



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Special Village Board Workshop
Monday, September 30, 2024
7:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 301

A. Call to Order – 7:00 P.M.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

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

Also in attendance: Village Manager Franz, Village Attorney Stephanides, Public Works Director Buckley, Public Works Assistant Engineer Peebles, Finance Director Brankin, Community Development Director Henaghan, Professional Engineer Daubert, and Police Chief Norton.

Capital Improvements Commission Chairperson Szymanski was also present.

D. Audience Participation

There was no off-agenda audience participation.

E. Presentation

- 1) 2025-2029 CIP and Public Works Engineering CY2025 Budget Items (Professional Engineer Daubert)

Professional Engineer Daubert presented budget items for CY2025. He began by highlighting the budgeting process. He gave an overview of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and its 5-year projection.

Professional Engineer Daubert continued by reviewing the Capital Improvement Plan’s assumptions, highlighting grants, street rehab programs, and a \$5M general obligation bond issuance.

President Senak asked about repaving Park Avenue and how far this would go toward repaving. Professional Engineer Daubert replied, adding that it would be nice to partner with the County to repave all the way to Butterfield Road.

President Senak asked if Park Avenue would be widened, perhaps to include a bike lane. Professional Engineer Daubert replied yes, it could be part of the preliminary planning.

President Senak asked about the funding of debt service connected to the \$5M general obligation bond issuance. Professional Engineer Daubert replied. President Senak asked a follow-up question about funding. Finance Director Brankin replied.

Trustee Gould asked about the \$13M in Capital Fund Debt Service and if the food and beverage tax would cover this. Professional Engineer Daubert replied. Village Manager Franz added information on Village bonds.

Professional Engineer Daubert showed a snapshot of Capital Projects Fund (CPF) balances and spoke about the major contributors to the 2025-2029 fund balance.

Trustee Thompson asked if traffic signal modernization was the Village's responsibility. Professional Engineer Daubert replied that the Village shares in maintenance but the State owns the equipment. He added that the decorative parts of the signals, and any sidewalk or other decorative elements, are the responsibility of the Village.

Trustee Thompson asked about the bricks in the sidewalks and how that fits in with the State's responsibility. Professional Engineer Daubert replied. Trustee Thompson asked about the \$2.7M for traffic signal modernization. Professional Engineer Daubert replied, explaining how the dollars are distributed amongst the signals that need upgrading. Discussion continued.

President Senak asked the total cost of the Metra Station plan at this time. Professional Engineer Daubert replied with an updated cost estimate. President Senak asked how much would be funded from outside. Professional Engineer Daubert replied, adding information about possible grants that might be realized. Discussion continued about how to meet funding goals to minimize the amount for which the Village will be responsible.

Trustee Gould asked if there were places that do not have sidewalks that could get them. Professional Engineer Daubert replied.

Trustee Simon asked about a specific number on the CPF balances chart. Professional Engineer Daubert reviewed the chart again. Trustee Thompson asked a follow-up question.

President Senak asked how the traffic signal modernization would benefit the Village. Professional Engineer Daubert replied that the mechanical parts are old in the current signals and the cost to repair has greatly increased. Professional Engineer Daubert added that they hoped to salvage what they could and only replace only what is necessary.

Trustee Simon asked what was the usual lifespan of traffic signal equipment. Professional Engineer Daubert replied, adding that the current equipment was past that lifespan. Trustee Thompson asked if the equipment at each intersection works independently from other signals. Professional Engineer Daubert replied, giving details on interconnectivity of signals in the Village. Professional Engineer Daubert said that they were planning on replacing signals one at a time starting in 2026.

Professional Engineer Daubert continued by addressing the high density of lead water service issues with the Wingate Basin Area Streets. He showed a map of the area reflecting the water service material inventory to date. Discussion continued about the service lines, the replacement process, and who would be responsible for the cost of replacing lines to the home with copper. Village Manager Franz pointed out that the lead line replacement will be discussed in further detail in November.

Trustee Kalinich asked if the lead line discussion in November could include the experiences of neighboring communities. The reply was that it would.

Professional Engineer Daubert reviewed the Water and Sewer Fund balance, highlighting

the major contributors: water main replacement and the lead service line replacement mandate (not including the Wingate Basin area).

Professional Engineer Daubert summarized the Capital Improvement Plan, highlighting the items of particular interest.

Professional Engineer Daubert stated that the 2025 Capital Plan budget would be \$22.1M. President Senak asked what the number was last year. Professional Engineer Daubert did not have the exact number, but felt it was close to the same. Public Works Director Buckley gave the actual number, which was slightly more than the 2025 budget.

Professional Engineer Daubert reviewed the 2025 roadway projects. He also showed a map of the 2025 CIP project areas. Trustee Simon asked if there was a certain number of miles to rehab each year, and how that is determined. Professional Engineer Daubert replied. Trustee Fasules asked if this would keep the Village on the 20-year cycle. Professional Engineer Daubert replied yes.

Professional Engineer Daubert continued by reviewing numbers for repaving asphalt as well as concrete. Professional Engineer Daubert added information and budgets for streetscape improvements and sidewalk repair work that need to be done in 2025. The benefits of the sidewalk sawing repair was discussed.

Professional Engineer Daubert reviewed the 2025 major water and sewer projects and their related costs. The issues connected to residents' sewer line replacement and repairs was discussed. President Senak asked if low interest loans could be offered to residents to make getting water and sewer more affordable. Professional Engineer Daubert replied.

The next summary presented by Professional Engineer Daubert was the 2025 major engineering design projects, including engineering for future projects, the train station/underpass, traffic signal improvements design, and State traffic signal installation at Route 53 & Surrey Drive. Professional Engineer Daubert emphasized that the estimated costs were preliminary.

Trustee Simon asked what land acquisition would be needed for the underpass project. Professional Engineer Daubert explained the process, adding that the land would probably be leased.

President Senak asked about the architectural rendering within the train station/underpass item. Professional Engineer Daubert replied that there was an interest in seeing more options, as well as 3-D modeling of the options.

Professional Engineer Daubert then reviewed 2025 miscellaneous initiatives and expenditures.

Professional Engineer Daubert ended by saying that the Capital Improvement Commission (CIC) did review this budget and were financially supportive of the 2025 plan. President Senak thanked the CIC for their time and effort put into the 2025 budget. Capital Improvements Commission Chairperson Szymanski gave his thoughts on the process.

Trustee Gould asked if the budget was on the website. Finance Director Brankin replied that it will be online this week and anyone on the Board who would like a hard copy can receive one.

President Senak thanked everyone involved in preparing the budget.

F. Reminders

G. Adjourn – 8:30 P.M.

Mover: Trustee Simon; Second: Trustee Thompson. Unanimous vote to adjourn.