

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Keller called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. ROLL CALL:

Present were President Keller, Trustees Voss, Gillam, Price, Osth, Hanley and Yuscka. Also present were Village Manager Cavallaro, Village Attorney Brechin, Police Chief Wieteska, Community Development Director Tymoszenko, Public Works Director Babica, Fire Chief Buhrmann and fifty (50) persons in the audience.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:

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

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

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

NAYS: None

V. VILLAGE PRESIDENTS REPORT:

A. Police Chief Oath of Office - Andrew Wieteska

President Keller and Manager Cavallaro introduced Interim Police Chief Andrew Wieteska, speaking of his history with the West Dundee Police Department, including 13 months as Interim Chief, and the circumstances leading to his promotion to Police Chief.

Interim Chief Wieteska introduced his wife, Jill and sons, Drew and Conor, as well as family and friends in the audience. The Oath of Office was administered by Deputy Village Clerk Tibbetts. Jill Wieteska pinned on Chief Wieteska's new badge and Conor removed his Lieutenant nametag.

Chief Wieteska spoke about his past, present and future with the Police Department and his commitment to the position of Chief. He thanked his family, previous Chiefs, his staff, the President and Board of Trustees, the other Department Managers and the residents of the Dundee area for their support. He invited those in the audience to a reception at Public Safety Center #1.

VI. REPORTS AND QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES:

Trustee Osth asked Director Babica if excess mulch and dirt is, or can be, removed in conjunction with parkway tree removals. Director Babica agreed and advised that stump removal won't occur for a few months.

VII. VILLAGE STAFF REPORTS:

Director Babica advised that hydrant flushing and insecticide installation for mosquito control have been completed.

VIII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

A. First United Methodist Church Parsonage 310 Main

Director Tymoszenko described the long history of this matter and the historic nature of the structure, which is also known as the Alfred Edwards House and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

She advised that discussions regarding the structure began in 2006. The Church has consistently asked for demolition of the structure, citing a number of reasons over the years. The Village's concern and position has been for preservation of the historic structure.

Escalated deterioration of the property has occurred, and a recent condition assessment indicated a need for immediate action to stop the damage. Director Tymoszenko outlined the options available to the Board to consider: Allow demolition, invoke a court action for maintenance of the structure, or engage in a cooperative "mothballing" effort with the Church to address the most immediate repair issues to save the building for a future reuse and/or potentially to move the building in the future.

John Empen and Stephen Granholm were in attendance to represent First United Methodist Church. Mr. Empen and Mr. Granholm discussed the history of the structure's deterioration, stating that it was vacated and locked down in 2004 and the Church became aware of water infiltration in 2007. Mr. Empen stated that it did not make financial sense to the Church to repair a structure they intend to demolish. The estimated costs for levels of repair were discussed.

Mr. Empen advised that the land is desired for additional parking and that an architect advised it was not feasible to incorporate the building into a parking plan that would meet their needs. Director Tymoszenko advised that sufficient additional parking could be installed without removal of the building and that a revised parking plan including the structure was requested previously, but has not been provided.

Manager Cavallaro stated that it would be very difficult for the Village to grant demolition of a building of such historical significance on Main Street in the Historic District.

It was asked whether the Church would be open to committing the monies set aside for demolition to a mothballing effort if the Village would match the amount in a grant or loan. Mr. Empen advised that he would have to take the proposal to the Church Board, and agreed to set up a meeting in the next 30 days at which the Village Staff could speak directly to the Church Board.

Director Tymoszenko expressed concern that this approach would effectively stall repairs to the detriment of the structure, and recommended issuing an order to remediate. The Board directed her to prepare a sheet outlining the immediate repairs needed along with a draft order to remediate. Mr. Granholm added that an emergency meeting could potentially be setup with the Church Board to discuss the proposed 50/50 mothballing effort.

A. Capital Projects 5 Year Plan

Manager Cavallaro reviewed the revenues and expenditures outlined for Funds 4 and 5.

Trustee Osth inquired whether paying off the First American Bank Note in full this year would be beneficial.

Manager Cavallaro reminded the Board of previous conversations regarding reallocating portions of budgeted amount for the Streets and Infrastructure Program to Sewer and Water Improvements and/or the Forestry Program. Director Babica suggested an aggressive preventative maintenance program could be undertaken to achieve this. He noted that there are 256 locations on the Parkway Tree Replacement List.

Manager Cavallaro noted that the transfer from Fund 5 to the General Fund was initially intended to be no more than 50% of the Sales Tax received and currently represents about 65%.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: There were none.

X. MISCELLANEOUS:

Trustee Yuscka asked if Emerald Ash Borer was a problem on the vacant lot at Elm and Huntley. Director Babica confirmed there are no known Ash species on the property.

Trustee Gillam advised that John Mayer approached her regarding a commemoration of The Road to Perdition in honor of the movie's 10th anniversary.

Trustee Price inquired whether the Superweek Bike Race representatives had been in contact this year. Manager Cavallaro confirmed they have not.

Trustee Gillam inquired when the Riverwalk Stabilization work would be undertaken. Manager Cavallaro advised July or August is the timeframe.

Manager Cavallaro provided an update on personnel.

President Keller advised the Board to connect with IT Coordinator Spiro for any required set up of the new laptops.

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 9:37 pm.

ATTEST:

Kim Tibbetts
Deputy Village Clerk

Larry Keller
Village President