

Minutes
Regular Village Board Workshop
Glen Ellyn Village Board of Trustees
February 22, 2010

Time of Meeting: 7:01 P.M.

Present: President Pfefferman; Trustees Comerford, Cooper, Hartweg, Ladesic, Thorsell Henninger; Village Clerk Connors; Attorney Diamond.
Staff present: Village Manager Jones, Schrader, Batek, Caracci, Hulseberg, Norton.

1. Call to Order

President Pfefferman called the Board Workshop to order at 7:00 P.M. with a roll call Trustees Comerford, Cooper, Hartweg, Ladesic, Thorsell, and Henninger responding "Here."

2. Public Comments?

Paula McGowen, 1N443 Park Blvd., Glen Ellyn addressed the Village Board regarding the trapping of coyotes. She spoke against the what she considered poor treatment of the coyotes and other wildlife in the Village of Glen Ellyn.

3. Economic Development Discussion

President Pfefferman expanded on information concerning further economic development related to vision, scope, methods, commercial and residential development and steps to achieve the mission. Reaction to his presentation indicated that much of the development falls within the downtown strategic plan. There was general agreement that the Village Board should prioritize, but not be involved in what the Economic Development Corporation should be doing. Specifics of the Village Board's role has yet to be determined. Breakdown of expenses and responsibilities for each entity should be detailed to accommodate who does what. A synopsis of the responses from the survey that went out with the water bills a few years ago will be provided from Economic Development Corporation Director Janie Patch.

4. Contractor's Registration Discussion

Planning and Development Director Hulseberg distributed additional information regarding a proposed new ordinance concerning information required from contractors who must register with the Village when a building permit is requested. The Village Attorney's office advised that revoking a registration could put the Village at risk. A surety bond might be a better way to approach the situation. The Village can collect information about a contractor and make that information public. Tightening Village codes would also assist in enforcement. The Village Board may be interested in strengthening the existing codes to add additional requirements. Director Hulseberg detailed some language on the proposed ordinance that would be changed if the Village

Board wanted to go forward with the ordinance. Attorney Diamond stated that the Village would want to be sure that it does not make it too difficult for good contractors to work in the Village. He suggested alternatives for bringing suit against poor work done by a few contractors who do not follow Village codes. Additional research is being done to clarify homeowners working on their own property. Changes will be made and the ordinance should be ready for the next Village Board meeting agenda.

5. Downtown Strategic Plan Implementation

Village Manager Jones presented information that separated the plan into 54 separate goals in 10 categories and identified activities needed to go forward for funding, parking, 2-way streets, etc. The goals will be prioritized so the Village Board has a general sense of where it wants to go and how to get there. Each of the elected officials has been asked to identify five of the most important items and return the completed chart to Village Manager Jones. He would then total the votes allowing the Board to be able identify the most important activities. If the Village Board wishes to discuss the various goals/categories before voting, they could schedule this for another meeting. The Village Board will discuss this further.

6. Other Items?

None

7. Adjournment

At 8:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned to the Regular Village Board Meeting in the Galligan Board Room.

Submitted by:

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Village Clerk