

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE  
April 16, 2024**

President Phipps serves on the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association, and with them attended the annual Springfield Drive Down to meet with Governor Pritzker and leaders of the House and Senate. Pro Tempore Hull chaired the meeting.

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pro Tempore Hull asked all to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. CALL TO ORDER**

Pro Tempore Hull called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

**Roll Call:**

**Present in Village Hall: Trustees Guy Bevente, Pete Connolly, Mike Dimitroff, Gary Figurski, Ed Hull, Emily Miller – Six (6)**

**Absent: President Phipps – One (1)**

**Present via Webinar: Treasurer Howard Levine**

**Also Present in Village Hall: Police Chief Tim Roberts  
Village Attorney Pete Wilson  
Village Clerk Patricia Engstrom  
Resident Anna Cunanan, 32W235 Army Trail Road**

**Present via Webinar: Four members of the Public attended by Webinar**

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

*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 should be 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. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF**

**A. PLAN COMMISSION**

No report.

**B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

No report.

**C. ENGINEERING**

No report.

**D. PARK COMMISSION**

Trustee Miller reported the following: 1) The Commission continues to work with Jim Lorenz on tree dedication in Memorial Park. 2) They are discussing various ideas such as a rummage sale, possibly in coalition with the Church. 3) They may spray for chervil by Misty's Meadow before it goes to seed.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA****A. Minutes April 2, 2024 – Open Session****B. Little Home Church for April 1, 2024 Plan Commission Meeting - \$100****C. Arbor Day Proclamation – April 26, 2024**

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

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

**VI. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS****A. Res. #24-R-03; Michael J. Gricus Employment Agreement**

Trustee Connolly asked to move this item to after Closed Session.

**B. Res. #24-R-04; Lamplight Equestrian Center Add'l Show Days 2024**

Trustee Figurski made the motion to approve Res. #24-R-04, Approving Additional Outdoor Show Days for Lamplight Equestrian Center. Seconded by Trustee Connolly.

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Motion passed 6-0.**

**VIII. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS****A. Clerk's Report – Patti Engstrom**

No report.

**B. Treasurer's Report – Howard Levine**

No report.

**C. President's Report – Eileen Phipps**

**1. Dunham North HOA Proxy**

Dunham North will hold its annual meeting April 22. The Village owns property in Dunham North and requires representation at the meeting. In President Phipps' absence, Pro Tempore Hull asked Trustee Connolly to represent the Village.

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to appoint Trustee Connolly as Village proxy for Dunham North HOA. Seconded by Trustee Miller.**

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion passed 6-0.**

**D. Village Attorney's Report – Pete Wilson**

No report.

**IX. APPOINTMENTS – VILLAGE COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

None.

**X. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Public Safety – Pete Connolly**

**1. Closed Session – Item A. Pending Imminent or Probable Litigation**

Trustee Connolly had one item for Closed Session.

Chief Roberts reported the following: 1) It is National Telecommunication Week; the Police Dept. will bring lunch to KaneCom in appreciation for their work. 2) Community Clean Up Day was a success in that much was accomplished and no accidents or injuries took place. 3) The Police will present a Safety Seminar at Little Home Church Thursday 10am. 4) The Dept. took delivery of radios at a discount by using the grant. The radios originally cost \$13,000; the Dept. got them for \$6,500. 5) Chief Roberts serves on MERIT, the DuPage County Wide Task Force created in 2019. The Village pays \$6,500/year to partake in it. Chief will offer a MERIT presentation to the Board.

**B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff**

Trustee Dimitroff reported the following: 1) Public Works has been clearing branches in preparation for the mowing season. 2) PW found a broken drain tile in Honey Hill Meadow; 3) Trustee Dimitroff has contacted the former contractor to hay Honey Hill Meadow. 4) 120 bags of trash were picked up on Community Clean Up Day. Comments were made that a lot of trash was from drinkers and smokers.

**C. Finance – Pete Connolly**

No report.

**D. Administration – Emily Miller**

No report.

**E. Development/Historic and Rural Preservation – Ed Hull**

No report.

**F. Building & Zoning – Gary Figurski**

No report.

**G. Parks – Emily Miller**

No report.

**H. Technology – Guy Bevente****1. Cyber Security and Training Added Protection**

Trustee Bevente discussed his memo regarding Computer Environment Protection and Security Training. 91% of all cyber-attacks begin with email, costing \$2.7 billion in 2022. In addition to Defender 365 for each Village email address, he recommends a two-prong approach: 1) All elected, appointed, and employed members review and sign the RMA Security Awareness Training annually, and 2) Curricula Online Automated Training for admin and accounting staff.

**Trustee Bevente made the motion to approve Defender 365 and Curricula Online Training Not to Exceed \$100/month. Seconded by Trustee Connolly;**

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion passed 6-0.**

Continuing his report, Trustee Bevente felt it was smart to pursue a best of suite software for Village use.

Lastly, Trustee Bevente discussed the State of Illinois Broadband Program. Round 3 of Biden's BEAD funding was passed out by the State last week and the Village did not receive any funding. Most of the money went to southern and western Illinois. \$22 million remains of Round 3 funding, and he urged the Board to contact statesmen to send a follow up letters of support. Round 4 contains \$1 billion and may become available this summer. The Village of Wayne's application automatically moves to Round 4.

**XI. CLOSED SESSION**

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to go into Closed Session for Item A – Pending, Imminent or Probable Litigation, and Item B – Appointment, Employment and Compensation of Village Employees. Seconded by Trustee Bevente.**

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion passed 6-0.**

**The Board entered Closed Session at 8:10 pm.**

**The Board re-entered Open Session at 8:45pm.**

**Trustee Figurski made the motion to approve Res. #24-R-03, Authorizing Execution of an Amended Employment Agreement with Michael J. Gricus, subject to language clarification and inclusion of the pay table. Seconded by Trustee Bevente.**

**Roll Call:**

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

**Nays: None**

**Absent: None**

**Motion passed 6-0.**

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**XIII. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Action on Proposed Settlement for Damage to Police Vehicle**

Trustee Connolly deferred action until further contact by Village Attorney Pete Wilson.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Figurski and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Patricia Engstrom, Clerk**

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