

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Keller called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present were President Larry Keller, Trustees Julie Voss, Becky Gillam, Tom Price, Norm Osth, Pat Hanley and Andy Yuscka. Also present were Village Manager Joe Cavallaro, Village Attorney John Brechin, Police Chief Andy Wieteska, Patrol Sergeant Tony Gorski and ten (10) persons in the audience.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:

Trustee Osth led the Board and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Voss and seconded by Trustee Yuscka to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll call, motion was approved.

AYES: Trustees Voss, Gillam, Price, Osth, Hanley and Yuscka

NAYS: None

V. VILLAGE PRESIDENTS REPORT: There was none.

VI. REPORTS AND QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES: There were none.

VII. VILLAGE STAFF REPORTS:

Manager Cavallaro reminded the Board of the January meeting dates: January 9, 16 & 23, 2012.

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

A. Membership in Kane County SWAT (Trustee Gillam)

Trustee Gillam advised that Sgt. Gorski has led the effort to investigate the benefits of membership in Kane County SWAT.

Chief Wieteska advised that West Dundee is a member of NIPAS (Northern Illinois Police Alarm System), a primarily Lake County based regional SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) organization, and ILEAS (Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System). He explained the different purposes of the two organizations, the costs of membership, the structure of the organizations and the experience West Dundee has had with each. He advised that Officer Ficek is the designated participant from West Dundee.

Chief Wieteska explained that the recommendation to end West Dundee's membership in NIPAS and join Kane County SWAT is based on the expectation of improved response times, greater familiarity with the associated agencies and significant cost savings.

Sergeant Gorski advised that a Rifle Response Team is being coordinated within the department to provide training for SWAT-like response with rapid deployment for active shooter incidents.

Chief Wieteska will bring a Resolution approving membership in Kane County SWAT to the Board for approval at the next Regular Board Meeting.

B. Recommend Changes to Fourth and Washington (Trustee Gillam)

Trustee Gillam advised that Chief Wieteska has recommended that the intersection of Fourth and Washington be changed from a 2-way to a 4-way stop. The discussion was opened up to comments from the residents in attendance.

Maureen and Natalie Himmel, 410 Washington Street, provided a video taken at 5:00 pm showing the traffic at both Fourth and Washington and Fifth and Washington, and stated concerns regarding disregard for the speed limit and existing stop signs.

Heather Buck, 404 Washington Street, stated concerns for the safety of children, pedestrians and drivers in the area. She stated that the intersection includes a blind hill and that cross-traffic does not realize it is not a 4-way stop.

Trustee Gillam stated that she feels strongly that more controls are needed.

Michael Golightly, 313 N. Fifth Street, advised of regular near-accidents at Fifth and Geneva. He also thanked the Police Department for their recent presence in the area during rush hour.

Ken Schwart, 120 N. Fifth Street, requested no parking on the residential side of the streets adjacent to Grafelman Park. He stated concern regarding drivers who speed to make a green light at Fifth and Main, and regarding visibility at Sixth and Washington.

Slawek Jaroszkiewicz, 212 N. Fourth Street, stated concern for emergency vehicle access when both sides of the street are lined with parked cars. It was noted that Mrs. Jaroszkiewicz was involved in a serious accident as a pedestrian crossing Main Street at Fifth.

President Keller and Manager Cavallaro spoke regarding the historical data and discussions regarding traffic calming over the past 20 years and specifically related to this section of the Village. The IDOT established criteria required to warrant traffic controls was outlined.

It was noted that enforcement efforts tend to highlight that the majority of offenders are West Dundee residents, and that unwarranted stop signs lead to complacency and create an even more dangerous situation. Alternative controls such as restricted turn movements and one-way streets, which are inconvenient to both residents and cut-through traffic, were briefly discussed.

It was noted that the completion of the Route 72 and 31 intersection improvements, expected to begin construction in 2012, will ease the cut-through traffic in the neighborhood.

The Board was supportive of Staff's recommendations to authorize a 4-way stop at Fourth and Washington and to collect traffic data over the next week in order to analyze the warranting of additional controls at other intersections in the area.

An Ordinance authorizing the change of Fourth and Washington to a 4-way stop will be brought the Board for approval at the next Regular Board Meeting. The expenditure for data collection is within the Village Manager's purview.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Osth and seconded by Trustee Gillam to recess to Executive Session regarding personnel. Upon roll call, motion was approved.

AYES: Trustees Osth, Hanley, Yuscka, Voss, Gillam and Price

NAYS: None

The Regular Board Meeting resumed at 9:26 pm.

X. MISCELLANEOUS:

Trustee Gillam stated that we had an excellent Gingerbread House activity for Dickens in Dundee, that all houses were sold and that approximately 30 volunteers contributed to the activity from planning to execution.

Manager Cavallaro noted that the Dickens parade cancellation was based on concern for the safety and well being of both participants and spectators given the wet weather conditions.

Trustee Price noted that the Lions Club Tree Sale has ended with all but 7 trees sold.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Voss and seconded by Trustee Gillam to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting. Motion passed unanimously upon voice vote.

The Regular Board Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

ATTEST:

Kim Tibbetts
Deputy Village Clerk

Larry Keller
Village President

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Village of West Dundee
Monday, December 12, 2011**

President Keller called the Executive Session to order at 9:16 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel.

Present were President Larry Keller, Trustees Julie Voss, Becky Gillam, Tom Price, Norm Osth, Pat Hanley and Andy Yuscka. Also present were Village Manager Joe Cavallaro, Village Attorney John Brechin and Finance Director David Danielson.

Discussion took place regarding personnel compensation.

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Osth and seconded by Trustee Voss to adjourn from Executive Session. Upon roll call, motion was approved.

AYES: Trustees Osth, Hanley, Yuscka, Voss, Gillam and Price

NAYS: None

The Executive Session adjourned at 9:26 pm.

ATTEST:

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