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Intergovernmental Cooperation Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 9, 2024
1:20 p.m. or directly after the Executive Council of the MMSD

Village of Hales Corners
Hales Corners Village Hall
Meadows Room
5635 S. New Berlin Road
Hales Corners, Wisconsin 53130

Members Present:

Bryan Kennedy, City of Glendale
Dan Besson, Village of Hales Corners
John Nelson, City of Franklin
Tammy LaBourde, Village of River Hills
Dennis McBride, City of Wauwatosa
Mike Neitzke, City of Greenfield
Dan Bukiewicz, City of Oak Creek
Tyler Burkart, Village of Brown Deer
Jason Cyborowski, Village of Greendale
Soctt Botcher, Village of Fox Point
Dan Devine, City of West Allis
Eido Walny, Village of Bayside
John Stalewski, Village of West Milwaukee
Ken Tutaj, City of St. Francis
Patrick Brever, South Milwaukee

Excused

Tom Pavlic, City of Cudahy
Christopher Noyes, Village of River Hills
Kevin Buckley, Village of Whitefish Bay
Ann McCullough McKaig, Village of Shorewood
Christine Symchych, Village of Fox Point
Wanda Montgomery, Village of Brown Deer

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Guests Present:

David Cullen, Milwaukee County
Sam Liebert, All Voting is Local
Jamie, All Voting is Local
Diane Tsounis, Milwaukee County CDBG
Jordan Primakow, City of Milwaukee
Millie Coby, Employ Milwaukee
Ruth Hackney, WUCA
Chris McGowen, Milwaukee County OEM
Sandra Kulik, Village of Hales Corners
Ryan Rosenow, MCLEEA – Greendale PD
Emily Streff, Milwaukee County
Mary Bennett, Village of Hales Corners
Joel Nilsestuen, WisDOT
Kathey Bilelc, WisDOT
Luke Rosynek, Milwaukee County DHHS
Jennine Sonntag, Hales Corners Municipal Judge
Al Strekow, Hales Corners Historical Society
Randy Sannis, Hales Corners Historical Society
Jeremy Lucas, County Executive David Crowley
Thomas Konieczka, Greenfield Fire
Matt Johnson, Milwaukee County
Renee Valk, Catalis

I. Mayor Bukiewicz called the meeting to order at 1:19 pm.

II. Welcome to the Village of Hales Corners

President Besson welcomed members to the Village and thanked That's Amore Restaurant for lunch.

Randy Sannis from the Village of Hales Corners Historical Society provided historical information on the Village.

He spoke about how Hales Corners had its own tollway long ago. It ran between Milwaukee and Janesville and was constructed of twelve-foot oak planks The toll

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road ran over an old Indian trail and cost a few cents per horse. Annual ticket for \$35. William Hale was named the first the Postmaster. The first post office was located at a saloon. In 1922 mail came by rapid transit. Incorporation was first recorded 1927 meeting. Rick gave a brief history on the incorporation, the costs at the time, and the layout of the streets. Hales Corners low taxes attracted people to live there. Next year the Fire Department will celebrate 100 years.

III. **Approval of the August 13, 2024 meeting minutes**

President Besson moved to approve the meeting minutes of the July 8, 2024 meeting, Mayor McBride second, all voted aye.

IV. **November Partisan Preference and Referendum Election Preparation Information**

Oak Creek City Clerk Catherine Roeske offered information regarding the preparation for the upcoming November election. Ballots will arrive no later than September 18, with ballots for those voters with requests on file going out by September 19. Early in-person begins on October 22, 2024. Clerks have received many offerings of security and voter resources for the election because of threats to election officials here is a sample of what has been offered from multiple agencies:

- DOJ Infusion Center – True Threat training
- WEC
 - The power of hello – de-escalation training
 - Securing election network and infrastructure against common attacks
 - Managing risks on frontline
- CISA – Cybersecurity and Infrastructure
 - Physical security checklist for polling locations. I am collaborating with our police department and CISA to conduct assessments on all polling locations next week.
 - Physical and malicious foreign threats
 - Voter intimidation
 - Threats to election officials
 - Threat actors attempting to use generative AI to impact 2024 election cycle.

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Sam Liebert representing All Voting is Local was introduced and offered what his organization offers Clerks during election time for support. This group is a national, non-partisan organization. They offer resources for voters as well.

V. **Milwaukee County Economic Development, County Land Sales, City, Village and Town Appointees, Emily Streff**

Ms. Streff advised she is seeking the appointment or reappointment of residents that serve on the Milwaukee County Land Sale panel. This three person panel includes County Executive, the Comptroller, and the ICC appointee for each Municipality. Real estate experience is helpful, however the appointee cannot be an elected official. Emily will share the list of current appointees; appointees must be sent prior to the next ICC meeting.

VI. **Milwaukee County Park and Ride Discussion**

Joel Nilsestuen, WisDOT presented information on the current work being performed to address this issue at the Park n Rides. There are homeless and camping at the State Park n Rides where the public is pitching a tent, camper, etc. WisDOT is seeing this occur across the state, it is not unique to the Southeast. WisDOT has created relationships and partnerships to work on this issue. There have been a host of problems, including health and sanitation, unsafe environment, along with a number of rather serious incidents as well. What is DOT doing? They have been planning since February, hoping to return them to their original purpose and use. They have been working with the County, they have staff that make weekly visits to provide services. They have placed sixty-five individuals into homes. There are limited resources and housing. Although they have seen the number of campers and RV's decrease, there has been an increase in tents. They have added signage so police can enforce it. They have added concrete barriers to disallow RV's and campers into the lots. They are contracting out to put up fencing. The outreach is ongoing to tag vehicles and have them towed. The problem is ongoing, and this has been a large problem. DOT has invested a lot of staff to this issue. If ICC members would like to reach out to the DOT for more information, reach out to WisDOT. The work they have done up to now has helped, however it continues. Wis DOT may possibly choose to disinvest in these locations. Mayor Bukiewicz advised that the City of Oak Creek would be willing to take on College and Ryan Park n Rides. They are looking at untangling the Federal Funds that went into the locations. Mayor Neitzke asked who is responsible for maintenance and enforcement of the lots. WisDOT advised that they are, and they have been working with County. WisDOT advised that they

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have invited local law enforcement to participate in enforcement. The most the local departments can enforce is a \$10.00 fee for camping. Mayor McBride advised this is a State issue and has the DOT reached out to the legislatures about the issue. Mental illness is a good portion of the issue.

VII. Catalis Software Implementation Update

Matt Johnson and County Treasurer provided an update to the Catalis implementation for the County Treasurers. The settlement and the installment dates went well. The shut down issue seems to have been resolved. There are no high or critical issues occurring. The contract is coming up in December, Treasurer Cullen asked if anyone wants to have a discussion, please contact him.

Mayor Kennedy brought up that the group of Treasurers could provide the input on the renewal of the contract. Mayor Neitzke advised that in the past the municipalities used to be involved in the contract, however he shared that it would be expensive for a municipality to invest in their own contract. The point-of-sale terminals should be in by September 23rd. Matt Johnson advised that they are not moving forward with SSO at this time.

Matt asked that the staff send all information to County to assist in resolving any issues.

VIII. Wisconsin Justice Initiative Petition

Hales Corners Municipal Judge Jennine Sonntag spoke on a petition. Wisconsin Law requires courts provide an interpreter for all children, and indigent adults. Currently Municipal judges are not opposed to someone bringing a friend or family member to speak in court. They may hire an interpreter in trials. They sometimes use Language Line, a telephone service for interpretation. They have not had any issues or problems with the current processes. The pending petition in the Wisconsin Supreme Court is requesting expanding resources. The petition seeks that all courts have interpreters in court. Circuit Courts are required to use interpreters in their courts. There is a challenge to find interpreters. Currently the pay rate is \$50.00 per hour for these services. There would be no vehicle for reimbursement included on the petition. Statute allows for a \$10.00 per day fee. It is unable to find an interpreter for this cost. This petition would apply on an as needed basis. The judicial committee has met with the legislative to discuss reimbursement. The ICC will forward the information regarding the petition to Toni Herkert at the League.

IX. ICC Bank Account Discussion and possible action

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Each month the ICC is charged a \$6.00 fee for the account and there is a fee for writing checks. President Besson is suggesting moving the ICC bank account to Tri-City. Neitzke moved, Besson second to move the bank account to Tri-City from US Bank, all voted Aye.

X. Treasurer Report

The current balance of the ICC account as of is \$101,907.48.

XI. Review the contracts of shared services between Milwaukee County and the municipalities (recurring item)

None.

XII. Discussion and decision(s) regarding pending legislation which may have an impact on the ICC communities (recurring item)

None.

XIII. Updates from the members of the ICC regarding subjects listed below:

1. MADACC (Director Sparapani, Mayor Neitzke)

Mayor Neitzke advised there are more dogs than ever before, and they are running out of space. There has been discussion about expanding the footprint of MADACC. There have been a number of hoarding incidents. This is becoming more common place.

2. EMS (President Besson, President Montgomery)

President Besson advised there was a diversion for a cardiac due to a scanner being down. There was discussion of a new whole blood program. Some municipalities are participating and advised there will be whole blood on the ambulance. There are two new pain killers, one is fentanyl and ketamine. Milwaukee County receives two grants totaling 3.5 million. 2.5 regional county paramedic system. This grant goes through 2026. Chris McGowen advised that there is an expansion of integrated health. EMS has three vacancies.

3. Lakefront Development Commission (Mayor Bukiewicz, John Stalewski)

No report.

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4. **Community Development Block Grant (Diane Tsounis)**

Diane advised the 2025 block grant application process is out and available, applications are open. They have caught up with every municipality that usually applies, if you have questions or are interested, please contact Diane.

2024 action plan was approved, money was released from HUD. Municipalities will be received signing contracts, release of funds etc. from Dianes office. There will be a public hearing on Monday, September 19, for each applicant to present to the County Board. They are working on 2025-2029 consolidated plan.

5. **Land Information Council (Mayor Neitzke)**

No report.

6. **County Emergency Management & Communications (Director Libal)**

Chris McGowen, there is no dedicated timeline of which sirens will be worked on when. By the end of the year all will be complete. They are working on MOU's for all sirens located on municipal lands.

EMS team is pleased that the opioid dashboard is now also available in Spanish. They hope to add Hmong in the future.

7. **MobiliSE (David Steele)**

Mayor McBride advised that September 20 at noon, there is an online seminar on how Wisconsin spends funds on transportation and why it matters. October 17 there is a candidate forum for workforce and life. October 14 community responsive transportation workshop. FlexRide is still successful, and they have received many grants. The bus route on 27th street has been on hold due to the lack of funds from the County.

8. **Heroin Task Force (Mayor Bukiewicz)**

They have not met; they need to name a new chair and that needs to go through the City of Milwaukee.

9. **Employ Milwaukee (City of Milwaukee)**

Millie Coby advised there will be a workforce summit on September 18 at MATC downtown. Employ also has a hospitality program for local restaurant workers.

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10. Legislative Update – Jordan Primakow/Alec Knutson

No report.

**11. Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee (President Ann McCullough
McKaig)**

No report.

12. Parks Committee – (Mayor Neitzke)

No report.

XIV. Roundtable

Bayside- First car show, over seventy cars. Mayor Neitzke helped.

Brown Deer -No report.

Cudahy- No report.

Fox Point- No report.

Franklin- Signed a historic water agreement with the City of Oak Creek that will serve their community for decades to come. Wrapped up the Labor Day fair.

Glendale- No report.

Greendale- No report.

Greenfield- No report.

Hales Corners- No report.

Milwaukee- No report.

Milwaukee County- No report.

Oak Creek – water deal with Franklin. Franklin, Oak creek and Caledonia.

River Hills- No report.

St. Francis- No report.

Shorewood- No report.

South Milwaukee- Launched a new marketing campaign at the end of July. It is a sasquatch mascot, all grant funded.

Wauwatosa – No report.

West Allis – WWII vet passed away, a corn vendor from the Farmers Market passed. This year would have been his 101 birthday.

West Milwaukee – No report.

Whitefish Bay – No report.

XV. Items for Future Meetings

MATC EMS – October Follow up

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Milwaukee County Land Sale Appointee

Catalis – October Meeting POS and testing update

Milwaukee County homeless winter plan

Community Land Trust Discussion

XVI. Schedule Future Meetings

Next meeting is October 14, 2024 – City of Milwaukee

XVII. Adjournment

It was moved by President Stalewski, seconded by Mayor McBride, to adjourn the ICC meeting of September 9, 2024 at 3:01 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Mayor Daniel Bukiewicz, secretary

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