

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ELBURN BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 6, 2023
AT ELBURN VILLAGE HALL

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

Board Members Absent:

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

Others Present: Resident Thomas Gush; Kane County Chronicle reporter Susan O'Neill; Lennar rep Rick Murphy

1. Call to Order – Village President Jeff Walter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Trustee Wilson 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.

**Village Board Minutes* January 17, 2023

**Committee of the Whole Minutes* January 17, 2023

**Resolution 2023-02 Authorizing NIMEC Participation*

Three corrections to the January 17, 2023 Village Board minutes was noted. A motion was made by Trustee Mond and seconded by Trustee Wilson to approve the Omnibus Agenda with the corrections noted to the January 17, 2023 Village Board minutes. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Anderson, Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

6. Mayor
 - a. A thank you card was received from Fehr Graham for being invited to attend the holiday party. Mayor Walter thanked Fehr Graham and all who contributed to the party this year.
 - b. The Elburn Military Tribute Banner fund has sold 16 so far. Thirty are needed in order to print. Corporate sponsorships are available.
 - c. An Emergency Operations Program (EOP) "tabletop exercise" will be conducted on March 18, 2023 at 8:00am at Village Hall. In addition to Village staff, Mayor Walter would like trustees to participate.
 - d. Coffee and donuts with the Chief and the Mayor will take place on Saturday morning, March 11, 2023 at Village Hall.
 - e. A resignation has been received from Dan Kolzow, Chairman of the Parks Commission. Dan will be moving out of town so we will be looking for a new chairperson and park commissioner.

7. Village Attorney – No report

8. Village Clerk – No report

9. Village Engineer – No report
10. Administration – No report
11. Building and Zoning – No report
12. Finance Department – No report
13. Police Department – Chief Sikora presented the following:
 - a. Background checks are progressing on the next three candidates for the vacant full-time patrol officer position.
 - b. On Saturday, March 11, 2023 an open house will be hosted by Chief Sikora and Mayor Walter. Coffee and donuts will be served. Questions regarding the police department referendum will be answered and tours of the police department will be conducted.
 - c. The committee for the police department referendum is up and running and moving forward. Donations are being accepted.
14. Public Works Department – Public Works Supt. VanBogaert presented the following:
 - a. Discuss and Approve the Purchase of a Skid Steer for \$64,812.97 – Three bids for a new skid steer were received and VanBogaert stated this is budgeted for this fiscal year. The current machine is 20 years old and will not be traded in—it will be sold separately. A motion to approve was made by Grabarek and seconded by Schuberg. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Anderson, Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
 - b. Public Works will extend the water main on E North Street to the vacant lot across from Public Works this week. The road will be closed during the work.
 - c. The EV charging station is scheduled to be installed in the parking lot at First and E North Streets.
 - d. Work will begin soon at the Elburn Station Community Park to extend the water main and improve drainage.
15. Bills
 - a. Approve the Bills List – Trustee Grabarek noted a change to the bills list on page 24. An invoice was coded to Welch Creek vs. Welch Bros. The check will be voided and changed to Welch Bros. A motion was made by Trustee Grabarek and seconded by Trustee Schuberg to approve the bills for Monday, February 6, 2023 for \$204,784.31. A roll call vote ensued. Ayes: Anderson, Filek, Grabarek, Mond, Schuberg, Wilson. Nays: None. Motion carried.
16. Other Business – Trustee Grabarek received a call from Attorney Les Bleifus who is involved with a real estate transaction on what was shown as a street on a document from 1905 (Harrison St). It seems the street was never vacated. Chicago Title needs an ordinance saying Harrison Street is abandoned or that it does not exist as a street. There is a 1905 deed showing both sides of Harrison Street were sold to two different parties. An ordinance will be brought to the Board at a future meeting for action. Attorney Thomas has been contacted by Attorney Bleifus as well. Since the Village of Elburn no longer has a need for the street and in order to clear up the title, an ordinance will be drafted as a courtesy.
17. Adjourn - Trustee Mond motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m. with Trustee Grabarek seconding the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,



Diane McQuilkin
Village Clerk