



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Village Board Special Meeting
Monday, November 28, 2022
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Galligan Board Room

A. Call to Order – 7:01PM

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Upon roll call by Clerk Cosby, President Senak, and Trustees Christiansen, Fasules, Kalinich, Payne, Gould, and Thompson answered “Present.”

Also in attendance: Village Manager Franz, Assistant Village Manager Rodman, Village Attorney Mathews, Public Works Director Buckley, Finance Director Noller, Community Development Director Scott, Assistant Finance Director Brankin, Economic Development Coordinator Hannah, Public Library Director Bussey, Police Chief Norton, and Fire Chief Clark.

D. Audience Participation

No audience participation.

E. Consent Agenda - The following items are considered routine business by the Village Board and will be approved in a single vote in the form listed below:

RESULTS:	APPROVED [5 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Payne [Items 1 & 2; 4 - 11]
SECONDER	Trustee Kalinich
AYES	Payne, Kalinich, Gould, Thompson, Fasules
NAYS	

Village Manager Franz presented items 1-13 on the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Christiansen recused herself from voting on items 1 and 2 as well as items 4 through 11 due to a conflict of interest.

President Senak invited two restaurant owners to share their plans for their new restaurant concepts. Made In Italy owner Angelo Cavallino presented redesign plans for the expansion of the restaurant into the old florist shop.

504 Kitchen owner, Sylvia Xim'enez, presented plans for rebuilding the space, including improvements to be made to the property. She pointed out that the plan retains the historic features of the building while modernizing it. She also gave a brief biography of the head chef that will run 504 Kitchen and expressed her appreciation and thanks to the Village.

- 1) Appoint Trustee Fasules as Trustee Liaison to the Glen Ellyn Fire Company Board (Village Manager Franz)
- 2) Agreement between the Village and the Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Company (Village Manager Franz)

Vince Griffin, resident of Glen Ellyn and former firefighter, presented his concerns with the agreement and suggested it be tabled to review these issues before approval. He believed that since the Fire Department is funded by taxes, the agreement should be better for the residents. He also felt that the agreement includes unmeasurable goals and not enough accountability.

President Senak stated that health and safety is a high priority for the Village and gave examples of this. He and added that the volunteer aspect of the Fire Company has saved the Village money, as well as lives. He expressed his thanks to the Fire Company on behalf of the residents.

President Senak added that current conditions demand that the funding source be changed so that the Fire Company is able to continue its excellent work. He also reaffirmed that the Board is overseeing these changes with the best interest of the residents in mind.

President Senak said that work on this agreement is not finished. Its goal is to treat the Fire Company like any other department in the Village as far as accountability, and to adjust its operation as needed.

Trustee Payne thanked Trustee Fasules for his work on the negotiation of the agreement. President Senak added that Trustee Fasules will be Trustee Liaison to ensure accountability and open communication.

Trustee Gould clarified that the Agreement is open to change going forward and can be modified or cancelled as seen fit.

Trustee Christiansen added that she is very aware of what it's like to get a call in the middle of the night, or at other times, and she is grateful to the Fire Company and their families.

- 3) Downtown Retail Interior Improvement Award in the Amount of \$30,000 to Made In Italy at 476 Forest Avenue, to be expensed to the Central Business District TIF Fund (Economic Development Coordinator Hannah)

RESULTS:	APPROVED [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Kalinich
SECONDER	Trustee Thompson
AYES	Kalinich, Thompson, Payne, Christiansen, Gould, Fasules
NAYS	

- 4) Ordinance No. 6991, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the amount of \$69,800 for the Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 12 (Finance Director Noller)
- 5) Ordinance No. 6992, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$45,000 for the Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 13 (Finance Director Noller)
- 6) Ordinance No. 6993, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$110,000 for Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 14 (Finance Director Noller)
- 7) Ordinance No. 6994, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$5,200 for Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 15 (Finance Director Noller)
- 8) Ordinance No. 6995, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$3,000 for Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 16 (Finance Director Noller)
- 9) Ordinance No. 6996, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$800 for Village of Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 17 (Finance Director Noller)
- 10) Ordinance No. 6997, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$110,405 for Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 18 (Finance Director Noller)
- 11) Ordinance No. 6998, An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the 2022 Tax Levy Year in the Amount of \$77,434 for Glen Ellyn Special Service Area Number 19 (Finance Director Noller)
- 12) Approve Revised Pension Funding Policy for the Glen Ellyn Police Pension Fund (Finance Director Noller)

RESULTS:	APPROVED [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Kalinich
SECONDER	Trustee Thompson
AYES	Kalinich, Thompson, Payne, Christiansen, Gould, Fasules
NAYS	

- 13) Ord. No. 7001 An Ordinance Approving the Exterior Appearance of Building Renovation for Five-0-Four Kitchen Located at 504 Crescent Boulevard, Glen Ellyn (Community Development Director Scott)

RESULTS:	APPROVED [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Kalinich
SECONDER	Trustee Thompson
AYES	Kalinich, Thompson, Payne, Christiansen, Gould, Fasules
NAYS	

F. Second Reading and Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget (Presented by Finance Director Noller) (Trustee Payne)

- 1) Motion to approve on second reading, Ordinance No. 6999, an Ordinance adopting the annual Village of Glen Ellyn expenditure budget in the net amount of \$81,783,134, including the compensation plan, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.

RESULTS:	APPROVED [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Payne
SECONDER	Trustee Christiansen
AYES	Payne, Christiansen, Gould, Thompson, Fasules, Kalinich
NAYS	

Finance Director Noller reviewed the Village budgeting process to-date and presented items in the budget that have been changed in the General Fund, Fire Services fund, Capital Project Fund, and Village Links fund. He then gave an overview of these changes by comparing the original versus proposed budget, as well as cash reserves.

Finance Director Noller reviewed increases in the Village property tax, water & sewer, and refuse.

Trustee Kalinich asked for clarification of the Fire Company administrative assistant position and the budget change for this.

Trustee Kalinich stated that she is not eager to tap into the cash reserve without deeper conversation. That said she will support cash reserve measures proposed for this budget.

Trustee Payne followed up with his thoughts on the cash reserve.

Trustee Christiansen stated that she sees this as a compromise budget and commends everyone on their work on this budget to make it one that everyone supports and the residents can afford.

Trustee Gould suggested that a mini overview should be prepared for the residents to explain the abatement increases in 2023 and what the rate in 2024 would be.

With Trustee Gould's comment, Finance Director Noller began his presentation on the abatement/property tax cycle, reviewing the process to-date. Finance Director Noller reviewed the typical increase in property taxes for the typical homeowner, and where the property tax dollar goes. He also pointed out the Library levy is included.

Finance Director Noller reviewed the tax cap and its limits and presented the proposed property tax levy and how it breaks down to the general and capital budgets. Finance Director Noller talked about the proposed abatement and explained how it would work and then gave an overview of the current debt service and the bonds involved. Finance Director Noller showed a breakdown of the components of the 2022 levy, with and without the abatements.

Finance Director Noller then answered, in detail, how the abatements will work going forward. Trustee Gould asked if the Village requests the same amount next year, would the effective rate be an increase because of the abatement for this year. There was further discussion of this "what if" scenario.

Trustee Thompson stated his concerns about this public "safety budget," with its many increases for fire, police, EMS, and public works. He believes this was structurally necessary but that perhaps it is not being funded correctly and wondered if this budget entirely solves the funding issues.

Trustee Fasules agreed with Trustee Thompson and added that it was overdue to right size the Police Department and applauded the Board for doing this.

President Senak stated that this budget has been the biggest challenge he has seen at the Village due to inflation and other pressures. He added that taking a harder look at the budget was work well done and allowed the budget to come in under expectations.

President Senak thanked the Village department heads and their staff and emphasized the approved budget could not have happened without their perseverance. He added that it is a great illustration of what government should be: cooperative and challenging, compromising, and truly a group effort.

Village Manager Franz added his thanks to everyone for their work on the budget.

G. Second Reading and Adoption of the 2022 Property Tax Levy for the Village of Glen Ellyn and Glen Ellyn Public Library (Presented by Finance Director Noller) (Trustee Fasules)

- 1) Motion to approve on second reading Ordinance No. 7000, an Ordinance for the

levy and assessment of taxes in the amount of \$15,778,694 for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023, of the Village of Glen Ellyn and the Glen Ellyn Public Library.

RESULTS:	APPROVED [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Fasules
SECONDER	Trustee Thompson
AYES	Fasules, Thompson, Gould, Christiansen, Kalinich, Payne
NAYS	

H. Reminders

- 1) Village Board Regular Meeting December 12, 2022 at 7 pm

Village Manager Franz announced the Town Hall meeting date and time for the Civic Betterment Election for Board Trustees and Library Trustees and added that more information can be found on their website.

I. Adjourn – 7:58PM

Mover: Trustee Kalinich; Second: Trustee Gould. Unanimous vote to adjourn.