

**Minutes**  
**Regular Village Board Workshop**  
**Glen Ellyn Village Board of Trustees**  
**August 15, 2011**

Time of Meeting: 7:03 p.m.

Present: President Pfefferman; Trustees Hartweg, Ladesic, Henninger, McGinley and Friedberg; Village Clerk Connors. Staff present: Village Manager Franz, Assistant to the Village Manager - Admin. Schrader, Interim Public Works Director Perrigo, Police Chief Norton, Professional Engineer Minix, Administrative Intern Letson, Fire Chief Campbell.

Prior to the Call to Order, President Pfefferman described to those present what to expect at a Workshop meeting and the procedure that would be followed. He explained that public input is valued, but asked that those who wished to speak limit their time to three minutes. Statements and questions will be taken after the staff presentation and Village Board questions. President Pfefferman then answered questions from the public about the process being followed and the Capital Improvements Commission's recommendation. It was announced that no formal vote is taken at this meeting although an indication of whether the Village Board agrees with the CIC may be known.

**1. Call to Order**

President Pfefferman called the Board Workshop to order at 7:18 p.m. with a roll call. Trustees Hartweg, Henninger, Ladesic, Friedberg, and McGinley responded "Here." Trustee Cooper was excused.

**2. Public Comments**

President Pfefferman asked if anyone had any comments they wished to make that were not on the agenda. No one indicated they wish to speak.

**3. Hawthorne Boulevard Discussion**

President Pfefferman introduced Professional Engineer Bob Minix who gave background of materials that had previously been distributed to the Village Board. He then highlighted the plans for the entire one mile stretch of Hawthorne Boulevard. It will consist of fully reconstruction of all of Hawthorne's water mains, sanitary sewers, and storm sewers with a concrete top. Sidewalks, where there are none, are planned for installation in the fall.

Mr. Minix acknowledged residents concerns regarding sidewalks and street width which was brought to his attention during the public meeting on June 28, 2011 and the Capital Improvements Commission meeting on July 12, 2011. Since Hawthorne Boulevard is

considered a minor collector street and no parking is allowed, the CIC concluded that they could recommend a 22' width instead of the design engineer's standard of 25 feet.. The CIC vote was 9-0 to recommend the 22 foot width. In response to consideration of undergrounding utilities, it was determined that, based on previous research, the cost would still be prohibitive. The damage to trees for a 22 foot street width has not been determined by the Village Forester. The only assessment that was done was for a 25 foot width roadway.

Brenda Knapp, 495 Hawthorne, representing a committee of homeowners, spoke in favor of keeping the street at 21 feet.

Cari Dinneen, 602 Prairie, spoke in favor of keeping the street at 21 feet and presented a petition of 342 signatures against a 22 foot width street.

Renee Stephan, 592 N. Main, spoke against widening the street beyond 21 feet.

Stephen Pordes, 501 Hawthorne, spoke against widening the street beyond 21 feet.

Mark Frigo, 374 Hawthorne, spoke against widening the street beyond 21 feet

Michael McDonald, 589 Forest, spoke against widening the street to 22 feet and asked how the engineering design was developed.

Lee Marks, 475 Hawthorne, spoke against widening the street to 22 feet

Kathy Carnell, 678 Forest, spoke against widening the street to 22 feet

Bob Edwards, 319 Hawthorne, lost a tree during previous construction in the 1960s and spoke in favor of saving the trees.

Professional Engineer Minix explained that guidelines for residential streets are 9 foot lanes in either direction and 6 inches is allowed on either side is necessary for water collection. Sidewalks will be considered in the fall and residents will be notified prior to installation.

Village Manager Franz gave a brief, bullet-point recap of the considerations leading up to the 22 foot recommendation.

Each member of the Village Board expressed their opinions and choice for accepting or rejecting the Capital Improvements Commission's recommendation of a 22 foot street width for Hawthorne Boulevard. The majority of the Village Board was in favor of keeping the street width at 21 feet. The final acceptance will come before the Village Board at future meetings in the form of approval of contracts.

#### **4. Other Items?**

President asked if there were any other items to come before the Village Board. No one indicated they had any other items to present.

#### **5. Adjournment**

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At 9:30 p.m., Trustee Henninger moved and Trustee Ladesic seconded a motion to adjourn. All voted “Aye.” Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

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Village Clerk