

CALL TO ORDER

President Lynam calls to order the Village of East Dundee Special Village Board Meeting at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also in attendance: Village Administrator Erika Storlie, Chief of Police George Carpenter, Director of Public Works Phil Cotter, Building Inspector Chris Ranieri, Village Attorney Lance Malina and Clerk Katherine Diehl.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only): None

CONSENT AGENDA: None

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Discussion and Consideration of the Illinois Water and Sewer Assistance Charge

Administrator Storlie explained that Illinois passed a state law last year that allows municipalities to implement a charge that would assist residents who endure hardships paying for water and sewer services. She stated that similar assistance programs exist for ComEd and Nicor. Trustee Kunze asked if there was a reason this had to go through the State instead of being implemented locally. The Board agreed to discuss this further at a future meeting and to also include discussion of the Village's late payment fees.

b. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Village of East Dundee Village Code Regarding Video Gaming Terminal Fees

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Village of East Dundee Village Code Regarding Video Gaming Terminal Fees by Kunze/Mahony.

Discussion:

Administrator Storlie explained that this does not affect the amount of money collected by the Village. This only affects the split of who pays the terminal fee between the gaming company and the establishment housing the terminals.

Roll: Ayes – 5 - Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano and Treiber. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

c. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 116 of the Village of East Dundee Village Code to Add a New Class A-2 Liquor License to Allow for the Sale of Beer and Wine for On-Premises Consumption

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Chapter 116 of the Village of East Dundee Village Code to Add a New Class A-2 Liquor License to Allow for the Sale of Beer and Wine for On-Premises Consumption by Mahony/Saviano.

Discussion:

Trustee Brittin asked if alcohol will only be served in its original container. A representative of Spartan Axe Throwing advised that alcohol will be served in cans only.

Roll: Ayes – 5 - Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano and Treiber. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

d. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Increasing the Number of Class A-2 Liquor Licenses (Spartan Axe Throwing)

Discussion:

Building Inspector Ranieri explained that Due to the property being located within 100 yards of a residential structure, Village code requires a solid 8-foot fence surrounding the entire beer garden. He stated that staff recommends retaining the 8-foot solid fence requirement along the easternmost part of the property which abuts the residential structure. Ranieri further explained that a landscape buffer of tall plantings in between the decorative fence on the east wall and the yet-to-be installed solid fence on the east wall is recommended.

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Increasing the Number of Class A-2 Liquor Licenses (Spartan Axe Throwing) with the conditions that an 8-foot solid fence be erected on the east side of the property and the beer garden shall be occupied by no more than 40 people by Kunze/Brittin.

Roll: Ayes – 5 - Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano and Treiber. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

e. Motion to Discuss an Ordinance Amending the Number of Video Gaming Permits (Spartan Axe Throwing)

Motion to Discuss an Ordinance Amending the Number of Video Gaming Permits (Spartan Axe Throwing) Brittin/Mahony. Motion Passes my unanimous consent.

Discussion:

The applicant explained that adding the video gaming element would help facilitate with crowd control as it adds another recreational element to the venue. Trustee Brittin voiced her concern that the addition of video gaming may make the establishment feel more like a bar atmosphere. She also voiced her concern that it is appearing that anyone who applies for a video gaming will automatically be approved for one.

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending the Number of Video Gaming Permits (Spartan Axe Throwing) Kunze/Saviano.

Roll: Ayes – 4 - Trustees Kunze, Saviano, Treiber and President Lynam. Nays – 2 Trustees Mahony and Brittin. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

f. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending the Village of East Dundee Village Code Regarding Signage in Historic Districts

Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending the Village of East Dundee Village Code Regarding Signage in Historic Districts by Kunze/Mahony.

Discussion:

Administrator Storlie explained that after receiving feedback from Planning and Zoning Commission members regarding the process for approving signage in historic districts, staff is recommending that this be approved administratively rather than through the Commission. Trustee Mahony stated that a business should not be told to alter their logo, such as changing to a certain font. Trustee Kunze said that there should be guidelines to follow and the review process should follow the guidelines and not be subjective by those reviewing. Storlie advised that staff will review the sign guidelines and see if they need a more refined direction.

Roll: Ayes – 5 - Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano and Treiber. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

g. Motion to Approve the Special Village Board Meeting Minutes Dated January 10, 2022

Motion to Approve the Special Village Board Meeting Minutes Dated January 10, 2022 by Kunze/Mahony.

Roll: Ayes – 5 - Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano and Treiber. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion passes.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

A. Warrants List \$169,924.95

REPORTS: VILLAGE PRESIDENT and BOARD

Lynam: Reported that yesterday he took part in a goodbye ceremony for Immanuel Lutheran's Pastor Baerwolf. He said he was honored to present Pastor Baerwolf with a proclamation on behalf of the Village of East Dundee.

Brittin: None

Kunze: Thanked Public Works for their efforts of salting and snow removal over the weekend. He stated that he feels East Dundee should salt Route 72 if IDOT is not able to get to it in a timely manner. Public Works Director said that he can certainly revisit this with the IDOT Superintendent.

Mahony: None

Sauder: None

Saviano: None

Treiber: None

REPORTS: STAFF

Village Administrator: None

Assistant Village Administrator: None

Village Attorney: None

Police Chief: None

Public Works Director: None

Building Official: None

Finance Director: None

Village Engineer: None

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on the Agenda):

Cliff Surges – Member of Immanuel Lutheran Church

Surges thanked the Village for proclaiming January 23, 2022, as Pastor Baerwolf Day. He stated that Immanuel is not just a church but is a church school that reaches families generationally. He said yesterday's service was packed with well-wishers for the Pastor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Yes

Motion to adjourn the Regular Village Board meeting at 7:25 p.m. to Executive Session for (c)(1) Personnel by Kunze/Mahony.

Roll: Ayes – 6 – Trustees Mahony, Kunze, Brittin, Saviano, Treiber and President Lynam. Nays – 0. Absent – 1 – Trustee Sauder. Motion carries.

The Village Board will not be taking any action in Executive Session and will therefore, not be returning to the Special Board Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Diehl

Attest: Katherine Diehl
Village Clerk, Katherine Diehl

By: Jeffrey Lynam
Village President, Jeffrey Lynam