

**Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 5, 2023**

Nicole Chen, Chairperson
Scott Lewis, Trustee
John Mastandona, Director of Finance
Heidi Rudolph, Village President
Ellen Baer, Village Manager
Jeff Koza, Director of Engineering Services

Others Present:

Village Hall

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

Items of Discussion:

- **Public Comment:** None
- **Minutes:** The minutes of the August 10, 2023, Finance Committee meeting were approved as presented.
- **Stormwater Utility Modification:** Director Koza stated that the Village has been working with the Western Springs Park District reviewing their stormwater utility fee. During this process it was brought to staff's attention that the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) exempts public path systems that exist in open space. The MWRD WMO governs detention requirements, within Cook County, and it has already been adopted into the Village's Municipal Code. He stated that staff is requesting a modification to the stormwater utility fee ordinance for public path systems to be consistent with the MWRD WMO. The Committee discussed if this would affect any other properties other than the Park District. Director Koza stated that he did not believe so, but if a path system met the definition in the WMRD WMO, then they would be. The Committee recommended the modification to the stormwater utility fee ordinance be placed on September 11th Board Meeting agenda.
- **Library .02% Building Maintenance Levy:** Director Mastandona presented the Thomas Ford Memorial Library's .02% Building Maintenance Levy. He stated that the Library does not have authority to levy themselves and this Building Maintenance Levy has to be approved by the Board separate from their regular levy. He went on to explain that if the item is approved, a notice will be published in the newspaper of the additional levy request. Director Mastandona stated that they are capped at this limit by State statute and they have historically always levied for this item. The Committee recommended the Library's Building Maintenance Levy request be placed on September 11th Board Meeting agenda.
- **Other Business:** Director Mastandona updated the Committee that the Joint Review Board meetings were held on August 28, 2023. He stated that the meetings went through financials of each TIF District and future improvements in each.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

John Mastandona

Assistant Director of Finance

APPROVED: October 2, 2023