



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Village Board Workshop
Monday, April 21, 2025
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, Acting President Simon and Trustees Christiansen, Fasules, Kalinich, and Thompson answered “Present.” Trustee Gould was absent.

Also in attendance were Village Manager Franz, Assistant Village Manager Irizarry, Village Attorney Stephanides, Public Works Director Buckley, Public Works Assistant Director Hubsky, Finance Director Brankin, Community Development Director Henaghan, Professional Engineer Daubert, Police Chief Norton, and Fire Chief Clark. Finance Commission Chair Goodman and Capital Improvements Commission Chair Szymanski were also present.

D. Audience Participation

There was no off-agenda audience participation.

E. Taft Avenue Roadway Improvements

1) Discussion of Taft Avenue and Exmoor Avenue Roadway Improvements

Professional Engineer Daubert gave the Board an update on the road improvements to date. He started with background information and conceptual improvements, concluding next steps.

The Board asked follow-up questions regarding the presentation. The resulting discussion included ideas on exploring design options.

Norris Eber, resident representing Kingsbrook Homeowners Association (HOA), requested involvement of the HOA in the improvements as they are finalized. He also gave insight on the current use of truck traffic and street parking in the area. Discussion ensued.

Fire Chief Clark gave his view on the parking spaces available on Taft Avenue for the firefighters as well as traffic flow issues for the fire response vehicles. Police Chief Norton added comments.

F. Bicycles, Low-speed Electric Bicycles, and Personal Mobility Devices Use

1) Review and Discussion of Draft Ordinance to Regulate the Use of Bicycles, Low-Speed Electric Bicycles, and Personal Mobility Devices in the Village

Village Manager Franz asked Police Chief Norton to give a high-level review of the draft ordinance to date. Police Chief Norton gave his thoughts on the draft, taking questions from the Board. Discussion continued about what the ordinance should try to achieve. Village Attorney Stephanides reviewed the legal aspect of passing an ordinance.

Kevin Lang, resident, addressed his concerns regarding the draft ordinance and its references to e-bikes and bicycles.

Bob Deitch, resident and scooter rider, gave his opinion about the draft ordinance.

Julie Evans, resident, asked if use of mobile phones was prohibited in the ordinance. The reply was yes, that handheld phones are not permitted per the ordinance. She also expressed her safety concerns about riding in the Central Business District, as well as helmet use.

G. Lead Service Line Replacement Discussion

1) Discussion of Lead Service Line Replacement Plan and Water/Sewer Fees

Finance Director Brankin asked Public Works Assistant Director Hubsy to give an overview of the replacement efforts to date, including current State and Federal requirements and known information about water lines in the Village. Finance Director Brankin then reviewed the cost of replacing lines in the currently known situation. He also spoke about how the line replacements will be paid for and the recommendation of the Finance Commission. He concluded with decision points that need to be addressed by the Board in order to move forward.

The Board directed questions to both Finance Director Brankin and Public Works Assistant Director Hubsy regarding line replacement. Discussion continued around these questions that included the Board and staff. Staff left the meeting with direction from the Board.

Jane Stroh, resident, stated that as a resident, she would be OK with the fee being implemented to help cover the cost of necessary line replacements.

H. Reminders

- 1) Village Board Meeting, April 28, 2025 at 7 pm
- 2) Village Board Meeting Monday, May 12, 2025 at 7 pm

Trustee Thompson asked a question about street stripe painting of the roadway near St. Petronille Church and School. Staff replied that they would look into the issue.

I. Adjourn – 9:25 P.M.

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