



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Regular Village Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 28, 2024
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Galligan Board Room

A. Call to Order – 7:17 PM

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

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

Also in attendance: Village Manager Franz, Assistant Village Manager/Community Development Director Rodman, Finance Director Brankin, Public Works Director Buckley, Economic Development Coordinator Hannah, Management Analyst Irizarry, and Police Chief Norton.

D. Audience Participation

There was no off-agenda audience participation.

President Senak spoke about a meeting with Congresswoman Delia Ramirez that included Village Manager Franz and Trustee Thompson as well. He said that through her efforts, Glen Ellyn is slated to receive \$2.8 million in Federal funding to rehabilitate the McKee House to a Native American Cultural Center. He added that the person that has truly spearheaded this project was Trustee Thompson and requested a round of applause for him to acknowledge his efforts, thanking him for his time as well.

Trustee Thompson pointed out that the funding has not been rewarded yet, just requested, but to look for it in fiscal year 2025 in the Federal budget. He added that this project is one of fifteen in the Congressional District requesting funding and that everyone involved is excited.

President Senak said that the staff went above and beyond in submitting the request for funding and they deserved a round of applause as well, which was given.

Trustee Kalinich commented that this announcement was very appropriate for Historic Preservation Month.

Public Comment from Police Chief Norton regarding the importance of cancer screening. Police Chief Norton issued a public comment regarding the importance of cancer screening, relaying his personal story with basal cell carcinoma/melanoma and how screening was critical to his recovery.

Police Chief Norton spoke of an idea which led him to obtain sunscreen dispensers for installation in the locker rooms at the station as well as the purchase of bucket hats to protect police officers and staff from sun exposure even further. He closed by saying if you have a pimple that won't heal, it's not a pimple, go to the doctor.

President Senak replied by saying that the Village missed Chief Norton and that he is one of its greatest resources. He added that the sunscreen and bucket hat program is going to be expanded to all Village employees, particularly Public Works and Village Links.

E. Presentation

- 1) President Senak honored Memorial Day and the hosting of the Vietnam Wall Traveling Memorial exhibit by the Glen Ellyn American Legion Hall.

Veteran (and former Village President) Mike Formento addressed the Board by thanking them on behalf of the American Legion. He then spoke about the process of bringing the Vietnam Wall Traveling Memorial to the Village and his appreciation to everyone who helped make it happen. He said that the spirit of the community was brought out by all of the organizations that supported the event. He then spoke about a welcoming event and invited the entire Board. He extended an invitation for everyone to come out and see the Memorial Wall.

President Senak emphasized Mr. Formento's involvement in bringing the Vietnam Wall Traveling Memorial to the Village and thanked him for his efforts.

- 2) Alliance Quarterly Update (Dawn Smith, Executive Director)

Executive Director Smith presented the Alliance Quarterly Update to the Board, including a recap of website activity, social media, newsletter, and event calendar for the year. She also spoke about upcoming activities that are planned to promote Glen Ellyn as a destination for visitors.

Regarding the Cicadas on Parade event, President Senak asked if the sculptures would be available for purchase by residents. Executive Director Smith replied that there had been some debate, explaining that in September they will be on display at the library. The Alliance is still being discussing how many sculptures may be auctioned off for charity.

- 3) Historic Preservation Commission Annual Awards 2024 (Penn French, HPC Chair)

HPC Chair, Penn French, presented the Annual Awards to winning homeowners. He said it was the 22nd year for the Awards with 109 winners, including this year's homeowners. He recognized and congratulated the winners in the four categories, giving details on each project that made them stand out for recognition.

Winners, if present, were given the opportunity to speak and thank everyone involved in their home project.

President Senak commented that the Village needs more builders like Pete Ladesic who work with homeowners to save homes instead of tearing them down and building new ones.

President Senak thanked HPC Chair French, and the entire Commission, for the

great work they do to preserve the quaint and charming feel of the community.

4) Fourth of July Events (Police Chief Norton)

Police Chief Norton, as the Chairman of the 4th of July Committee, talked about last year's event and then went into plans for this year's event. Due to the Streetscape construction, the parade would be at the College of DuPage again. He hoped that it would be downtown next year once the Streetscape construction is finished. He added that the fireworks will be held at Lake Ellyn this year and that the fireworks lost money last year but the committee is trying to turn this around.

Police Chief Norton said that the Grand Marshal this year is retiring Village Attorney Greg Mathews, in honor of his service to the Village.

President Senak asked if there would be enough candy. Trustee Kalinich said she would be glad to coordinate the candy supply again this year.

Trustee Kalinich asked about the correct website for these events, which was given as glenellyn4thofjuly.org. A big thanks was given to Chief Norton by Dawn Smith for all of his work throughout the years, to which the Board and meeting attendees gave him a round of applause.

F. 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 [6 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Kalinich [Item 3]
SECONDER:	Trustee Thompson
AYES:	Kalinich, Thompson, Christiansen, Fasules, Gould, Simon
NAYS:	

- 1) Village Board February 12, 2024 Closed Executive Session Minutes
This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Trustee Gould for further discussion before voting.

Trustee Gould stated that she had requested the audio recording of the meeting and had not had a chance to listen to it, so she would like move the vote to another meeting to give her time to check the recording against the minutes.

The item was pulled for a later meeting to be determined. No vote was taken.

- 2) Ordinance 8006-VC, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter Three (Fire Department Service Fee) of Title Five (Fire Regulations) of the Village Code of Glen Ellyn, Illinois (Finance Director Brankin)

RESULTS:	APPROVED [5 to 0]
MOVER:	Trustee Gould [Item 2] one year with no automatic increases
SECONDER:	Trustee Kalinich
AYES:	Gould, Kalinich, Thompson, Fasules, Simon
NAYS:	

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Trustee Christiansen to allow for a separate vote so that it would not include her. Trustee Christiansen then recused herself due to a conflict of interest.

Trustee Gould asked for consideration of amending the motion so that the automatic increase is built in so that there is some incentive to evaluate the shifting of this fee off the Village Services bill to that of property taxes. She felt that if the fee is automatically built-in, the Board will come back in another thirteen years and it won't really be looked at. She added that she felt that is where it really belongs, the same way we pay for the Police Department, by a levy on the property.

President Senak asked Trustee Gould if she was moving to approve, with the addition of her suggested modification, to eliminate the annual automatic increase. Trustee Gould replied, yes.

Trustee Kalinich commented that she had looked back at her notes and thought that Trustee Gould's suggestion was actually what the Board had agreed to – to proceed forward with one year and then revisit it. She also spoke about the part of the conversation that had to do with the Consumer Price Index.

It was agreed that the amendment would be to approve for one year with no automatic increases.

3) Motion to authorize the Village Manager to execute a License Agreement with Nemec Brothers Pizza for an Outdoor Café at 542 Crescent Boulevard (Economic Development Coordinator Hannah)

G. Paramedic/Firefighter Service Contract with Metro Paramedic Services, Inc. (Fire Chief Clark) (Trustee Fasules)

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

1) Motion to authorize a Paramedic/Firefighter Service Contract with Metro Paramedic Services, Inc. to be expensed to the Fire Service Fund

H. Purchase and Sale Agreement for 677 Roosevelt Road (Manager Franz) (Trustee Thompson)

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

- 1) Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 8007, An Ordinance authorizing the approval of a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Go Glen Ellyn Two, LLC concerning the property commonly known as 677 Roosevelt Road, Glen Ellyn, Illinois

Assistant Village Manager Rodman spoke about the Roosevelt Road hotel properties and plans for selling the parcels. She recapped the history of the property since the Village had purchased it and the status of the sales of both the east and west parcels.

Assistant Village Manager Rodman then focused on the east parcel, which was up for approval in this meeting, giving a timeline of the Purchase and Sale Agreement terms.

Assistant Village Manager Rodman summed up the financial impact of the property sale as well as the next steps. A representative from Go Glen Ellyn, the proposed purchaser, was available to answer questions. The Go Glen Ellyn representative addressed the Board about the opportunity that this purchase brings to unite the parcels that he owns. He thanked Village Manager Franz and Economic Development Coordinator Hannah for their help in the process.

President Senak thanked the representative from Go Glen Ellyn for the investment in Glen Ellyn and that he was looking forward to seeing the vision that Go Glen Ellyn has for the property.

Trustee Kalinich asked about the “wish list” that some community members had for the property, and if any of those businesses submitted had been shared because it might be helpful for the purchaser to know the types of businesses residents would like to see. The representative from Go Glen Ellyn replied that they were open to any suggestion or help.

Trustee Kalinich added that it has been a long process but she felt positive about the outcome and that the Village has two great partners to work with. She was also very pleased that it was not a purchase made by the Village where money was lost, because it was important to the Board not to lose money when the process began. She wrapped up by thanking everyone involved in the process.

President Senak echoed Trustee Kalinich’s feeling and added that the people that really did the heavy lifting were at the staff level and frankly, the Trustees, adding that it could not have happened without each of the Board members and he looked forward to seeing the results of their diligence.

I. Other Business

President Senak thanked Trustee Simon for filling in the prior week for him. He understood that a discussion about expense reports took place and he understood that the Village would revert back to the prior practice of detailed completion. Village Manager Franz confirmed his

understanding.

J. Reminders

- 1) Village Board Workshop June 17, 2024 at 7 pm
- 2) Village Board Meeting June 24, 2024 at 7 pm

K. Adjourn – 8:25 P.M.

Adjourn to Closed Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, Section 2.06, ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) without returning to open session

Trustee Simon moved and Trustee Christiansen seconded to adjourn and go into Closed Executive Session. Unanimous vote of approval.