

Intergovernmental Cooperation Council Meeting Minutes Monday, April 12, 2021 At 1:14 p.m. Via Teleconference

Members Present:

Eido Walny, Village of Bayside Wanda Montgomery, Village of Brown Deer Tom Pavlic, City of Cudahy Douglas Frazer, Village of Fox Point Steve Olson, City of Franklin Bryan Kennedy, City of Glendale Jim Birmingham, Village of Greendale Michael Neitzke, City of Greenfield Dan Besson, Village of Hales Corners Tom Barrett, City of Milwaukee David Crowley, Milwaukee County Daniel Bukiewicz, City of Oak Creek Steve Anderson, Village of River Hills Allison Rozek, Village of Shorewood Erik Brooks, City of South Milwaukee Dennis McBride, City of Wauwatosa Dan Devine, City of West Allis John Stalewski, Village of West Milwaukee Paul Boening, Village of Whitefish Bay

Excused:

Ken Tutaj, City of St. Francis

Guests Present:

Rachel Safstrom, City of Glendale Kaela Sullivan, City of Glendale Andy Pederson, Village of Bayside Alec Knutson, Milwaukee County Guy Smith, Milwaukee County Steve Schmelzling, City of Glendale Ann Christiansen, North Shore Health Department



Brandon Weathersby, Urban Milwaukee Cassandra Libal, OEM Courtney Day, Franklin Health Department Dan Boehm, MCTS Darcy DuBois, Oak Creek Health Department David De Angelis, Village of Elm Grove Jason Cyborowski, City of Greendale Jim Tarantino, Milwaukee County Karen Sparapani, MADACC Kim Egan, Village of West Milwaukee Kimberly Montgomery, City of Milwaukee Kyle Caudill, Milwaukee County Laura Stephens, Wauwatosa Health Department Peggy Steeno, City of Franklin Rebecca Ewald, Village of Shorewood Rebecca Grill, City of West Allis Rick Oliva, City of Franklin Susan Shepeard, Greendale Health Department Todd Michaels, Village of Greendale Tom Winter, MCTS Tammy LaBorde, Village of River Hills Victoria Toliver, CDBG Darren Rausch, Greenfield Health Department Mildred Coby, Employ Milwaukee

I. Call to order, roll call, recording of attendance of guests

Meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. by Mayor Kennedy. Full attendance was taken on the Zoom chat feature. Guests were also asked to indicate their presence on the call.

II. Approval of the March 8, 2021 minutes

It was moved by Mayor Olson, seconded by President Birmingham, to approve the March 8, 2021 minutes with one correction. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kennedy stated that President Birmingham and President Rozek did not seek re-election, making this meeting their last ICC meeting. President Birmingham thanked the ICC members for their leadership skills and collaborative work throughout his years on the council.



III. Update on Covid-19 Cases and Vaccinations (Public Health Officers) Mayor Kennedy and fellow ICC members recognized Ann Christiansen for her hard work and wished her the best in her next career venture. Ann Christiansen thanked the ICC members for supporting the work of the public health officers.

Ann Christiansen explained concerns as positive COVID-19 cases are slightly increasing and assured that health officers are observing variant activity. Vaccine rollout is the biggest mitigation activity, but demand is slowing down. Focused outreach is a high priority: media campaign, navigation methods, etc. Also, the state has funded 6.2 million dollars to a community outreach program.

Mayor Devine questioned whether positive cases are being seen in the younger population due to ineligibility of the vaccine. Ann Christiansen stated this is true, but fully vaccinated individuals are also testing positive. Mayor Devine also asked what actions can be taken to encourage individuals to get vaccinated. Ann Christiansen stated there is value in demonstration and encouragement, especially within businesses.

Mayor Brooks asked the current level of concern that there is larger supply than demand. Ann Christiansen explained there is concern, but health officials are highlighting outreach efforts to encourage more individuals to get vaccinated.

Mayor Neitzke asked if there is data on how successful the vaccine has been thus far and questioned the danger zone that Milwaukee County is currently in regarding the curve. Ann Christiansen stated roughly 73% of individuals 65 years old and older have received at least one shot of the vaccine, but data on individuals with medical conditions is unknown. Public capacities have started to increase, but so have hospitalizations. Public health officials will know more in the next few weeks and are hoping to feel confident moving to a pandemic rather than a pandemic state.

IV. Introduction of County Board 2nd Vice Chair Steven Shea of the 8th District and remarks on the County Board Agenda for 2021 No Report.



V. Presentation by MCTS about new bus routes (Dan Boehm and Tom Winter, MCTS)

Director Dan Boehm updated the ICC members on the new bus route network, designed to meet the community's modern needs and to improve the rider experience. Tom Winter then discussed the process and implementation plan of MCTS NEXT.

Mayor Brooks asked if there has been any feedback of the recent transit changes and wondered the level of flexibility MCTS has for growth as it evolves. Tom Winter stated that customer complaints disappeared after a week, resulting solely in positive feedback and an increase is riders thus far. For future changes, MCTS hopes to be flexible and follow economic development.

Mayor Olson questioned why there is not a transit in the southeast area of the city. Dan Boehm stated there are many variants under consideration when extending bus routes, including frequency of service and funding. Mayor Olson would like to discuss this privately with MCTS.

VI. Presentation by County Parks about proposed summer park usage (Guy Smith and Jim Tarantino, MKE Co Parks)

Jim Tarantino discussed upcoming summer programming and events in Milwaukee County Parks. Park operations and services are expected to proceed at the 2019 summer status quo for general parks and infrastructure support with requirements and restrictions in place.

Mayor Kennedy asked if more than 1,000 people will be allowed in Milwaukee County parks and if municipalities will be able to apply for park permits. Mr. Tarantino stated the capacity will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis depending on the park size. Some events currently have permits, but it is likely that some large events will be cancelled.

Mayor Brooks questioned if municipalities will be responsible for enforcing approved event sizes and wondered whether the county will require masks at events. Jim Tarantino stated assured both statements are true.

VII. Discussion on local decisions to host large summer events like 4th of July and other festivals (recurring item through August 2021) No Report.



VIII. Discussion concerning Milwaukee County zip codes (Mayor Neitzke) Mayor Neitzke shared the frustrations of having seven different zip codes in Greenfield. Municipalities that have multiple zip codes should email Mayor Neitzke the community's name and list of zip codes associated with their area. Mayor Neitzke would like to create a resolution seeking support from the ICC to share with congressmen and senators at the national level to ensure office mailing lists align with census data, properly recognizing municipalities in the North Shore area.

President Stalewski agrees this topic needs to be addressed and stated it may be beneficial to collect data analytics from the post office to find out how carrier routes are determined.

Mayor Kennedy stated when the resolution is created, it will be placed on the agenda as an action item.

- IX. Review the contracts of shared services between Milwaukee County and the municipalities (recurring item) No Report.
- X. Discussion and decision(s) regarding pending legislation which may have an impact on the ICC communities (recurring item) No Report.

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

1. MADACC (Director Sparapani)

Director Sparapani stated there will be a Microsoft Teams Meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 1:30PM. Animal intake has been rising. MADACC's virtual event is doing well and is expected to raise roughly \$10,000.

- 2. EMS (Mayor Olson, President Montgomery) No Report.
- 3. Lakefront Development Commission (Mayor Bukiewicz) No Report.



> 4. **Community Development Block Grant (Victoria Toliver)** Victoria Toliver stated Wisconsin received \$90 million in home funds to increase affordable housing and address homelessness.

5. Land Information Council (President Rozek)

Mayor Kennedy stated the vacancy for the Land Information Council will be on the May 2021 agenda as an action item. Mayor Neitzke showed interest.

6. **County Emergency Management & Communications (Director Libal)** Director Libal shared that a few members will go before the board for EMS and she is hopeful there will be a quorum.

7. Regional Transit Leadership Council (David Steele)

David Steele stated RTLC is supportive of MCTS, which is moving forward on a new project to bring in question of coverage. Also, a new series, "Intersections", will begin on Wednesday at noon.

8. Heroin Task Force (Mayor Bukiewicz)

Mayor Bukiewicz stated the next meeting is scheduled for the beginning of May 2021, and numbers continue to increase.

9. Employ Milwaukee (City of Milwaukee)

Millie Coby stated the Earn and Learn Program is now accepting miniinternship applications for ages 14 - 24.

10. Legislative Update

Alec Knutson briefly reported on state and federal topics. Mr. Knutson stated that joint finance is conducting hearings in late April 2021. Agency briefings at the state level are currently being held. The legislature plans on writing their own budget.

Kimberly Montgomery stated congress reinstated earmark requests. Ms. Montgomery will send the updated Rescue Plan to Mayor Kennedy for distribution. ICC members are encouraged to join the National League of Cities and the US Congress of Mayors meetings regarding the Rescue Plan.



XII. Round Table Discussion

Mayor Kennedy and fellow ICC members welcomed Shorewood's Village President, Ann McCullough McKaig, and Greendale's Village President, Jason Cyborowski. ICC members also thanked President Birmingham for his service.

Village of Brown Deer had a soft opening today of its new library and encouraged ICC members to visit. Village of Brown Deer also has a new website and is currently planning summer events.

City of Wauwatosa is celebrating his first year as Mayor. There are 8-9 new proposals for development and there is a Plan Commission meeting tonight.

City of West Allis highly encouraged other municipalities to create a cash mob, which helps rally residents to support local independent businesses.

XIII. Items for Future Meetings

Introduction of new duty officer (North Shore Health Department)

Appointment of ICC member to fill vacancy on Land Information Council

XIV. Schedule Future Meeting – April 12, 2021, 1:00 p.m., via Zoom

Mayor Kennedy stated the May 10, 2021 ICC meeting will be hosted via Zoom at 1:00 p.m.

XV. Adjournment

It was moved by President Birmingham, seconded by Mayor Devine, to adjourn the ICC meeting of April 12, 2021 at 3:03 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Mayor Kennedy, secretary