

**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 Selep, Skillicorn, Lynam and President Miller. Trustees Gorman, Wood and Ruffulo were absent.

Also in attendance Village Administrator Bob Skurla, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Chief of Police Terry Mee, Deputy Village Administrator/Village Clerk Heather Maieritsch and Deputy Village Clerk/Administrative Asst. Katherine Holt.

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

**Tom Roeser – Otto Engineering Inc., 2 East Main Street, Carpentersville, IL 60110**

Mr. Roeser said that the look and condition of houses when entering a town gives a visitor an immediate feel of what the town is about. He said by removing that stigma by renovating the houses that he has, Carpentersville's image has changed and so have the feelings of people in the area. He said East Dundee has a great plan for residential façade assistance and that the houses on Barrington Avenue when entering from the west side of town are in very bad shape. He said the Façade grant is a smart approach to address this and is in the Village's best interest. It will enhance other people's property values as well as the downtown. He also suggested that code enforcement should be enhanced.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Membrane Thickening System Replacement**

Jillian Goodlove, design engineer for Trotter and Associates, advised that the pilot program has been running successfully at East Dundee's wastewater treatment plant. She is asking the Board for approval to go out for bid for the installation of the membrane units. Public Works Superintendent Adam Peters said that this has been included in this year's budget. He said one unit is in operation right now for the pilot program and it is working well. All 3 units are necessary to go full scale. Scott Trotter said that the original design was an emerging design at the time and did not last its 10 year life expectancy due to structural failures. The new membrane system design will resolve this issue and be offered to the Village at a discounted value. The new design will include a 10 year warranty on the product. There is consensus of the Board to move forward with the installation bidding process. President Miller said that a motion will be passed at the Special Board Meeting immediately following.

**B. Update 5 Year Street Program**

Village Engineer Joe Heinz provided a street system inventory report as well as a 2015 street program recommendation report. He said the 5 year street program was due for revamping. He and Street Superintendent Tim Wilson looked over and rerated the street system. He said based on the street budget, the Village would be looking at redoing 15% of the street system over the next 5 years. He said it is at half of what really should be done. Administrator Skurla asked Heinz if it is possible that he draft numbers for a 10 year complete cycle program, fixing 10% of the street system every year for 10 years, to get a budget estimate. He would like to include this in the corporate plan update this year. President Miller suggested that the Streets Committee meet to discuss the street inventory details at length and bring their feedback to a future meeting.

**C. Residential Façade Program**

Administrator Skurla provided annual tax levy reports and said that the rate setting EAV is outside of the TIF districts. He said as of this year, virtually all of the commercial and industrial land in town is in a TIF district. Therefore, the rate setting addresses the value of housing stock. He said the housing stock has dropped in value by 40% over the last 7 years. However, property in the TIFs has grown by over 15%. He said the value of the EAV in the residential housing stock needs to be raised. The recent CMAP housing study recommended that the Village maintain and put money into upgrading current single family homes. He suggested an amount of \$75,000 be budgeted for a residential façade program. He also proposed that \$5,000 be budgeted as a matching amount per household. He said the selection process of picking the top properties for the program will be based on the opinion of the building inspector as well as input from a Village elected official and staff member. He said household income will not be a factor in the selection process. He said part of the role of the Village is to do economic development. It is the Village's duty to make sure valuations are kept up, whether by code enforcement or by encouraging people to fix their properties by using money that is raised locally. President Miller said that safety issues will be addressed on an individual basis. Trustee Skillicorn said he would rather see the \$75,000 go toward other improvements and core services such as water and streets. President Miller suggested that the Village try the program for one year and see how it does. The Board was in consensus to move forward with the program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Brad Coarson, East Dundee Resident**

Mr. Coarson said he will be hosting a cancer benefit at Diamond Jim's on January 11, 2015 and requested approval to hang a temporary banner for the event along the establishment's fence. He said that the American Cancer Society and professional athletes will be in attendance. Administrator Skurla advised that Mr. Coarson request a waiver of the sign regulations from the Village Board to hang the temporary event banner. He said the request will be included on next Monday's meeting agenda.

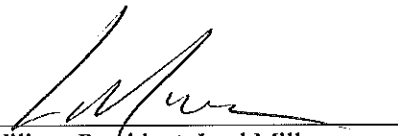
**EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

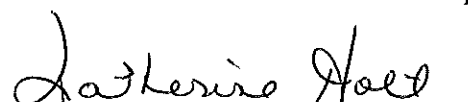
Motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 7:01 Lynam/Selep.

Roll: Ayes – 4 – Trustees Lynam, Skillicorn, Selep and President Miller. Nays – 0. Absent – 3 – Trustees Wood, Gorman and Ruffulo. Motion carries, meeting adjourns.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Holt

By:   
Village President, Lael Miller

Attest:   
Deputy Village Clerk, Katherine Holt