

CALL TO ORDER

President Miller calls to order the Village of East Dundee Special Village Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Wood, Selep, Andresen, Kunze and President Miller. Trustees Lynam and Mahony were absent.

Also in attendance Administrator Jennifer Johnsen, Assistant Administrator Brad Mitchell, Chief of Police George Carpenter, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Associate Attorney Caitlyn Culbertson and Village Clerk Katherine Holt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):

Phillip Baerwolf – Associate Pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church and East Dundee resident

Mr. Baerwolf urged the Village Board to not allow recreational marijuana businesses within 1,500 feet of the church or school campus. He asked the Board to be in agreement with the Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendations.

Sue Domeier – Principal of Immanuel Lutheran School

Ms. Domeier voiced her concerns for the safety of children if retail cannabis facilities are allowed in the community. She asked the Village to not put a retail store within 1,500 feet of Immanuel Lutheran.

Tobin Schroeder – Carpentersville resident

Mr. Schroeder said his children attend Immanuel Lutheran School. He expressed concern that parents may not send their children to the school if a dispensary is located nearby.

Tom Roeser – Otto Engineering, 2 E. Main Street, Carpentersville

Mr. Roeser stated that he is a major investor in the downtown depot area and does not think the cannabis business is the type of business wanted in the downtown. He said he is not in favor of this business being in town at all, but asked that if it is to be located in town, to locate it in the industrial park.

Randy Johnson – East Dundee resident

Mr. Johnson stated that he has been a Dundee area resident since 1983 and is also the Chairman of the Board at Immanuel Lutheran Church. He asked the Board to agree with the Planning & Zoning recommendation of locating Cannabis facilities East of Route 25.

Rev. William Yonker – Senior Pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church

Rev. Yonker stated that medicinal marijuana has pain killing benefits. However, he said recreational marijuana causes intoxication and there are a lot of unanswered things yet regarding safety and propriety.

Lucy Delap – East Dundee resident

Mrs. DeLap said the decision on where cannabis facilities are to be located should be based on what's practical. She said this is an opportunity to have some fiscal revenue that will be beneficial to the village and agrees that the downtown is not necessarily the right place for it. She feels that Route 72 and 25 has an ideal location with ample parking that has stood vacant for a long time.

Chris Wendt – Business Manager at Immanuel Lutheran Church

Mr. Wendt said that locating cannabis businesses in the Route 25 and Route 72 area would be easier for traffic. He said there is no good reason to locate these businesses in the downtown.

Kevin Slota – Owner of Vapor Haus of Dundee

Mr. Slota described the difference between cannabis with intoxicant and cannabis without. He advised to be aware of the differences between cannabis products when writing the law.

Cliff Surges – Property owner of 210 N. River St., East Dundee

Mr. Surges said that he joined Immanuel Lutheran in 1990. He said that he is in favor of the proposed cannabis overlay district and protecting the churches and schools. He encouraged the Board to be a little more conservative at this time and make any adjustments in the future.

Tim Delap – East Dundee resident

Mr. Delap said that there is a concept in our country of separation of Church and State. He said that he resents a church telling him what he can and cannot buy, sell or do in his town.

Larry Freeman

Mr. Freeman disagreed and said that there is no separation of Church and State. He said the only separation is that the State cannot name a religion. He said that everyone has a choice and should use common sense wisely.

Dave Swanson – East Dundee resident

Mr. Swanson said he has been a resident for 50 years and served on the Planning and Zoning Commission for 22 years. He believes that the best thing to do in this situation, as in past situations, is to place this type of business into a separate area of the town.

CONSENT AGENDA-CONSIDERATION OF AN “OMNIBUS VOTE”:

Illinois Municipalities may adopt by a single roll call vote of the Village Board and Village President, a group of assorted ordinances, resolution, motions and orders by an “Omnibus Vote”. The “Omnibus Vote” shall be taken following the unanimous consent by the President and Board as to the items to be included. Any Trustee or the President may request that any item not be included in that vote.

- A. Motion to Approve the Special Village Board Meeting Minutes Dated February 3, 2020**
- B. Motion to Approve a Resolution Approving a Request for Permit to Close State of Illinois Highway, State Route 72, from the Illinois Department of Transportation in Connection with the Annual Memorial Day Parade 2020**

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Wood/Kunze.

Roll: Ayes – 4 – Trustees Wood, Selep, Andresen and Kunze. Nays – 0. Absent – 2 – Trustee Lynam and Mahony. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS: None

Trustee Mahony arrived to the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 157 of the Village of East Dundee Village Code Relative to Adult-Use and Medical Cannabis Business Establishments**

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 157 of the Village of East Dundee Village Code Relative to Adult-Use and Medical Cannabis Business Establishments by Andresen/Wood.

Discussion:

Administrator Johnsen summarized that the Village Board met on December 9 and made cannabis zoning regulation recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Commission met on February 5 for a public hearing regarding the proposed code amendments. Ultimately the Commission proposed different regulations. After much discussion, the Village Board was in agreement with the Commission's recommendations to allow cultivation centers and dispensaries within the proposed overlay districts, to allow cannabis uses only by special use permit and to increase the parking requirement to a minimum of 20 parking spaces. There was also consensus of the Board to allow dispensaries to locate along either side of Route 25, something the Commission was not in favor of.

Johnsen went on to explain that there is an additional ordinance to be considered by the Board this evening that did not go before the Planning and Zoning Commission because it includes proposed business regulations that do not relate to the zoning code. She said this ordinance incorporates regulations required by the State's Act, but also includes regulations the Village Board had agreed upon at the December 9 meeting.

Trustee Andresen withdrew his original motion and Trustee Wood withdrew her second motion.

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 157 of the Village of East Dundee Village Code Relative to Adult-Use and Medical Cannabis Business Establishments to Accept the Recommendations Presented by the Planning and Zoning Commission but to also Allow at Properties East of Route 25, Fronting Route 25 and the River Valley Square property only on the West side of Route 25 by Wood/Andresen.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Wood, Selep, Mahony, Andresen and Kunze. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Lynam. Motion carries.

B. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Village of East Dundee Village Code Relative to Cannabis Business Establishments and Cannabis Regulations

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Village of East Dundee Village Code Relative to Cannabis Business Establishments and Cannabis Regulations by Wood/Andresen.

Discussion:

Trustee Andresen asked if requiring a minimum of 20 parking spaces is a little excessive. President Miller responded that if the business is a right fit, arrangements could be made to alter the amount of spaces required.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Trustees Wood, Selep, Mahony, Andresen and Kunze. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Lynam. Motion carries.

C. Presentation by Dundee Township on Mental Health Board Referendum

Trish Glee, Dundee Township Supervisor, introduced a referendum item called the '708 Mental Health Board' that will appear on the ballot March 17. She described statistics supporting the need for this Board. She explained that the 708 Board will consist of 7 volunteer Dundee Township residents appointed by the Township Supervisor. She advised that this Board will ensure that the proper services are in the Township to help the people of the Township. She said to call her office at 847-428-8092 x1 or visit www.dundee township.org for further information.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

A. Warrants List #1 \$152,757.68

The Warrants List was noted to the Board.

Reports: VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Lynam: None
Selep: None
Wood: None
Mahony: None
Andresen: None
Kunze: None

Reports: VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR and STAFF

Village President: None
Village Administrator: None
Assistant Village Administrator: None
Village Attorney: None
Village Engineer: None
Police Chief: Carpenter announced that Deputy Chief Michael Governale advised plans to retire in May after 29 years of service.
Public Works Director: None
Building Official: None
Finance Director: None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on the Agenda):

Tim Bishop

Mr. Bishop said that he heard that the Zoning Commission discussed the possibility of having a cannabis dispensary at the River Valley Square property. He mentioned that there is a daycare facility located at the north end of that property and voiced his concern for that.

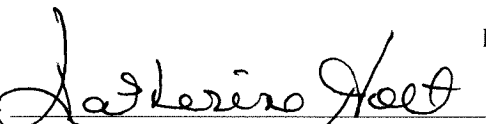
EXECUTIVE SESSION: No

Motion to adjourn the Regular Village Board Meeting at 7:22 p.m. by Andresen/Kunze.
Meeting adjourns by unanimous consent.

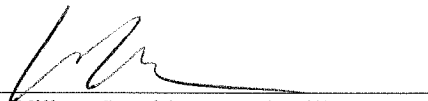
Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Holt

Attest:


Village Clerk, Katherine Holt

By:


Village President, Lael Miller