

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL:

Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Saviano, Sauder, and President Lynam. Trustees Brittin and Treiber were absent.

Also in attendance are Administrator Erika Storlie, Chief of Police Josh Fourdyce, Director of Public Works Phil Cotter, Management Intern Caleb Haydock, Village Engineer Joe Heinz, Attorney Kelley Gandurski and Clerk Katherine Diehl.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. **Motion to Approve the Regular Village Board Meeting Minutes Dated May 6, 2024**
- b. **Motion to Accept the Warrants Lists in the Amount of \$ 889,499.72**
- c. **Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Village to Waive Competitive Bidding and Enter into an Agreement with Albrecht Enterprises, Inc. for the Demolition and Removal of 2 and 4 N Van Buren Street**

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda by Kunze/Mahony.

Roll: Ayes – 5 – Mahony, Kunze, Saviano, Sauder and President Lynam. Nays – 0. Absent – 2 – Brittin and Treiber.

Motion carries.

*President Lynam casted his vote for **Consent Agenda item c** later in the meeting, immediately following the vote for Agenda Item d.*

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. **Swearing in of Sergeant Kevin Lawson**

Chief Fourdyce provided an overview of Lawson’s law enforcement career and accomplishments. Clerk Diehl swore in Sergeant Kevin Lawson.

- b. **Discussion of the Possibility of Adding a Performing Arts Venue in the Downtown**

CEO and Executive Director of the Raue Center for the Arts, Richard Kuranda, provided a presentation of ideas for the possibility of a performing arts venue in downtown East Dundee.

- c. **Downtown Parking Garage Final Design Discussion**

Administrator Storlie stated that the Planning, Zoning and Historic Commission has reviewed some of the final proposals for the garage design and has decided on a final version. She has brought this forth to the Village Board to either endorse the selection or to go in another direction. After some discussion and review of various brick color/design samples, there was consensus to choose brick colors “Illini Common” and “Adrian”, arched windows design for the elevator tower, regular Non-Class A façade finish and flat black paint.

- d. **Motion to Approve an Ordinance Providing for the Issuance of not to exceed \$6,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, in one or More Series for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Certain Capital Projects in the Village, Refunding Certain Outstanding Obligations of the Village, Providing for the Levy and Collection of a Direct Annual Tax Sufficient to Pay the Principal of and Interest on said Bonds, and Authorizing the Proposed Sale of Said Bonds to the Purchaser Thereof**

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Discussion:

Administrator Storlie explained that the construction timeline is to break ground in July with a target date of completion of November 2024. She explained that the proposed funding for this project will come from multiple sources which include grants, TIF funding and a bond. McHugh is currently bidding out the project. Once a final cost is provided, the construction contract will return to the Village Board for approval for a final amendment with detailed pricing. She advised that the Village had an increased credit rating last week and therefore, will save substantial interest costs and can refinance an existing bond from 2012 at lower interest. Storlie went on to say that this is a general obligation bond, and municipalities receive good rates on these bonds because they have the ability to levy a tax to pay them. She reiterated that for the duration of this project, the Village does not intend to levy any tax to pay for this garage. She advised that the Village has almost \$1 million in grants from the state of Illinois, \$1.5 million in TIF funding, and the remaining portion will be borrowed. When repaying the debt, she explained that the Village will use BDD tax and other options that wouldn't include any tax on the residents. Trustee Kunze asked if grants could still be applied for in the future. Storlie responded that the Village will continue to pursue any and all grants and some can offset different parts of the project.

Storlie closed by stating that the parking garage is an investment and an economic engine in it of itself. She stated that the garage is one of the biggest reasons that the Raue Center for the Arts is interested in coming to East Dundee and it is a big economic driver. The garage will help in the success of the downtown establishments, where there are opportunities to add more commercial space. She said the economics make sense and this would not be recommended if the Village felt the return on investment was not there. The garage aligns with the Village's long-term goals.

Roll: Ayes – 4 – Mahony, Kunze, Saviano and Sauder. Nays – 0. Absent – 2 – Brittin and Treiber.
Motion carries.

REPORTS: VILLAGE PRESIDENT and BOARD

Lynam: Thanked Public Works for attempting to retrieve a resident's cell phone from the storm sewer. He also thanked for the mowing an overgrown area in the Northgate Manor neighborhood.

Brittin: None

Kunze: Thanked Public Works for having tree trimming done on the Haeger property.

Mahony: Thanked all who were involved in the efforts of the closing of the Haeger property. Next, she asked Bill Zelsdorf if the Saturday market is slow to get started. Bill stated that there were graduations last weekend and a community-wide garage sale in the area that may have caused attendance numbers to be down. Lastly, Mahony asked President Lynam if he could advise on his recommendations for The Depot Council and if this could appear on the next meeting agenda. President Lynam advised that he would do this.

Sauder: Asked if the previously village acquired parking lot near Haeger can be open for public parking. Storlie stated that she would like Police and Public Works to look at it to make sure there is safe entry and exit to it. Then the Village will place signs there to allow for public parking for the time being. He suggested placing bike parking signs at the lot by the trail to encourage bicyclists to park there instead of in the congested, busier areas as a temporary solution.

Saviano: Reported that the Wall that Heals is coming next week and she has volunteered to place flags by the VFW tomorrow and sign in the motorcyclists for the ride that comes through town.

Treiber: None

REPORTS: STAFF

Village Administrator: None

Village Attorney: Gandurski congratulated the Village on the closing of the acquisition of the Haeger property and thanked all who were involved that helped make it happen.

Police Chief: Fourdyce reported that the Wall that Heals procession is expected to come through East Dundee around 4-4:15 p.m. on Wednesday.

Public Works Director: None

Building Inspector: None

Finance Director: None

Village Engineer: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Motion to adjourn the Regular Village Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. by Mahony/Kunze.


Roll: Ayes – 5 – Mahony, Kunze, Saviano, Sauder and President Lynam. Nays – 0. Absent – 2 – Brittin and Treiber.

Motion carries. Meeting Adjourns.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Diehl

Attest: Katherine Diehl
Village Clerk, Katherine Diehl

By: 
Village President, Jeffrey Lynam