

Minutes
Regular Village Board Workshop
Glen Ellyn Village Board of Trustees
September 26, 2011

Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Present: President Pfefferman; Trustees Friedberg, McGinley, Hartweg, Henninger and Ladesic; Village Clerk Connors, Village Attorney Diamond.
Staff present: Village Manager Franz, Assistant to the Village Manager - Admin. Schrader, Interim Finance Director Noller, Interim Public Works Director Perrigo, Planning and Development Director Hulseberg, Police Chief Norton.

1. Call to Order

President Pfefferman called the Board Workshop to order at 7:00 p.m. with a roll call. Trustees Hartweg, Henninger, Friedberg, Cooper, and McGinley responded "Present." Trustee Ladesic arrived at 7:08p.m.

2. Tree Preservation Ordinance

President Pfefferman explained the order of the meeting. Director Hulseberg will present information relating to trees on private property and answer questions from the Village Board; Director Perrigo will present information relating to trees on public property and the arboricultural manual and answer Village Board questions. The public will then have an opportunity to ask questions or make comments concerning all portions of the presentations.

Planning and Development Director Staci Hulseberg explained that there were concerns expressed at the September 12 meeting about the language in the ordinances. She reviewed the questions that were asked and the responses that were included in a September 22 memo to the Village Board. Discussion followed concerning removal restrictions of significant trees and how an ordinance might be changed where construction development was involved. The Village Board had questioned clear cutting as it related only to the setback area and had suggested that it was too broad.

Public Works Director Jeff Perrigo presented changes to public right-of-way (parkway) trees. The object of the changes were to make the ordinance more consistent and clear; provide a remedy for damage, including the EAB and the Asian Longhorn Beetle; and provide review procedures if appropriate. At present, removal of parkway trees is a shared cost paid for by the homeowner and the Village. Under the new ordinance, the entire cost would be borne by the Village.

The proposed changes to the Arboricultural Standards are minor in nature. The changes incorporate lessons learned about planting and site requirements and spacing between

trees depending on the kinds of trees being planted. Changes to the Arboricultural Standards Manual also reflect current practice. Discussion ensued relating to homeowners planting a tree in their parkway and if and how it might be done. Further discussion on this topic was deferred to another time.

Eleanor Saliamonas, 626 Newton, spoke in favor of passage of the ordinances that include trees in the setbacks.

Leonore Neary, 697 Oak, spoke in favor of limiting the ordinances to various homeowners who do not reside full time in the Village and the setback to various areas of a lot.

Each member of the Village Board discussed their opinion of the ordinances and the general consensus from many was that they would like to see many explanations in writing and see if it is workable.

3. Other Items?

None

4. Adjournment

At 8:02 p.m., Trustee Cooper moved, seconded by Trustee Friedberg to adjourn to the Regular Village Board Meeting in the Galligan Board Room. All voted "aye." Motion passed; Village Board Workshop adjourned.

Submitted by:

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Village Clerk