

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Trustees Gorman, Skillicorn, Lynam, Selep, Wood and President Miller. Trusee Hall was absent.

Also in attendance Village Administrator Bob Skurla, Chief of Police Terry Mee, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Finance Director Zaida Torres, Village Attorney Kathleen Field Orr, Economic Development Director Doug Bergren, Deputy Village Administrator/Village Clerk Heather Maieritsch and Deputy Village Clerk Katherine Holt.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items only):** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Northern Kane County Chamber of Commerce**

Administrator Skurla advised that the Chamber has rescheduled to appear at the next Board meeting.

**B. Brown's Chicken Liquor License Request**

Tim Kennefick, President of Brown's Chicken LLC, stated that he would like to convert his East Dundee location into a fast-casual concept where people can sit down, watch sports and have a beer. He said he is also interested in adding video gaming to his establishment. He expressed concerns about the vacant grocery store and it's affect on his business. He said the restaurant has new owners and does ok but he would like to increase the business there. He added that he does not plan to have a bar in the restaurant. Police Chief Mee advised that there is a class E-2 license available to serve beer and wine and this type of license would accommodate the venue. The Board was in favor of the liquor license request.

**C. Library District's TIF Reimbursement Request**

Administrator Skurla advised that the Village Attorney drafted a letter to the Library District suggesting what the Village can do for them regarding their reimbursement request. Attorney Orr explained that the TIF Act states that in the event any housing is assisted by the municipality with TIF dollars and increases the number of people eligible to hold a library card, the library district is entitled to reimbursement. She said that Administrator Skurla obtained the statistics on the actual number of residents at River Haven and Gardiner Place. She said the library's request for \$15,000 is based on some outdated statistical numbers. She said \$10,000 would be more realistic and responsive to the TIF act and is paid on an annual basis for the life of the TIF. Trustee Lynam said that he feels the TIF is squeezed already and that fulfilling this request would have a detrimental effect on the purpose of the TIF. There was a majority consensus for the \$10,000 reimbursement. President Miller said this item will be voted on at next Monday's Village Board meeting.

**D. Water & Sewer Rates**

Administrator Skurla said that as part of the 10 year capital plan that he is working on, he will be introducing various methods of funding for it. He said the consulting engineer emphasized that user fees should be the primary source for operating the water and sewer system. He said that for the past several years, the Village has been subsidizing and paying \$306,000 from home rule sales tax as well as paying

\$360,000 for garbage collection from home rule sales tax. He reported that the Village has not raised water rates since 2007 or sewer rates since 2010. He asked the Board to consider a modest increase based on what the actual operating costs are each year. President Miller commented that the cost of maintaining the water and sewer systems has been increasing over the last several years and the Village has been subsidizing with home rule sales tax to the extent of approximately 18%, which will continue to increase. Trustee Gorman suggested that the Finance Committee meet and discuss different scenarios on which rate changes would make the most sense and bring recommendations back to the Board. President Miller agreed with this suggestion.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Non Agenda Items):**

**Albin Grill, East Dundee residential rental property owner**

Mr. Grill had questions regarding the recently approved rental inspection ordinance. He said he does not feel that it's necessary to have inspections done on the same property every year unless there was a failed inspection the first time. President Miller replied that rental dwellings could change tenants or ownership year to year. Trustee Gorman said that as a rental property owner himself, he can understand Mr. Grill's point. He said the Board previously discussed reviewing the program after all initial inspections have been done to identify if there are actual issues with rental properties in town. He said after the Board receives the results and has a baseline, it can decide how often inspections should be done moving forward. President Miller said that inspections are being done for safety and health reasons and the program will be reviewed in the near future to determine how often inspections should occur. Trustee Skillicorn said that he would like to have this discussion before the next permit deadline is due.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: No**

Motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 7:00 pm by Skillicorn/Lynam. Meeting adjourns by unanimous vote.

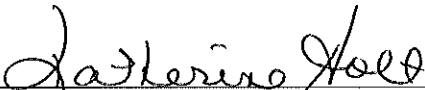
Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Holt

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Village President, Lael Miller

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Deputy Village Clerk, Katherine Holt