

Agenda
Glen Ellyn Village Board of Trustees
Monday, March 9, 2009
8:00 p.m. – Galligan Board Room

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Correspondence
 - A. Card of thanks dated February 24 from Bells and Whistles Snackery to Village staff acknowledging the assistance they provided which allowed them to open the store several weeks ago.
 - B. Letter dated January 30 from Glen Crest Middle School thanking our Police Department for their kind consideration and support.
 - C. Letter dated February 16 from Wheaton Chief of Police Mark Field, expressing his appreciation for the assistance received from Police Officer Anthony Terranova with the apprehension of the suspect of a strong arm robbery in Wheaton.
 - D. Letter dated February 25 from College of DuPage Police Chief Mark Fazzini sending his thanks to Sergeant Brian Beck and Police Officers Craig Holstead and Villegas for their assistance in a recent incident at the school.
 - E. Email message dated February 27 from a grateful resident expressing her thanks to Police Officers Bradley Booton and Luke Elmore for assisting her family recently.
 - F. Email message dated March 1 from a grateful resident, thanking Village Forester Peggy Drescher for taking the time to investigate his concerns about excessive and improper tree trimming.
 - G. Email message dated February 10 from a Wheaton resident forwarding his thanks to Records Clerk Angelina Tellone for her assistance.
5. Audience Participation

6. Consent Agenda

The following items are considered routine business by the Village Board and will be approved in a single vote in the form listed below:

A. Village Board Meeting Minutes:

1. January 19, 2009 Workshop
2. January 12, 2009 Pre-Board Workshop

B. Total Expenditures (Payroll and Vouchers) - \$1,081,088.37.

The vouchers have been reviewed by Trustee Comerford prior to this meeting.

C. Ordinance No. 5737-VC, an Ordinance to Amend Certain Sections of Chapter 6 of Title 6 (Police Regulations) of the Village Code of the Village of Glen Ellyn, Illinois Regarding the Police/Fire Alarm Systems.

This action updates the one-time alarm system permit fee to an annual alarm system fee, and implements a tiered fine structure for false alarm activations police respond to in excess of three per calendar year. These adjustments will better reflect Village operational costs associated with alarm systems.

D. Motion to authorize payment to Bonnell Industries, Inc. of Dixon, IL in the amount of \$22,934 for two replacement plow assemblies damaged during the 2009/10 Snow and Ice Management Program.

This winter two snow plows were damaged during normal operations. As these two plows are critical to our operations, replacements were ordered immediately while the claim process through our insurance pool was initiated. We have recently received the new plows and have put them into service. Two invoices totaling \$22,934 have been received and require Village Board approval prior to payment. A reimbursement check has already been received in the amount of \$9,563 for one of the plows and we anticipate similar reimbursement on the other plow.

7. Motion to approve a contract with Water Well Solutions of Oconomowoc, WI for rehabilitation of Well No. 6 at the Wilson Avenue Pumping Station in the not-to-exceed amount of \$40,000 (including a 20% contingency), to be expensed to the FY 08 - 09 Water Fund.

Public Works Director Joe Caracci will present information on a project to inspect, clean and disinfect one of the two standby potable water wells that the Village maintains as emergency backup should problems occur with the Village's Lake Michigan water supply provided through the DuPage Water Commission. Well No. 6 is located at the Wilson Avenue Pumping Station near the Public Works Reno Service Center on Lambert Road. In 2008 testing revealed the presence of non-fecal bacterial contamination in the well. Control measures and efforts undertaken last year were only partially successful, and recent testing indicated a reoccurrence of the contamination.

Staff consulted with a firm specializing in well water quality problems, and after a site visit and additional sampling, the firm submitted a proposal for a series of measures designed to address the situation. The proposed scope of services includes mobilization to the site, testing, pulling the well pump, wire brushing the casing, down-hole video inspections, chlorine solution cleaning, re-installing the pump, performing a proprietary treatment using a biocide, and final testing. Cost of the work as outlined in the proposal is \$33,354 not including any pump repair. Work will be completed in the spring of 2009.

8. Finance Director Batek will present information regarding the implementation of an additional 1% sales tax on retail merchandise sales within Glen Ellyn (excludes groceries, prescription and non-prescription drugs and automobile sales) to become effective July 1, 2009.

Despite past financial health, Glen Ellyn is not immune to the global, national and regional economic downturn. Because of declining revenues, the Village is facing a projected \$600,000 general fund deficit for the current budget year that ends on April 30. In addition, forecasts for the next three years project an increasingly unsustainable gap between revenues and expenditures.

In preparation for the challenges which lie ahead, the proposed budget for the new fiscal year 2009/10 which begins on May 1, 2009, includes general staffing reductions and essentially no increase in total personnel and related benefit costs. Significant cuts in contracted services as well as a number of maintenance expense deferrals will be implemented to keep the budget in balance for the coming year. Certain deferred expenses however, will return in future years and must be addressed in the near-term to avoid future financial problems associated with deferred maintenance.

In total, the preliminary proposed budget was out of balance by a total of \$2.6 million. Total expenditure cuts have been made to date of \$1.7 million compared to new revenue introduced by the proposed 1% sales tax at \$0.9 million for FY10. For every new revenue dollar generated by the home rule sales tax, there are approximately \$2 in corresponding expense reductions.

Many communities in DuPage County have implemented a local sales tax, including neighboring Wheaton and Lombard, where a 1% local sales tax is already in place.

The Village has offered several opportunities for public input on the sales tax in addition to the public presentation this evening. A Special Village Board Budget Workshop meeting was held on Monday, March 2 in Room 301 and a Special Village Board Workshop meeting was held on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m. in the Galligan Board Room. This information was further communicated to the general public in the February 2009 Village Newsletter, as well as the availability of extensive information on the Village's website and also in the Village's e-mail Newsletter.

The proposed sales tax ordinance will be reviewed on a two-reading process with a non-binding straw vote of Village Trustees this evening and formal approval scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2009.

- A. First reading of Ordinance No. ____-VC, an Ordinance Implementing A Home Rule Retailers' Occupation Tax and Service Occupation Tax (Home Rule Sales Tax); and
- B. First Reading of Ordinance No. ____-VC, an Ordinance Providing for an Annual Review and Specific Uses of Home Rule Retailers' Occupation Tax and Service Occupation Tax.

9. Reminders:

- A Special Village Board Budget Workshop is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, March 16, in Room 301 of the Glen Ellyn Civic Center. The regularly scheduled Village Board Workshop will follow immediately afterwards at approximately 7:30 p.m. in the same location.
- The next Pre-Board meeting of the Glen Ellyn Village Board is scheduled for Monday, March 23, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Room 301 of the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.
- The next Regular Village Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23, beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the Galligan Board Room of the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

10. Other Business?

11. Adjournment