

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

**December 16, 2025  
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 Pete Connolly, Mike Dimitroff, Ed Hull, Karen Kaluzsa, Emily Miller – Five (5)

**Absent:** Trustee Guy Bevente – One (1)

**Present via Webinar:** Village Treasurer Howard Levine

**Also Present in Village Hall:** Police Chief Tim Roberts  
Village Clerk Patricia Engstrom  
Village Attorney Steve Adams

**Present via Webinar:** None

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

*Speakers may submit written comments in lieu of verbal comments by emailing them to 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.

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**IV. A. Approval of Remote Attendance for Trustee**

None.

**V. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF**

**A. PLAN COMMISSION**

Attorney Adams reported the Commission will not amend the language on small sheds. It will work on non-conforming residential structures and will hold a Public Hearing regarding same. The Commission will re-focus on the Comprehensive Plan in January.

**B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

No report.

**C. ENGINEERING**

Engineer Lynch reported he had a pre-construction meeting with Trine Construction December 5 for the Lake Eleanor drainage project. Construction will start in January, weather permitting. Plans are to drill a pipe under the road and driveways. On a separate matter, Eng. Lynch is reviewing two new houses in town, one in Woods of Wayne, one in Wayne Meadows.

**D. PARK COMMISSION**

No report.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Minutes December 2, 2025 – Open Session**

**B. Purchase of One 4-Drawer File Cabinet – Walmart - \$439.16**

**C. Purchase of Two 5-Shelf Storage Cabinets – Home Depot - \$878.48**

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

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Kaluzsa.**

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes: Trustees Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Five (5)**

**Absent: Trustee Bevente – One (1)**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed 5-0**

**VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**VII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

None.

**IX. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Clerk's Report – Patti Engstrom**

Clerk Engstrom reported IML confirmed it received Wayne's contribution to the time capsule for the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America. The Village contributed the book An Honorable Heritage by resident Tannisse Blatchford, a 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary magnet, a small green VOW flag, a Wayne Window newsletter and a Wayne Historical Preservation Society newsletter. The capsule will be opened July 4, 2076 in Springfield.

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

**1. Financial Statements as of October 31, 2025 and the Six Months Then Ended**

Treasurer Levine gave a brief review, saying property taxes are ahead of prior years due to timing. Income tax is ahead of plan, and traffic fines have increased. Interest revenue has decreased due to reduction of interest rates. Expenses are higher due to legal costs. The Village remains fiscally sound.

**Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve Financial Statements as of October 31, 2025 and the Six Months Then Ended. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.**

**2. Disbursements - October 2025**

**Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve Disbursements for October 2025. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote.**

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

No report.

**D. Village Attorney's Report – Steve Adams**

Attorney Adams is working on TPI, B&Z fees, Lake Eleanor drainage issue, FOIA, and District 303 IGA.

**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) The Tree Lighting Ceremony had a good turnout; lighting assistance from Hanover Park Township helps keep everyone safe in an otherwise dark area; 2) The Christmas Shop with a Cop was for disadvantaged children was hugely successful. Officers made personal connections with kids and provided business cards; 3) Wayne School will be closed for the holidays December 22 – January 4.

Police Dept. Stats for November 2025: Dispatched Calls 267; Motor Assists 31; Accidents 16; House Watch 140; Traffic Stops 139; Citations 117.

**B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff**

**1. Repair International 7400 Salt Plow -\$14,175.00**

Trustee Dimitroff reported the 2016 salt truck is undergoing many repairs; that is the nature of salt trucks. Rush Truck Center has found another issue which has increased repair costs to \$16,468.64.

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to approve repairs on the 2016 International 7400 Salt Plow not to exceed \$17,000. Seconded by Trustee Kaluzsa.**

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes: Trustees Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Five (5)**

**Absent: Trustee Bevente – One (1)**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed 5-0**

**C. Finance – Pete Connolly**

Trustee Connolly reported architect proposals for the Police Building are moving on to oral interviews.

**D. Administration – Karen Kaluzsa**

Trustee Kaluzsa reported the Tree City USA application is ready to be mailed and FOIA's have been put online on the Village website.

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

Trustee Hull has been speaking with the lot owner on Dunham Road next to Royal Fox, discussing options for the property, as well as other homeowners regarding neighbor concerns.

**F. Building & Zoning – Ed Hull**

**1. Res. 25-R-12; Agreement–Village of Wayne and T.P.I. Building Code Consultants Inc.**  
Trustee Hull made the motion to approve Res. 25-R-12; Agreement – Village of Wayne and T.P.I Building Code Consultants Inc. Seconded by Trustee Dimitroff.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Five (5)

**Absent:** Trustee Bevente – One (1)

**Nays:** None

**Motion passed 5-0**

**2. B&Z Fee Schedule December 16, 2025**

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve the Building & Zoning Fee Schedule, effective December 16, 2025. Seconded by Trustee Hull.

**Roll Call:**

**Ayes:** Trustees Connolly, Dimitroff, Hull, Kaluzsa, Miller – Five (5)

**Absent:** Trustee Bevente – One (1)

**Nays:** None

**Motion passed 5-0**

**G. Parks – Emily Miller**

Trustee Miller said the Parks Commission is looking for more ways to engage the community in 2026. Send any suggestions her way.

**H. Technology – Guy Bevente**

No report.

**XII. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**XIII. CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**XIV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Pederson Properties, Rt. 25 IGA**

Trustee Hull said he and Attorney Richard Irvin will set a meeting regarding the property on Route 25.

**B. Staffing**

Tabled until January.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

**Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Patricia Engstrom, Village Clerk**

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