

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNE
August 6, 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, Mike Dimitroff, Gary Figurski, Ed Hull, Emily Miller – Six (6)

Absent: Trustee Pete Connolly – One (1)

**Also Present in Village Hall: Police Chief Tim Roberts
Village Attorney Pete Wilson
Village Clerk Patricia Engstrom
Treasurer Howard Levine
Public Works Tommy King
Plan Commission Chair Carol Dimitroff
Resident Bev Parota 4N260 Woodland Trail West
Resident Bernie Cotton 4N280 Woodland Trail
Residents Joe & Cathy Favilla 31W291 Prairie Lane
Resident Tom Spencer 4N230 Woodland Trail West
Resident Kathy Tranchida 5N055 Munger Road
Resident Stephanie Zito 31W271 Prairie Lane**

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.

Resident Bernie Cotton commented on flooding in Lake Eleanor Estates and excessive number of cars on a property.

Resident Kathy Tranchida commented on zoning code changes regarding hens and horses seen on a Facebook site. President Phipps assured her the Village would not be changing its equestrian heritage, there are no plans regarding hens, and cautioned against rumors on social media.

Resident Stephanie Zito commented on flooding in Lake Eleanor Estates, suggesting the Village exercise Eminent Domain on surrounding properties.

IV. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF

A. PLAN COMMISSION

Attorney Wilson reported the Plan Commission will meet Monday Aug 12, 7:00pm at the church. There are two Public Hearings on the agenda - one regarding livestock, the other regarding Special Use for the Police building.

B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report.

C. ENGINEERING

Eng. Lynch reported IDOT has reviewed the 2024 Road Program plans and he is waiting for their comments. Regarding Lake Eleanor flooding, he has requested an extension to the DCEO grant which expires November 2024. He attended the annual Lake Eleanor Estates HOA meeting July 22. Neighbors could not come to a decision to proceed using the grant money. He will research the cost of grading with and without a low-flow pipe. The Village will contact the State to request more grant money needed to resolve the issue of standing water and flooding.

D. PARK COMMISSION

The Commission will meet next week.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes July 16, 2024

B. Proclamation National See Tracks/Think Trains Week

C. Proclamation Arts DuPage

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

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

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Bevente, Dimitroff, Figurski, Hull, Miller – Five (5)

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Connolly – One (1)

Motion passed 5-0.

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

1. Financial Statements as of June 30, 2024 and the Two Months Then Ended

Treasurer Levine provided a recap of the financial statements.

Trustee Hull made the motion to approve Financial Statements as of June 30, 2024 and the Two Months Then Ended. Seconded by Trustee Figurski.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Bevente, Dimitroff, Figurski, Hull, Miller – Five (5)

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Connolly – One (1)

Motion passed 5-0.

2. June 2024 Disbursements

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

C. President's Report – Eileen Phipps

President Phipps reported the following: 1) She received a copy of the Wayne Police Pension Fund Annual Tax Levy Requirements and asked that it be placed on record. 2) At a recent Metro West event, President Phipps saw Rep. Dan Ugaste and asked him about the IDOT projects at Route 25 and Pearson, and Stearns. She received a letter from IDOT saying the funding available is for state roads not Village roads. 3) She saw Senator DeWitte and discussed the Village's grant for broadband. 4) She noted the Village is due funds from the Safety Act; perhaps it can be used for capitol improvements. 5) Funding is available for body cams. 6) She has a meeting next week with Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi.

D. Village Attorney's Report – Pete Wilson

1. Clarification for Issuance of Permits

Attorney Wilson discussed the need for clarification on permits, saying driveway permits are to be signed by the Village Engineer. There are a number of other areas in the Code regarding who should sign permits. He will add a broad description to Title 1 of who issues permits.

2. Derby Road Right-of-Way

A resident on Billy Burns requested purchasing the right-of-way on Derby Road that goes between her property and the neighbor to the north, and dead ends at the railroad tracks. The Village has two options: 1) vacate the right-of-way with half going to the property owner on the south and half to the property owner on the north, or designating a price to be paid with the possibility that the property could go to only one adjoining parcel; or 2) declare it as surplus property which requires either putting it out to bid or a private sale which requires getting an MAI appraisal and selling for not less than 80% of the appraisal price. No decision was made.

3. Billy Burns Bridge

This item was tabled to next meeting.

IX. APPOINTMENTS – VILLAGE COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

None.

X. REPORTS OF TRUSTEES AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Safety

Chief Roberts reported the following: 1) The CN Railroad crossing on Army Trail east of Powis was repaired July 22. Beginning last fall, various Village employees contacted the railroad requesting repair. In May, President Phipps got them to commit to repairs within 60 days. 2) Route 25 & Gilbert will be closed five days for repairs this fall. Date not yet known. 3) August 13 is the first day of school. There will be increased enforcement by the school. 4) Surveyors marked Army Trail Road from Munger to Powis for communication lines. No utility has requested a permit yet. 5) The Dept. applied for a traffic enforcement grant.

Police Dept. statistics for July 2024: Dispatched Calls 276 ; Complaints 24; Animal Calls 6; Alarms & Wellness Checks 32; 911 Calls 4; Department Assists 8; Motorist Assists 21.

B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff

Trustee Dimitroff said Public Works would continue its program to remove low hanging and dead branches throughout the Village. Tree trimming will take place soon for three days at \$2,800/day.

C. Finance – Pete Connolly

No report.

D. Administration – Emily Miller

Trustee Miller stated she, Trustee Bevente, IT consultant Charlie Klemm, and Clerk Engstrom met with AT&T to reduce costs to Village Hall, increase speed to the Police Dept, and explore the possibility of having both Village Hall and Police Dept. in the new building.

E. Development/Historic and Rural Preservation – Ed Hull

Trustee Hull explained Eminent Domain, saying it is a power given to government to take private property to change to public use. The State of Illinois has given the power to other units of government, but one unit of government may not take property by eminent domain or condemnation owned by other units of government.

F. Building & Zoning – Gary Figurski

Trustee Figurski has been working with Mike Gricus to draft a job description for a zoning officer.

G. Parks – Emily Miller

No report.

H. Technology – Guy Bevente

Trustee Bevente reported the following: 1) ConsultNet sent a cyber security pop quiz to Village Hall staff; all aced the test. 2) The Village did not receive Round 3 Broadband Grant money from the State but is automatically put into Round 4. There is a prequalification process for Round 4 and AT&T has applied on behalf of the Village. 3) He reviewed the social media policy, saying the full policy is online and the Village has a right to remove slanderous, uncivil, libelous content. If content is removed, the village must log it. 4) He discussed the contract hire with NFC solutions for the systems analyst position.

1. Contractor Hire for Business Systems Analyst Position

Trustee Bevente provided a memo hiring Saloni Shah through NFC, not to exceed 20 hours/week and has been included in the budget. Attorney Wilson has reviewed the contract.

Trustee Bevente made the motion to hire Saloni Shah according to the contract. Seconded by Trustee Hull.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Trustees Bevente, Dimitroff, Figurski, Hull, Miller – Five (5)

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Connolly – One (1)

Motion passed 5-0.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Figurski made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Hull and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Engstrom, Clerk

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