

MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF ELBURN BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
AUGUST 1, 2022  
AT ELBURN VILLAGE HALL

Board Members Present: President Jeff Walter, Trustees: Sue Filek, Bill Grabarek, Chris Mond, 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 Julie Morrison & Chris Walton

Others Present: Resident LeRoy Herra

1. Call to Order – Village President Jeff Walter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Trustee Filek led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call – A roll call ensued.
4. Public Comment, Awards & Presentations – None
5. Omnibus Agenda (Omnibus Vote) – All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine by the Village Board or were recommended unanimously by the Committee of the Whole and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Board Member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be removed from the Omnibus (Consent) Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

\*Minutes

*Village Board	July 18, 2022
*Committee of the Whole	July 18, 2022

A motion was made by Trustee Schuberg and seconded by Trustee Filek to approve the Omnibus Agenda. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

6. Mayor – Mayor Walter commented on the following:
  - a. Village Trustees will staff the Elburn Days ticket booth on Sunday, August 21, from 2:30-5:30pm.
  - b. The Village and Rep DeWitte will meet with IDOT Director on August 15 regarding Route 38. There was a fatality crash recently.
  - c. The Village of Campton Hills no longer has a contract with Campton Township for road services. Elburn and Campton Hills officials will meet tomorrow to see what can be done in the interim to help them out. The Board will be made aware if any IGAs are proposed.
7. Village Attorney – No report
8. Village Clerk – No report
9. Village Engineer – Developers are addressing some of the punch list items in Elburn Station. The Union 150 strike is over and having discussions with the contractor to get the 2022 Streets Program going.
10. Administration – Village Admin Nevenhoven presented the following:
  - a. Two events on Saturday morning, August 20 (during Elburn Days): Run the Rails Race and Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast.

- b. American Legion's .1K Beer Run is in September.
  - c. Williams Ridge Unit 5 (east of Ridge Dr and south of Prairie Valley St) is under contract. We are in early discussions with the new owner who will have to create a new plat.
  - d. The property west of Jewel and south of Route 38 is under contract and have spoken with the new potential property owner.
11. Building and Zoning – Building Commissioner Brennan reported on the following:
- a. A new business is opening at 9 E North St—Knight Club Nutrition. They will sell smoothie nutritional shakes.
  - b. It appears OHMG will be opening soon.
  - c. Edward Jones is moving to the north unit at the Jewel strip mall.
  - d. Issued nine new home permits the month of July for a total of 54 year to date. Village Admin Nevenhoven stated Elburn's calculation is 3.23 population for each new home. We will consider conducting a special Census in 2024 due to the growth Elburn has experienced since 2020.
12. Finance Department – No report
13. Police Department – Chief Sikora commented on the following:
- a. Fatal car crash occurred on Friday on Route 38 at First Street. The Kane County Reconstruction Team was called to assist. Elburn Ofc Scudiero is a member of the Team and was able to use Elburn's drone to obtain data regarding the crash. Elburn CERT members and Kane County OEM helped with traffic control at the site for four hours following the crash.
  - b. Ofc Grobe has resigned from the department and we are working on bringing in a replacement. The Police Commission will hold a special meeting on Thursday evening to, hopefully, extend a final offer. If approved, the new officer will take the power test on August 9 and attend police academy beginning on August 30. If all goes well, the new officer's first solo patrol shift will be mid-April. In the meantime, the Department will realign shifts and officers to cover. It was asked what the Village's cost is for police academy and whether or not the Village can require a time commitment from new hires. Chief Sikora said \$6,000—which is minimal compared to other costs associated with new hires. A time commitment policy has been obtained from another municipality who has had some success with it. Any such agreement would be a union contractual negotiation. However, astronomical signing bonuses and higher salaries at other departments may not deter officers from breaking a time commitment. All police departments are experiencing the same dilemma. Elburn's existing eligibility list expires in October and will be hosting an orientation/testing event on September 17. Our employment ad should be posted on the Blue Line within the next few days.
  - c. National Night Out is tomorrow night (August 2) from 5-8pm at Lions Park.
14. Public Works Department – Public Works Supt VanBogaert presented the following:
- a. Discuss and Approve a Professional Services Agreement with EEI, Inc. for Sewer Lining Services – Engineer Chris Walton is present to answer questions. A motion to approve was made by Grabarek and seconded by Schuberg. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
  - b. Public Works is busy with repair of WWTP rotors, fabricating a new chipper box, eradicating weeds in the parks, painting fire hydrants, etc. Mayor Walter said coming into town on Route 47 from the south looks a lot better since trees have been trimmed. Several compliments have been received.
15. Bills
- a. Approve the Bills List – A motion was made by Trustee Grabarek and seconded by Trustee Filek to approve the bills for Monday, August 1, 2022 for \$159,723.89. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
16. Other Business – None
17. Adjourn - Trustee Mond motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. with Trustee Grabarek seconding the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Diane McQuilkin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Diane McQuilkin  
Village Clerk