

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Lynam, Gorman, Selep, Wood, Skillicorn and President Miller. Trustee Ruffulo was absent.

Also in attendance Village Administrator Bob Skurla, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Public Works Director Jim Kelly, Village Attorney Kathleen Field Orr, Deputy Village Administrator/Village Clerk Heather Maieritsch and Deputy Village Clerk/Administrative Asst. Katherine Holt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items only): None

CONSENT AGENDA-CONSIDERATION OF AN "OMNIBUS VOTE":

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.

President Miller requested to have item E pulled. This item was tabled at the General Village Committee meeting prior to this Board meeting. The Park District had requested more time to review the Bartels Park lease.

Motion to include only items A, B, C and D on the consent Agenda by Gorman/Skillicorn.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Lynam, Wood, Selep, Skillicorn and Gorman. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Ruffulo. Motion carries.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A, B, C and D by Gorman/Skillicorn.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Lynam, Wood, Selep, Skillicorn and Gorman. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Ruffulo. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Northern Kane County Chamber Presentation

Melissa Hernandez, President of the Northern Kane County Chamber of Commerce (NKCC), spoke about a new event the Chamber will be sponsoring. The NKCC is a regional chamber that represents the business interests of Carpentersville, East Dundee, West Dundee, Gilberts and Sleepy Hollow. The idea behind the event is to recognize individuals in each of these five communities who diligently volunteer and give back to the community. Each Village will submit three names of people they feel are deserving of this honor. The NKCC would give these individuals exposure through community events and media coverage. A small committee will choose one recipient to receive the 2013 Community Volunteer of the Year Award. The event will take place at Randall Oaks Country Club on November 19th where all candidates would be introduced and the winner would be announced. President Miller added that he would like these nominees to be highlighted during Village events such as parades and the tree lighting ceremony. Trustee Gorman asked if the nominee discussions and decision making by the Board would be considered business of the village and need to follow the Open Meetings Act. Village Attorney Kathleen

Field Orr replied that she believes it would be considered business of the region and not specific of the operations of the Village. But she would like to look further into this to ensure it does not violate the Open Meetings Act. Consensus of the Board is to participate in this event with the NKCC.

B. Final Approval for Wood Chipper

Motion to Approve the Purchase of a Wood Chipper by Skillicorn/Lynam.

Discussion:

Public Works Director Jim Kelly stated that the wood chipper purchase is over budget by \$4000 but it does include many things that will not need to be added later at a higher rate. The purchase will save the Village \$12,000 on the grinding of ash trees this fall as well as other trees that will be chipped up. He said there is a pile of mulch now available at the Public Works yard on Elgin Avenue and residents are coming and taking from the pile. Once the ash trees are in chipped form, there is no harm involved regarding the ash borer. Village Administrator Robert Skurla said that one of the great benefits with the purchase is that the Village could do most of their own work and no longer require multiple trips to transport the limbs, which costs time and money. The lifetime of a well maintained chipper is twenty years and is a good investment. Trustee Lynam asked if there will be much use for the chipper after the ash tree problem is resolved. Mr. Kelly replied that there is a lot of chipping done in Lakewood Estates. He also mentioned that there will be manufacturer training for the staff as well as OSHA training at no cost. Mr. Skurla stated that after big storms, the wait time to rent a chipper can be quite long. President Miller said that he would like the river bank cleaned up as you cannot see the river front in most areas. Currently the Village is spending \$6,000 a year on chipper rentals and tree limb hauling. So the return on investment will be approximately 6 years.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Lynam, Wood, Selep, Skillicorn and Gorman. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Ruffulo. Motion carries.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. Warrants List #1 \$350,003.92
- B. Warrants List #2 \$900.00
- C. Warrants List #3 \$17,422.46
- D. Warrants List #4 \$574.54

The Warrants Lists were noted to the Village Board

Discussion:

Trustee Gorman stated that reviewing the warrants lists for approval is an audit process for him. His concern is that if something is not voted on, it will not be perused as much by some. Village Attorney Kathleen Field Orr replied that the Board has an obligation to ensure that items on the warrants lists have been administered properly. The warrants lists must be on the agenda as informational and included in the packet for review and available to question if necessary. Robert Skurla stated that before any warrant is presented to the Board, three staff members have already reviewed and signed off on it.

Reports: VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Ruffulo: N/A

Gorman: Trustee Gorman asked for a status on the ash tree issue. Jim Kelly advised that 36 trees have been treated, inventoried and tagged three weeks ago. The treatment cost was \$30 per tree and the results will be reviewed in a year.

Lynam: None

Selep: None

Wood: Trustee Wood presented a schedule of East Dundee's events for Heritage Fest which was also provided to West Dundee to be incorporated in with their advertising. Next Tuesday will be the third volunteer committee events meeting. She will be seeking volunteers from the business community in the next week and is currently accepting applications for local artists and vendors. Operation Sweet Tooth and the Farmers Market will be included in the Heritage Fest advertising as well. Robert Skurla added that there is a plan to improve our seasonal farmers market as well as having an indoor, year round farmers market. He has a contractor ready to come in and is waiting for the downtown marketing person to come onboard.

Skillicorn: Trustee Skillicorn reported that the True Patriots event will take place this coming weekend in Gilberts. And the Saturday during Heritage Fest, Piece-Of-Cake bakery will host the Operation Sweet Tooth event for wounded warriors.

Reports: VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR and STAFF

Village Administrator: Skurla stated that if all continues to go well with the Police Union negotiation, he would like to hold an extended personnel session at the next Regular Board meeting to go over the final handshake agreement. There will also be a number of other personnel issues to discuss of the non union people. He will have a set of recommendations regarding adjustments and salary evaluations. Skurla also advised that he has been in contact with an automotive dealership that lost its lease in Elgin with regard to relocating to East Dundee.

Village Attorney: Orr stated that she and Robert Skurla have been working on various ordinances that they think will enhance or better allow the pleasure and enjoyment of the village by the citizens. This administrative adjudication process will educate the citizens and help implement code enforcements without costing the citizens more money. The Village staff will be allowed to issue a notice of violation to an offender who would then appear before a hearing officer and explain the issue or receive a fine. A repeat offender could receive up to \$750 per violation and because East Dundee is a home rule municipality, a lien could be placed on the offender's property. A trained hearing office would act as a judge and have a court reporter present. This process will provide a better lifestyle to the residents. These types of code enforcements cannot be taken to court because the courts have bigger cases to handle.

Village Engineer: Heinz reported that the Van Buren construction is now in stage 2B, which is the west portion of the street. The Elgin Avenue water main has passed its pressure test and needs to be chlorinated. On August 14, open bids for the streets program will be accepted. Christina Drive water main has passed. Once the landscaper gets approval from IDOT for the retaining wall, they will come in to build it and take care of the weeds. The streets lights are still waiting on ComEd connection. If there are no rain days, the targeted finished date would be between November 1 and 15.

Public Works Director: None

Village President: Miller stated that he has been receiving positive feedback regarding Heritage Fest from many sources. A group from West Dundee had approached him asking what East Dundee's participation will be in the Dickens in Dundee event. He will be meeting with them to discuss.

Chief of Police: N/A

Economic Development Consultant: Bergren reported that he is in the process of finding larger properties in town for a two local businesses. Also the new Meet Market Deli will be opening in a couple of weeks. Their signage proposal will be up for review before the Historic Commission this week.

Finance Director: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Items Not on the Agenda): None

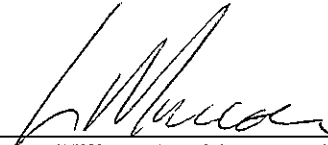
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:08 pm by Gorman/Wood.

Roll: Ayes – 6 – Trustees Lynam, Wood, Selep, Skillicorn, Gorman and President Miller. Nays – 0.
Absent – 1 – Trustee Ruffulo. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Holt

By: 
Village President, Lael Miller

Attest: 
Deputy Village Clerk, Katherine Holt