 1
May 17	November 15

June 7
June 21

December 6
December 20

*Wednesday night meeting due to August 2, 2022 Election Day

2022 Joint Meeting Schedule

Thursday, January 20, 7:30 p.m. – Joint Council and Parks & Recreation Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 9, 7:30 p.m. – Joint Council and Planning Commission Meeting

Wilson noted that the August 3, 2022 meeting would be held on the first Wednesday instead of Tuesday due to the primary election.

Motion by Abboud, second by Hrydziusko, be it resolved, the Beverly Hills Village Council hereby adopts the meeting schedule for calendar year 2022 listed above.

Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Goddard School Site Plan – Representatives from the Goddard School appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals to be heard on two variance requests related to their site plan for the property at 31655 Southfield Rd. The variances involved the size of the proposed playground and the proximity of this facility to another licensed care facility. Both variances were approved. The site plan had previously received a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission conditioned upon the granting of these variances. At this point the site plan submittal is ready for review and consideration by the Village Council, pending the drafting of a Development Agreement between the applicant and the Village. Village Administration and the Village Attorney are working on a Development Agreement. I anticipate that this agreement will be finalized soon and ready for review and consideration by the Council as early as the regular meeting of October 5th.

FY 2020-21 Audit – The field work for the FY 2020-21 audit has been completed. Wilson anticipates that there will be a presentation of the full audit report at the regular Council meeting of October 19th.

Beverly Park Bike Trail Inspection – As requested by the Village Council, a representative from MMRMA will be on site in Beverly Park on Sept. 24th to inspect the bike trail. I will report back on any recommendations.

DTE Summit – Oakland County Executive Dave Coulter will be hosting a summit with County municipal leaders and representatives from DTE to provide local governments with an overview of recent storm events and plans on how DTW will improve the local energy infrastructure. The event will be held virtually via Zoom on Monday, September 20th at 9:00 AM. Wilson attended the summit and reported back to Council. He recommended the Village reach out to DTE prior to

any new road projects to see if it is feasible and cost effective to bury lines while the road project is underway. Overall, DTE has heard the complaints and they are working to update their outreach efforts.

Wilson stated the Village received about 280 comments prior to the meeting and thanked residents for their feedback on the pathway proposal.

Abboud asked if there was any additional cost for MMRMA to be on site to do an inspection. Wilson stated that there is not an additional cost and it is included in the Village's membership.

Mooney requested an update on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. He asked when funds would be available and when the Council should begin discussions on how to allocate funding. Wilson stated the funds will be distributed in two installments: one in this calendar year and one next year. He stated the Council has until 2024 to formalize a plan on how to spend the money.

Mooney requested an update on Congressman Levin's grant earmark request for a 14 Mile Road re-pavement project. Wilson stated the request made it through the first round of markups, but has not heard back about the second round. Mooney requested an update be provided on this item at the next meeting.

Mooney asked if Administration has met with any business owners on Southfield Road regarding beautification. Wilson stated Public Services Director Lawrence has begun preliminary work evaluating the landscaping along Southfield Road. Mooney asked that Council receive an update about the Southfield Road beautification efforts at the next meeting.

Mooney requested that his requests about ARPA, the 14 Mile Road project proposal, and the Southfield Road beautification be included in the meeting minutes.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

O'Gorman noted that there was a different candor with tonight's comments compared to other controversial discussion items and he thanked the residents for their feedback. He stated that the Zoning Board of Appeals granted two variances for the proposed project at 31655 Southfield Road and that some of the language in the Village's Ordinances was inconsistent with the State's regulations.

Kecskemeti said she appreciates the residents who shared ideas regarding the pathways plan.

Abboud thanked Michele Tillman for her service to the community and said she is an inspiration. He talked about MML's Transportation and Infrastructure Committee meeting where they discussed broadband. He reported that he is 16 credits away from obtaining Level Two of the Elected Officials Academy. He is hosting and moderating a breakout session at the MML Convention this week in Grand Rapids. He reported that despite the pandemic, Next was able to take advantage of grant funding and finished the year with a net profit. He attended Next's golf outing fundraiser with Mooney. Next is hosting a flu shot clinic on September 28th. He thanked residents for being part of the robust pathways discussion.

Mooney stated that he is the worst golfer in the world. He suggested that any discussion about the relationship between the Village Council and Zoning Board of Appeals should be had with the

Village Manager and Village Attorney because of the ZBA's independence. He provided some history on the efforts to create more sidewalks in the village. He was overwhelmed with happiness over the reaction the Village has received to the pathways plan. He was encouraged by the feedback and will work to make this a more walkable community. He talked about filling in some of the sidewalk gaps on the east side and hopes to do so more immediately than the proposed grant timeline. He is behind the pathways plan and thinks this Council can accomplish the task.

Hrydziuszko thanked residents for their feedback and said it was nice to see an outpouring of support for the pathways plan. She would like children to be able to walk to school safely and for all residents to safely navigate around the village. She thanked the Public Safety Department for their efforts controlling traffic on Evergreen Road during construction.

George thanked Public Safety for their hard work on the grant application. He thanked Shepler and his team for the work on the pathways proposal so far. He said there will be big shoes to fill with Tillman's resignation and that she was outstanding on the ZBA. He thanked Rutkowski for compiling all of the pathways comments for Council. He appreciated all the feedback they received. He said the grant requirements are specific, but at the end of the day, if that is not what is going to best for the community, then that is a discussion Council will have. He said he will not get tired of talking about sidewalks.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mooney, second by Abboud, to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

Motion passed.

John George
Council President

Kristin Rutkowski
Village Clerk