

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Miller calls to order the Village of East Dundee Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Trustees Gorman, Lynam, 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, Chief of Police Terry Mee and Deputy Village Clerk/Administrative Asst. Katherine Holt.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None**

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Downtown Development – Phase I Street and Utility Improvements**

Village Engineer Joe Heinz spoke about the proposed downtown street utility improvement plan. He said that Meier Street will be made into a two-way street with diagonal parking on each side, which will accommodate up to 48 parking stalls. The sidewalk on Meier Street will be replaced and widened and fire hydrants will be added to corner locations. Railroad Street will provide more parallel parking. The road will be smoothed leading up to the bike bath to make less of a hump to the path. Hill Street will extend across to the other side of Hill Street, eliminating the dead end at River Street. The lift station will be relocated 15-20 feet to the south and west. New LED street lights will be put up which will look similar to the fixtures on Main Street.

**B. Draft Depot Plaza Concept**

Jeff Maloney, Architect from Vandewalle & Associates, gave a presentation of the Depot Plaza design plan. The idea is to keep with the historic railroad theme. The plan includes an enhanced visitor center in the middle of the depot area with a community square and a fountain to the south. The square may also include a splash park which would be part of Phase two. The North side would be a Bike Harbor Oasis where bicyclists would be drawn in from the bike path. A ten foot wide sidewalk would be added on the west side of River Street which would allow extra space for the farmer's market vendor tents. Kiosks would be added near the south entrance and light up pavers would border the Depot walkway. A seating area would be north of the Depot. A drinking fountain, bicycle racks and evening lighting would be added to that area as well. Village Administrator Robert Skurla said that he would like to have permanent anchors installed to hold down event tents. He also would like to have electrical hook ups for the farmer's market or entertainment and access to a water supply for food trucks. Mr. Maloney advised that electrical outlets would be included in the street lights and water hook up would be available on the side of the Depot. He said that a fountain would be a focal point and a water feature would attract people to the area. A fountain would cost \$50,000-60,000 and a splash park would cost \$500,000. President Miller expressed concern about the cost and space for a splash park in the planned area. He said it could still be incorporated if moved to another location of the Depot area. He requested that Mr. Maloney provide more water feature options to consider. He advised that phase 1 is set to begin this year. Village Engineer Joe Heinz said that he can go out to bid in a couple of weeks. He said that he still needs permitting by the IEPA for the water and lift station, which would be in approximately 60 days.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

Trustee Wood left via phone conference at 8:00 pm

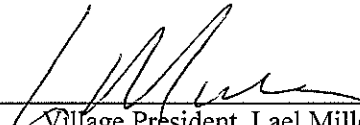
Motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 8:20 pm by Skillicorn/Lynam.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Lynam, Selep, Skillicorn, Gorman and President Miller. Nays – 0. Absent – 2  
– Trustees Ruffulo and Wood. Motion carries, meeting adjourns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Holt

Attest:   
Deputy Village Clerk, Katherine Holt

By:   
Village President, Lael Miller