

Minutes
Special Village Board Meeting
Glen Ellyn Village Board of Trustees
Monday, May 21, 2012

Call to Order

Village President Pfefferman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Upon roll call by Village Clerk Connors, Village President Pfefferman and Trustees Cooper, Friedberg, Hartweg, and Henninger answered, "Present." Trustee McGinley arrived at 7:05 p.m. Trustee Ladesic arrived at 8:25 p.m.

Hawthorne Corridor Sidewalk Issues

Village Engineer Bob Minix gave a short background and update on the Hawthorne Corridor Project. They are working in the center of the project now until school ends for the summer. He mentioned that a number of Capital Improvements Commission members were expected to attend tonight's meeting and introduced Craig Pryde.

Mr. Pryde gave the details of the current locations and the proposed locations of sidewalks along the Hawthorne corridor. He explained that District 87 supported most of the proposed sidewalks, but in some areas were concerned about a possible loss of parking spaces. He described each of the commission's recommendations including the 3-way stop at Ellyn and Crescent. Mr. Pryde and Capital Improvements Commission Chairman Mike Colliander stressed that the commission was looking to alleviate current and future problems.

In response to questions, Police Chief Norton explained that a Federal manual that is adopted by the State and Village dictates placement of traffic control signs. Engineer Minix explained that typical Village sidewalks are five feet wide, but some are four feet. Widening to seven feet was considered, but was rejected at this time.

Mr. Joqua, 609 Hawthorne, asked about the width of the right-of-way.

John Huston, 588 N. Ellyn, spoke against a sidewalk in his block; showed a video of traffic in front of his home which is across from Glenbard West.

Mrs. Roberts, 585 Hawthorne, spoke against a sidewalk in front of her home.

Mr. Ellis, 593 Hawthorne, spoke in favor of a sidewalk from a point of safety, but not in the way it is proposed.

Mrs. Kenner, 605 Hawthorne, spoke against a sidewalk in front of her home.

Each Village Board member discussed each of the Capital Improvements Commission's recommendations individually. General discussion indicated strong support for the commission's recommendations.

Downtown Streetscape and Parking Study

Village Planner Michelle Stegall presented information concerning downtown proposals that were reviewed by the Police Department, Public Works Department and Planning and Development Department. The Village received a \$50,000 grant which was used to pay for the study. The Village has worked with Houseal Lavigne previously and were happy with the results.

Trustee McGinley moved and Trustee Henninger seconded the motion to waive competitive bidding and enter into an agreement with Houseal Lavigne Associates, Gary Weber Associates, Walker Parking Consultants and Engineering Resource Associates in the amount of \$50,000 for a downtown streetscape and parking study to be expensed in FY13 subject to final approval by the Village Attorney.

Upon roll call Trustees McGinley, Henninger, Hartweg, Cooper, Friedberg, and Ladesic voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Village Links Improvements Project Update

Recreation Director Matt Pekarek introduced Craig Pryde. Mr. Pryde explained that dirt at the Links needs to be moved, but kept on site, in order to expand since golf course land is primarily for storm water retention. Adjustments have to be made to retain at least the same amount of storm water as the Links does now. He displayed many renderings of the proposed exterior facade of the clubhouse, detailed the relocation of the putting greens, parking, cart storage and other areas. The preliminary plan is to expand to accommodate a bar, dining room, separate banquet room, a pro shop, and covered patio. Code variations would be needed for exterior ground lighting and accent lighting. Village Board members asked questions concerning proposed capacity, kitchen plans and the floodplain.

Director Pekarek continued that there is a storm water detention meeting scheduled for Wednesday morning to investigate the specifics of what would needed to be done. The cost of construction has increased to \$6,300,000 since his last update. By eliminating some items and doing some work in-house, the cost could be reduced about \$1,867,000. Projected additional income during construction and after construction was presented. The length of service and the results-oriented attitude of staff was stressed.

Each Village Board member asked questions of Director Pekarek followed by comments by the Village Board. Director Pekarek anticipates that existing staff would do the marketing of the restaurant. He explained that no action is requested now, but this project would come back to the Village Board for approval for variations and approval of contracts that have gone out for bid.

Discussion ensued concerning the need for a business/marketing plan; the desire to see a more detailed interior plan; and funding information i.e. how the project will be paid for/can the project be changed to make it more affordable. Director Pekarek will continue to provide updates.

Adjournment

At 10:50 p.m. Trustee Cooper moved and Trustee Ladesic seconded the Motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation, adjourning thereafter without returning to open session.

Trustees Ladesic, Cooper, Friedberg, Hartweg, Henninger and McGinley voted "Aye." Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne R. Connors,
Village Clerk