

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (COW)
AUGUST 20, 2018

Board Members Present: President Jeff Walter, Trustees: Ken Anderson, Sue Filek, Bill Grabarek, Dave Gualdoni, Patricia Schuberg, Matt Wilson

Board Members Absent:

Staff Members Present: Village Administrator John Nevenhoven; Finance Director Doug Elder, Village Attorney Britz, Police Chief Nick Sikora; Public Works Supt Phil VanBogaert; Village Engineers Steve Dennison & Tim Weidner

Others Present: Residents Dan Kolzow, Elburn Herald Reporter Susan O'Neill

1. Call to Order – Mayor Walter called the meeting to order at 9:34 PM.
2. Roll Call – A roll call vote ensued.
3. Public Comment – None
4. Discussion
 - a. Discuss Historical Commission – As previously recommended, Trustee Grabarek and Village Admin Nevenhoven met with Mark VanKerkhoff, Kane County Development and Community Services Department Director. Rather than moving ahead now, VanKerkhoff suggested the Village research if there is sufficient interest in community. An IGA with Kane County was suggested and perhaps create an adhoc committee in the meantime. Grabarek will review County ordinances for possible use. There are some buildings worthy of preservation in the Village but it is premature to push forward at this point without further research and a feel for interest in the community. It was suggested we preserve at least one case of the “Sidewalks of Elburn” books.
 - b. Discuss Route 38 and Anderson Road Intersection – Tim Weidner from EEI’s Transportation Department was present to discuss options for funding. CMAP has issued a call for projects in January 2019. Perhaps the best chance of funding is thru Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors (KKOM) with a January 2020 timeline. More points are awarded for projects that are further along—which is the case for Elburn with the prior Anderson Road project(s). The intersection project is under \$5M and need to find other partners (Campton Hills, Campton Township, KDOT, IDOT). We should start thinking about reaching out to other entities to partner with on this multi-jurisdictional project. Nevenhoven will reach out to entities. Different funding options are possible—80/20% or 75/25%. There was discussion if funds would be recapturable when the northwest corner of Route 38 and Anderson Road is developed. Weidner thinks it may be possible because the parcel will increase traffic at the intersection. The same situation may apply to the southeast corner of the intersection. EEI will estimate costs. It is not known if additional right-of-way will have to be obtained. There was consensus from the Board to move forward. EEI will determine if CMAP or KKOM is the best option and will create a cost estimate and recapture possibilities. Mayor Walter will speak with Representative Wheeler about the possibility of this intersection qualifying for State emergency funding.
 - c. Discuss Changes to the Liquor Ordinance – Tastings – Nevenhoven explained the current liquor ordinance allows tastings for a \$20 fee for a five day period (per event). Staff time far exceeds the fee collected. After researching other communities, Nevenhoven recommends building tastings into the liquor license. For the sake of ease (for the Village and the vendor), would like to incorporate language into the appropriate licenses. In addition, the licensee must have the product on hand to sell and samples are without compensation. There was consensus from the Board to move forward with this. Nevenhoven will draft and report back to the Board.

- d. Discuss Strategic Plan – Nevenhoven gave an update on all categories and cited completed or ongoing projects for each category. These projects will be completed in 0-3 years.
- 5. Other Business – Mayor Walter stated someone expressed an interest in purchasing the Village-owned property south of the Public Works building. It was commented it would be nice to have the property back on the tax rolls. There are no future plans for the parcel other than garden plots— although it is not an ideal spot for garden plots. There was consensus from the Board to start the process (appraisal, etc.).

Mayor Walter said an inquiry was made regarding a possible exit from Blackberry Creek Subdivision (off of Wise) to a township road (Oakwood). Some residents asked if the Village would consider re-pursuing as they feel this particular corner of the subdivision is landlocked. Attorney Britz said residents on Oakwood were opposed to traffic from Blackberry Creek coming through their neighborhood. There was consensus from the Board to have a discussion about this with Blackberry Township.

- 6. Adjourn – Trustee Gualdoni moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Filek and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane McQuilkin
Village Clerk