

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE
5N430 Railroad Street, Wayne, IL 60184**

**January 20, 2026
7:30pm**

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Phipps asked all to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. CALL TO ORDER

President Phipps called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call:

Present in Village Hall: President Phipps, Trustees Guy Bevente, Pete Connolly,
Mike Dimitroff, Ed Hull, Karen Kaluzsa, Emily Miller – Six (6)

Absent: None

Present via Webinar: None

Also Present in Village Hall: Police Chief Tim Roberts
Village Clerk Patricia Engstrom
Village Attorney David Freeman
Village Treasurer Howard Levine
Village Engineer Dan Lynch

Public present via Webinar: Michelle & Peter Mourousias, Anna Cunanan, Elaine Bevente - Four (4)

III. PUBLIC COMMENT - (please limit your comments to three minutes)

Speakers may submit written comments in lieu of verbal comments by emailing them to the Clerk not later than noon the day preceding the day of the meeting. The Clerk shall deliver written comments to the Board President and Trustees. The President may acknowledge receipt of them during open meetings without reading them verbatim. Though not required by OMA, anyone wishing to make public comments without attending the meeting in person may do so through the Village's zoom platform by clicking the raise hand icon during the Public Comment section of the meeting.

The Public Comment section is intended to give the public an opportunity to present a comment or opinion to the Board of Trustees. It is not intended to be a time for questions and answers or debate on political issues. Discussion between speakers and other members of the audience will not be permitted. For questions, please email members of the Board directly and a Board member or staff will respond directly. Public Comment is limited to this portion of the agenda and the public should not interrupt the Board during the remainder of the meeting. Should a member of the public become disruptive or interrupt another speaker they will be warned once, and if the disruption continues, removed from the meeting.

None.

IV. A. Approval of Remote Attendance for Trustee

None.

V. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF

A. PLAN COMMISSION

No report

B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report.

B. ENGINEERING

1. Lake Eleanor Drainage Project, Trine Construction Inv. B-202602-01

Engineer Lynch discussed the Lake Eleanor drainage project that took place January 5, 2026. One homeowner made a change which relieved standing water on their property frontage. As work had already started, Engineer Lynch made the decision not to extend the pipe as far north as expected but set it to extend east to drain into the lake. Drilling through the road could not be done as planned as there was a lot of rock and debris under the road. An open cut was made to complete the work and subsequently patched for winter. Restoration will be made when weather allows. The first pay request is on the Consent Agenda, with 10% retained if needed. See Item VI. B.

On a separate matter, Engineer Lynch was contacted by the Engineer from Bartlett regarding Munger Road from Army Trail north to Stearns. Bartlett is requesting IDOT change the functional classification of the road from “Local Road” to “Minor Collector.” Part of the application process is to consult local municipalities. As there was no objection from the Board, he will write a letter of support. Lastly, AT&T has started work on Army Trail and are currently in Dunham North and the Billy Burns, Derby Road area.

C. PARK COMMISSION

No report.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes December 16, 2025 – Open Session

B. Trine Construction Corp. (Lake Eleanor Drainage) Inv. #B-202602-01 - \$58,587.02

C. Authorization for Destruction of Verbatim Record of Closed Meeting(s) held on the following dates, as no less than 18 months have passed and Minutes have been approved for such meeting. (Minutes of Closed Sessions have previously been approved by Board of Trustees:) 04/16/2024, 05/07/2024, 05/21/2024

Trustee Connolly made the motion to establish the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.

Trustee Bevente made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Hull.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Bevente, Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Six (6)

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

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VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None.

VIII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

IX. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Clerk's Report – Patti Engstrom

Clerk Engstrom reported the January 2026 edition of the Wayne Window will go out this week.

B. Treasurer's Report – Howard Levine

1. Financial Statements as of November 30, 2025 and the Seven Months Then Ended

Treasurer Levine gave a brief review, saying plan is up \$130,000 due to sales and income tax. Expenses are up \$10,000 due to salaries and raises.

Trustee Hull made the motion to approve Financial Statements as of November 30, 2025 and the Seven Months Then Ended. Seconded by Trustee Connolly and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Trustee Bevente abstained.

2. Disbursements – November 2025

Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to approve Disbursements for November 2025. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Trustee Bevente abstained.

C. President's Report – Eileen Phipps

No report.

C. Village Attorney's Report – David Freeman

No report.

X. APPOINTMENTS – VILLAGE COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

None.

XI. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Safety – Pete Connolly

Chief Roberts reported the following: 1) 1/12 the Department played games with students at Wayne Elementary School. 2) Overnight on 1/28, DuPage County is doing a homeless count. Surprisingly, there are homeless people passing through along the railroad tracks and near the downtown area. 3) Chief said Public Works responded quickly during the recent snowfalls.

Traffic crash reports for the Army Trail/Powis intersection: 2019-13; 2020-10; 2021-8; 2022-6; 2023-3; 2024-6.

Police Dept. Stats for December 2025: Dispatched Calls 237; Motor Assists 38; Accidents 11; House Watch 414; Traffic Stops 120; Citations 105.

B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff

No report.

D. Finance – Pete Connolly

Trustee Connolly said he hopes to provide a full report regarding hiring an architect with the highest ranked firm at the next meeting.

E. Administration – Karen Kaluzsa

1. Closed Session – Item B. (c)(1) Appointment, Employment, Compensation of Village Employees

Trustee Kaluzsa reported the three file cabinets approved at the last meeting were \$153 more than expected due to no longer having the sale price. One was delivered yesterday, the other two are soon to arrive.

Trustee Kaluzsa had one item for Closed Session.

E. Development/Historic and Rural Preservation – Ed Hull

No report.

F. Building & Zoning – Ed Hull

Trustee Hull had one item for Closed Session.

G. Parks – Emily Miller

No report.

H. Technology – Guy Bevente

Trustee Bevente reported ConsultNet provided a new annual contract for the year with a small COLA increase. He has a few questions and will have it reviewed by Attorney Adams before presenting it to the Board. On a separate matter, he will contact Lumos and Comcast to see where they stand on putting infrastructure in the Village.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Kaluzsa made the motion to go into Closed Session for Section 2(c)(1) Item B. Appointment, Employment, Compensation of Village Employees. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Bevente, Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Six (6)

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

The Board entered Closed Session at 8:00 pm.

The Board re-entered Open Session at 8:30 pm.

Roll Call: President Phipps, Trustees Bevente, Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller, Attorney Freeman, Chief Roberts, Treasurer Levine and Clerk Engstrom.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Pederson Properties, Rt. 25 IGA

None.

B. Action on Staffing & Salary

None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Engstrom, Village Clerk

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