



Minutes
Village of Glen Ellyn
Village Board Workshop Meeting
Monday, September 15, 2025
6:00 PM
Glen Ellyn Civic Center, Room 301

A. Call to Order – 6:03 P.M.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

Upon roll call by Clerk Cosby, President Burket and Trustees Bhagwakar, Kalinich, Simon, and Thompson answered “Present.” Trustee Christiansen was absent. Also present were Village Manager Franz, Assistant Village Manager Irizarry, Village Attorney Stephanides, Finance Director Brankin, Public Works Director Hubsy, Community Development Director Henaghan, Professional Engineer Daubert, and Police Chief Norton.

D. Audience Participation

There was no off-agenda audience participation.

E. Sustainability Assessment

- 1) Presentation of Sustainability Baseline Draft Assessment by paleBLUEDot (Public Works Director Hubsy)

Public Works Director Hubsy introduced Ted Redmond with paleBLUEDot, who presented the Sustainability Baseline Assessment. He began with background on paleBLUEDot, and continued with an overview of the project, the planning process, and the intention of the Baseline Assessment document. Mr. Redmond continued by reviewing the document findings.

Trustee Kalinich asked for clarification regarding the stated cooling degree days. Mr. Redmond replied. Trustee Simon asked a follow-up question. Mr. Redmond replied.

Trustee Simon asked where nuclear energy fits in. Mr. Redmond replied.

Trustee Simon asked about census blocks. Mr. Redmond replied.

Trustee Simon asked if Mr. Redmond was familiar with micro forests. Mr. Redmond replied.

Mr. Redmond pointed out that each section concludes with strategic goals. He also stressed that this is a process document. He then reviewed the recommended preliminary goals, as well as future goals. He finished his presentation with Next Steps.

Trustee Kalinich asked if a city can be recognized as “electric vehicle community.” Mr. Redmond replied.

Trustee Bhagwakar asked about comments from the last workshop that were incorporated into the action areas. Mr. Redmond replied.

Trustee Kalinich asked whether the Environmental Commission had reviewed the documents. Christy Truitt, Environmental Commission Chairperson, offered the Commission’s participation to date. Discussion ensued, with Chairperson Truitt and Commissioner Kwiatkowsky adding to the conversation.

President Burket asked whether other municipalities have implemented this type of plan and what the financial impact has been. Mr. Redmond replied. Discussion ensued.

Matthew Jones, resident and Zoning Commission member, asked Mr. Redmond if recommendations could be made toward zoning issues as far as sustainability efforts. Mr. Redmond replied.

Mr. Redmond finished his presentation by talking about next steps and how to move these steps into specific actions. Discussion ensued.

F. CY2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

- 1) Presentation of Public Works Engineering Division 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan and 2026 Budget Items (Professional Engineer Daubert)

Village Manager Franz introduced the subject matter. Professional Engineer Daubert then presented the CIP and Budget, starting with an overview and assumptions of the Plan. He then spoke about the Capital Fund balances. Points were discussed in greater detail throughout the presentation.

Moving on to the Water & Sewer Fund, Finance Director Brankin added to the conversation. Public Works Director Hubsy gave details about the backup water system plan for the Village. Discussion continued.

Professional Engineer Daubert finished with a summary of the CIP. Finance Director Brankin spoke about the general obligation bond timeline.

Professional Engineer Daubert then reviewed the 2026 Capital Budget. Board members asked questions as he worked through the budget.

Norris Eber, resident, asked about funding for the proposed pedestrian tunnel. Professional Engineer Daubert replied. Discussion continued.

G. Reminders

- 1) Village Board Special Meeting, Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 5:30 pm
- 2) Village Board Meeting, Monday, September 22, 2025 at 7 pm

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I. Adjourn – 9:02 P.M.

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