

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

**May 19, 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 – Seven (7)

Absent: None

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

Public Present via Webinar: Elaine Bevente,
Michelle & Peter Mourousias (listed twice)

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. APPROVAL OF REMOTE PARTICIPATION AND VOTING BY TRUSTEE

None.

V. REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND STAFF

A. PLAN COMMISSION

Attorney Freeman said the May 11 Plan Commission meeting included two Public Hearings; one to amend hens, coops, and pens, and one to regulate reconstruction of destroyed buildings. Resident Camryn Spiller and her attorney testified to the chicken coop. The Plan Commission unanimously approved the proposed hens, coops and pens ordinance. The Public Hearing on reconstruction of destroyed buildings was also unanimously approved by the Plan Commission. Attorney Freeman will draft the ordinances for the next Board meeting. The Plan Commission will discuss the Comprehensive Plan at its June 8 meeting.

B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report.

C. ENGINEERING

No report.

D. PARK COMMISSION

Trustee Miller said the Park Commission will meet next week. The Commission requested to spend not-to-exceed \$200 for native plants and mulch to be put in Misty's Meadow. The Commission will update the Barbara Dunham Dole park sign and are seeking solutions for signs that are harder to maintain.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes May 5, 2026 – Open Session

B. Prairie State Water Systems-Not to Exceed \$3,000 (Cap abandoned well & associated County fees)

C. Authorization for Destruction of Verbatim Record of Closed Meetings(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:) 10/15/2024

Trustee Bevente made the motion to establish the Consent Agenda, seconded by Trustee Dimitroff and passed by unanimous Voice Vote

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Trustee Dimitroff.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

VII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None.

VIII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Ord. 26-05; Plat of Vacation & Dedication of Easement (34W741 Country Club Road)

Trustee Miller made the motion to approve Ord. 26-05, Plat of Vacation & Dedication of Easement (34W741 Country Club Road.) Seconded by Trustee Connolly.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion passed 6-0.

IX. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Clerk's Report – Patti Engstrom

Clerk Engstrom reported the Wayne Window Spring Edition was delivered last week and WHPS hung the flags on Army Trail Road.

B. Treasurer's Report – Howard Levine

1. Retaining Selden Fox for FY 2026 Audit

Treasurer Levine said the proposed Selden Fox engagement letter is for the 2026 Audit. He noted April Financials will be on the next agenda.

Trustee Connolly made the motion to approve retaining Selden Fox for the Fiscal Year 2026 Audit. Seconded by Trustee Miller.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Trustee Bevente – One (1)

Motion passed 5-0-1.

C. President's Report – Eileen Phipps

President Phipps reported that she attended the DMMC press conference held at the Elmhurst City Hall with 23 other mayors expressing opposition to the Governor's current BUILD legislation. The Roselle Council President asked for a place at the table to draft meaningful legislation and not the one-size-fits-all approach currently being used. The event was covered by ABC and FOX news and received a mention on evening news programs. Chief Roberts posted it on the Police Facebook page. President Phipps encouraged residents to reach out to their legislators.

D. Village Attorney's Report – David Freeman

No report.

E. Village Administrator – Tim Roberts

Village Administrator Roberts reported the following: 1) The cell booster installed in the Public Works building now allows employees to make and receive calls. 2) PW is waiting for warmer weather to paint the lamp posts on Army Trail Road. 3) PW added red and green strobe lights on the mower for better safety and visibility. 4) Admin. Roberts met with Mike Gricus. Mike is using a 6-year-old laptop donated to the Village by State Farm. Trustee Bevente will help secure a new laptop. 5) After a six-hour process to gather information and review several months' building permits, Mike submitted info for the ISO (Insurance Service Organization) rating which will determine insurance premiums for the residents. The State wants at least a number six out of 10; with Mike's multiple certifications, the Village has typically ranked three out of 10. As Director of B&Z, TPI will continue to do inspections and Mike will focus on more complex issues.

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) On May 6, the Department assisted St. Charles' traffic enforcement detail, issued 10 tickets, four for cell phone use. 2) Chief Roberts was Treasurer for MERIT for several years but recently stepped away from Merit. He detailed the Village's ability to use the program. 3) May 12 the Department played games at Wayne Elementary School. 4) May 20 is the last day of school; he cautioned drivers to be aware of children on streets over summer. 5) The Department will attend the Mooseheart Memorial May 20. 6) It is the first day for the new CSO. She lives nearby, has experience with McHenry County animal control, and is bi-lingual, all of which will come in handy in Wayne. Chief feels she will be a good fit for the Department and the Village.

President Phipps asked if there have been any incidents of E-bikes in the Village; Chief replied there have been a couple but not to the levels of other towns. Wayne's E-bike issues occur mostly near the Prairie Path and Weber & Pearson.

Police Dept. Stats for April 2026: Dispatched Calls 388; Motor Assists 35; Accidents 4; House Watches 169; Traffic Stops 271; Citations 225.

B. Public Works – Mike Dimitroff

Trustee Dimitroff had no report. Clerk Engstrom noted Public Works cleaned ceiling lights in Village Hall and the Board room, removing all dead bugs, and expressed the appreciation of staff for the clean light fixtures.

C. Finance – Pete Connolly

Trustee Connolly said he hopes to have updates on personnel in the next couple weeks.

D. Administration – Karen Kaluzsa

None.

E. Development/Historic and Rural Preservation – Ed Hull

None.

F. Building & Zoning – Ed Hull

Trustee Hull reported he met again with Mike Gricus. Mike is going to work on the Village fee schedule to make sure the Department and Village is not caught in the red with TPI doing inspections. The Village does not want to make money, just break even. Scanning is being done in the Department, then sent to Mike by digital documentation and retention to help streamline the process. Mike recommends a Zoning Review for many residents proposing new builds. Jean is doing an excellent job in B&Z Admin.

G. Parks – Emily Miller

No report.

H. Technology – Guy Bevente

Trustee Bevente said not much has changed from AT&T; Comcast is caught in the BEAD Program at the State level. Trustee Bevente met with our T-Fiber contact last week. She shared that plans for Wayne remain as originally outlined, but progress is slowed by some differences between T-Fiber and the city of Hanover Park. Trustee Bevente is monitoring that and will provide future updates on any impact to our plans.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XIV. APPROVAL OF SALARY AND BENEFITS AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Dimitroff made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Bevente and passed by unanimous Voice Vote. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Engstrom, Village Clerk

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