

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE
May 7, 2024**

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 Eileen Phipps, Trustees Guy Bevente, Pete Connolly, Mike Dimitroff, Gary Figurski, Ed Hull, Emily Miller – Seven (7)

Absent: None

**Also Present in Village Hall: Police Chief Tim Roberts
Village Attorney Pete Wilson
Village Clerk Patricia Engstrom
Treasurer Howard Levine
Martin McManamon, Wayne Township Road District
Resident Allison Brown 32W040 Army Trial Road
Resident Joe Miller 33W460 Thorncroft
Resident Elaine Bevente 4N633 Mountain Ash Drive**

Present via Webinar: Three 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.

Martin McManamon, Wayne Township Road District ,said the District received an 80/20 reimbursable federal grant from Congresswoman Delia Ramirez’ office for an 8’ bike path to be attached to the Prairie Path along the west side of Powis Road north of Army Trail. The path will go from the railroad tracks to Stearns Road. Approx. 1200’ of the path is in Wayne’s boundaries. The project includes a mill and resurface of Powis Road. President Phipps asked what the Village’s cost of 1200’ of that 20% would be. Mr. McManamon will provide that information and the Board will discuss with Engineer Lynch.

IV. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF

A. PLAN COMMISSION

Attorney Wilson reported the Plan Com met last night at Little Home Church. He believes there will be one more meeting before the Commission offers recommendations to the Board.

B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report.

C. ENGINEERING

No report.

D. PARK COMMISSION

Trustee Miller reported the following: 1) The Park Commission passed out 60 pin oaks for Arbor Day and taught two 4th grade classes at Wayne Elementary School. 2) The Commission received a sticker from Tree City USA for the 27th year. President Phipps recalled the first Arbor Day when the Village planted the gingko tree with school children in front of the former Police Dept on Railroad Street.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes April 16, 2024 – Open & Closed Sessions

B. Annual Contract to Mow Honey Hill w/ James Kowalski (Village receives \$1,000/year)

C. Radco & Eby Graphics for 2024 Patrol Car Equipment Changeover/Striping – Not to Exceed \$9,900.00

D. Wayne Community Association - Flag Day Parade - \$1,100.00

E. Abbott Landscape - Spray Herbicide for Chervil at Misty's Meadow – Not to Exceed \$915.00

F. Metro West Annual Membership Dues - \$500.00

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

Treasurer Levine confirmed the Village will have no responsibility/liability for the band at Flag Day. Trustee Miller replied that was correct.

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

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

VI. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None.

VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

VIII. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Clerk's Report – Patti Engstrom

No report.

B. Treasurer's Report – Howard Levine

Treasurer Levine provided a brief review of the Financial Statements.

1. Financial Statements as of March 31, 2024 and for the Eleven Months Then Ended
Trustee Figurski made the motion to approve Financial Statements as of March 31, 2024 and for the Eleven Months Then Ended. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.

2. March 2024 Disbursements

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve March 2024 Disbursements. Seconded by Trustee Bevente and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.

C. President's Report – Eileen Phipps

President Phipps reported she contacted Canadian National Railroad a month ago regarding the severely damaged tracks on Army Trail in front of the PD and received an immediate response. After hearing nothing more, she contacted them again and received an email saying the tracks are scheduled for repair and will be addressed within 60 days. On a separate matter, Engineer Lynch submitted IDOT projects to State Rep. Ugaste for potential funding, recommending Route 25 at Army Trail/Pearson, and Route 25/Stearns. He also recommended Army Trail from Munger to Kane County line, Army Trail from Dunham to Route 25, and Powis Road from Smith north to Village limit.

D. Village Attorney's Report – Pete Wilson

1. Approval of Settlement of Claim Against Jiffy Lube

Attorney Wilson reached an agreement with Liberty Mutual Insurance to settle the claim against Jiffy Lube's damage to Squad #3102 for \$8,000, \$1,000 more than originally offered.

Trustee Figurski made the motion to approve the Jiffy Lube Settlement Claim in the amount of \$8,000.00, to be signed by Chief Roberts. Seconded by Trustee Hull.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

IX. APPOINTMENTS – VILLAGE COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

President Phipps made the following appointments:

One Year Commission Terms through April 30, 2025:

Treasurer Howard Levine; Chief of Police Tim Roberts; Clerk Patricia Engstrom;
Attorney Mickey, Wilson, Weiler, Renzi, Lenert & Julien PC; President Pro Tempore Ed Hull;
B&Z Director Mike Gricus.

Historic Sites Chair Kathie Connolly; Park Commission Chair Marie Iozzo; Plan Commission Chair Carol Dimitroff; Zoning Board Chair Joe Giagnorio.

Administrative Committee Chair Emily Miller; B&Z Committee Chair Gary Figurski; Park Committee Liaison Emily Miller; Development/HARP Committee Chair Ed Hull; Finance Committee Chair Pete Connolly; Public Safety Committee Chair Pete Connolly; Public Works Committee Chair Mike Dimitroff, Technology Committee Chair Guy Bevente.

Two Year Commission Term through April 30, 2026

Police Pension Board Bonnie Dauer.

Four Year Commission Term through April 30, 2028

Historic Sites - Susan Abbott, Kathie Connolly, Kim Killian.

Park Commission - Marie Iozzo, Jenise Koerner.

Plan Commission - Miguel Santana, Greg Richard, Fred Iozzo.

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve the appointments, seconded by Trustee Figurski and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.

X. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Safety

Chief Roberts reported the following: 1) The Safety Tips Presentation at the church had 15 attendees and was well received. 2) A theft of baseball cards in Bradford Park has been resolved, charging an HVAC employee with felony for residential burglary. 3) The PD has approved one Solicitor Permit thus far for roofing. Soliciting with a permit is allowed from 10am-9pm. Solicitors may not violate the No Solicitation sticker on a property. A Solicitor's Permit fee is \$75. Police Dept. Stats for April: Dispatched Calls 281; Complaints 12; Animal calls 6; Alarms & Wellness Checks 25; 911 Calls 3; Department Assists 7; Motorist Assists 21.

Trustee Connolly discussed the following:

1. Salary Action Non-Supervisor Part-Time and Full-Time Sworn Police Officers

All part-time officers: increase 4% to \$29.65/hour. All full-time officers: increase 3.75% to \$79,900/year. These increases do not include Chief Roberts, Deputy Chief Abruzzo, Nancy Harris or Julian Crea.

2. Change in Vacation Policy for Full-Time Police Officers not under Contract

Increase non-contract full-time officers' vacation from two weeks to three weeks per year.

3. Institute Shift Differential Pay for Midnight Shift

Increase midnight shift pay \$1/hour.

4. Institute Voluntary Compensatory Time Policy

Full-time officers shall be allowed to choose the option of overtime pay or compensatory time at one and a half times the hours worked. Officers will be allowed to accumulate up to forty (40) hours of compensatory time and may be granted time off (in accordance with the approval process) provided said time off does not cause overtime to be paid to another officer.

5. Closed Session – Item B. Appointment, Employment & Compensation

Trustee Connolly had one item for Closed Session.

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve items X. A. 1-4 above. Seconded by Trustee Hull.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

Trustee Connolly reported he and Chief Roberts have been working with an architect firm gathering quotes to convert the new Police building to accommodate Village staff and ADA requirements. He will bring the information to the Board and Public when all is acquired.

B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff

1. Closed Session – Item B. Appointment, Employment & Compensation

Trustee Dimitroff reported Public Works has filled potholes and replaced all street name signs. Mowing and tree trimming has begun for the season. The Historic Wayne Road signs are on order and will soon be replaced. Trustee Dimitroff had one item for Closed Session.

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

Trustee Bevente sent an email explaining the reasoning to pursue the best of suite approach for pursuit of software automation for the village. He asked for Trustee and Commission heads help to gather the top 10 functions. Once received, we will put in place a process and committee to evaluate packages and provide a formal evaluation. He asked for feedback by May 30. Trustee Bevente provided a memo on the website rework completed thus far, breaking it into four categories of Fixes, Navigation, New Feature/Function, and Content, discussing the website improvements in progress. He also shared and reviewed the new site map showing navigation changes planned. Trustee Figurski asked about traffic analytics.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to go into Closed Session for Item B – Appointment, Employment and Compensation of Village Employees. Seconded by Trustee Figurski.

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 8:35 pm.

The Board re-entered Open Session at 9:00 pm.

Chief Roberts returned to meeting at 9:02 pm

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**A. Approve Benefits & Compensation discussed in Closed Session**

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve benefits and compensation as discussed in Closed Session. Seconded by Trustee Figurski.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Figurski and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Engstrom, Clerk

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