

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (COW)
NOVEMBER 18, 2019

Board Members Present: President Jeff Walter, Trustees: Sue Filek, Bill Grabarek, Chris Mondl, Patricia Schuberg, Matt Wilson

Board Members Absent: Ken Anderson

Staff Members Present: Village Administrator John Nevenhoven; Finance Director Doug Elder, Village Attorney Bill Thomas, Police Chief Nick Sikora; Building Commissioner Tom Brennan; Public Works Supt Phil VanBogaert; Village Engineer Dave Burroughs

Others Present: Residents LeRoy Herra, Bruce Aderman, Elburn Herald Reporter Susan O'Neill

1. Call to Order – Mayor Walter called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM.
2. Roll Call – A roll call ensued.
3. Public Comment – None
4. Discuss:
 - a. Amending Section 874 - Solicitors – Chief Sikora stated this revision was discussed previously by the Board and is pertinent to residential only, not businesses. The Village Attorney has reviewed and the only change is related to ice cream solicitors. Approved solicitor permits are posted on the Village website if anyone would like to research permits granted. Solicitation violations can result in a citation and anyone with a concern should call 911 to have an officer dispatched. The Police Department offers free "no solicitors" signs that residents may post or they may create their own sign. There is a fee for a solicitor permit and (with the exception of ice cream vendors) pertains to solicitors who go door to door in residential neighborhoods. It was inquired if youth organizations must obtain permits. Chief Sikora said First Amendment-related organizations are exempt and the Village has never stopped/cited 501(c)3 organizations. A motion to approve and place on the next consent agenda was made by Schuberg and seconded by Filek. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mondl, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
 - b. 2020 Meeting Calendar – Village Admin Nevenhoven referred to the proposed calendar in tonight's packet. He advised the "fifth COW Monday" has been removed for 2020. For the most part, fifth COW Mondays were cancelled in the past which involves an administrative process. There was consensus to do away with the regularly scheduled fifth Mondays. If a special meeting is needed, the 48 hour advance notice procedure will be followed. Effective January 1, 2020, the start time of Village Board meetings will be at 7:00pm with the COW following at 7:15pm or immediately following. A motion to approve and move to the next consent agenda was made by Schuberg and seconded by Wilson. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mondl, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
 - c. Amending Section 220.03 – Meetings – This amendment is required to change the Village Board and COW meeting start times (see discussion under agenda item 4(b) above). A motion to approve and move to the next consent agenda was made by Schuberg and seconded by Wilson. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mondl, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
 - d. Employee Benefits Review – Finance Director Elder gave a brief presentation outlining all employee benefits for the coming year. There was consensus from the Board to carry on as presented.

5. Other Business – One of the gas stations in town approached the Village because they would like to have gaming machines in the gas station. In order to have gaming machines, a liquor license allowing consumption/serving onsite is required. There was consensus from the Board that gaming in gas stations should not be allowed.
6. Adjourn – Trustee Mondri moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. The motion was seconded by Trustee Filek and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane McQuilkin
Village Clerk