

CALL TO ORDER

President Miller calls to order the Village of East Dundee Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Lynam, Selep, Wood, Hall, Mahony, Andresen and President Miller.

Also in attendance Administrator Jennifer Johnsen, Director of Public Works Phil Cotter, Interim Police Chief George Carpenter, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Village Attorney Gregory Smith and Village Clerk Katherine Holt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):

Eileen McNamee – Dundee St. Pat's Parade Coordinator

Ms. McNamee stated that she received the expense budget report from village staff regarding the parade. She reviewed some of those items with the Board. Administrator Johnsen explained that the idea behind putting this budget together is for transparency to and acknowledgement by the Board of the costs incurred by the Village for this event.

CONSENT AGENDA-CONSIDERATION OF AN "OMNIBUS VOTE": None

Illinois Municipalities may adopt by a single roll call vote of the Village Board and Village President, a group of assorted ordinances, resolution, motions and orders by an "Omnibus Vote". The "Omnibus Vote" shall be taken following the unanimous consent by the President and Board as to the items to be included. Any Trustee or the President may request that any item not be included in that vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. AmStar Gaming License Request

Administrator Johnsen stated that this item has been discussed once before but did not have all Board members present at that time so it was tabled for further discussion. She explained that the issue is whether to create another liquor license and video gaming license for the establishment. President Miller stated that within the last year, the Village has been trying to restrict and control the number of video gaming establishments there are in town. He said if current restrictions or regulations are lifted, this would allow for anyone to come into town and be allowed to have video gaming. He added that Thornton's has already requested to have video gaming and was denied by the Village. Trustee Selep said adding more machines would financially benefit the Village. Trustees Wood and Mahony stated that giving AmStar a video gambling license without offering the same benefits to other gas stations wouldn't be fair. Trustee Andresen said that allowing video gaming at this establishment would not negatively change the dynamic or nature of the property, and it might help the longtime owner stay competitive amid a changing business environment. He also agreed with the revenue benefit it could bring. Mahony added that with the Village being under 3 square miles in size and having 14 active gaming licenses, this seems very dense to her already. She said that she has a real safety concern with a gas station serving alcohol that can be consumed at that gas station. The majority of the Board was against granting a video gaming license for AmStar.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Motion Authorizing the Village to Incur Costs Related to Public Works and Police Services for the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 10, 2018 and the St. Patrick's Day Fireworks on March 17, 2018 Subject to the Recommended Conditions and Motion Approving the

Fireworks Permit Application from RKM Fireworks Company for the St. Patrick's Day Fireworks on March 17, 2018.

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Roll: Ayes – 6 – Trustees Lynam, Selep, Wood, Hall, Mahony and Andresen. Nays – 0. Absent – 0.
Motion carries.

B. Approval of an Ordinance of the Village of East Dundee, Cook and Kane Counties, Illinois Authorizing Abatement of the Tax Levied for General Obligation Bond 2012A, General Obligation Bond 2012B, Limited Obligation Revenue Bonds 2012, General Obligation Bond 2015 and General Obligation 2016

Motion for an Approval of an Ordinance of the Village of East Dundee, Cook and Kane Counties, Illinois Authorizing Abatement of the Tax Levied for General Obligation Bond 2012A, General Obligation Bond 2012B, Limited Obligation Revenue Bonds 2012, General Obligation Bond 2015 and General Obligation 2016 by Lynam/Andresen.

Discussion:

Administrator Johnsen explained that this is the annual abatement ordinance. She explained that the difference in this ordinance versus previously is that if the Village retains its home rule authority, it will be able to file and abate the bonds as in the past. However, if the Village loses its home rule authority, it will not file the ordinance. She said that these provisions are included in the ordinance. She advised that action will take place on March 21, a day after the primary election. She mentioned that Kane County has approved the filing delay for the Village.

Roll: Ayes – 6 – Trustees Lynam, Selep, Wood, Hall, Mahony and Andresen. Nays – 0. Absent – 0.
Motion carries.

C. Police Department Body Camera Discussion

Interim Police Chief George Carpenter advised that he met with former Chief Mee to discuss this project. He advised that Mee told him that the issue is that it is expensive. Carpenters said that he has an invoice for \$18,660 for this year to store video from the police body cameras. He said the signed contract took effect January 1, 2017 but the department has yet to implement the program. He advised that the department has all of the cameras but he is unsure why the program was never implemented. He said the \$18,660 amount is owed each year for the program's storage of the images. With finances being tight, Carpenter proposed that the department keep the cameras, as it now owns them, but defer implementation of the program until funds become available. The company has a process that if the Village writes to them and states that the funds are not available, they will let the Village out of the contract. President Miller recommended that the Board accept the recommendation of Chief Carpenter. He said he would like to revisit this discussion again in a year to reevaluate.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

A. Warrants List \$481,595.69

The Warrants List was noted to the Board.

Reports: VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Lynam: None

Selep: None

Wood: None

Hall: None

Mahony: Reported that the Caboose interviews are now complete.

Andresen: None

Reports: VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR and STAFF

Village President: None

Village Administrator: Johnsen advised that she conducted the first home rule presentation this evening for the business owners. She advised that the next one is Friday at 11 am at Village Green. She advised that the special home rule newsletter has been mailed out. She reported that the March 13 Committee of the Whole Meeting will be a budget workshop.

Village Attorney: Attorney Smith introduced Caitlyn Culbertson who is an associate attorney with Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins. He advised that Ms. Culbertson will be assisting him with village services.

Village Engineer: None

Police Chief: None

Public Works Director: Cotter advised that with the anticipation of the couple of inches of rain in the forecast, his department has implemented a couple of measures to prevent or address any potential flood issues. He advised that the storm sewers have been cleared of snow and ice in preparation. Cotter also reported that East Dundee is now occasionally assisting the State with Route 72 and Route 68 snow removal. In return, the State is providing truck loads of salt.

Building Official: None

Finance Director: None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on the Agenda): None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: No


Motion to adjourn the Regular Village Board Meeting at 6:47 p.m. by Wood/Lynam.

Motion carries by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourns.


Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Holt

Attest:


Village Clerk, Katherine Holt

By:


Village President, Lael Miller