

MINUTES OF THE **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**
OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD AT VILLAGE HALL, **July 30, 2024**

The Board Meeting was called to order at 6:43PM by Mayor Ronald J. Gardiner. The audience was led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Upon Roll Call by Village Deputy Clerk **Carolyn D. Williamson**, the following Trustees responded: **Brown, Clark, Lynch, Rolle, Taylor, Williams**

REMOTE participations The meeting was conducted at Village Hall; no requests for remote participation were made.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: **Brian D. Mitchell**, Village Administrator; **John Donahue**, Village Attorney; Village Treasurer, **Toleda Hart**, Chief **Derek Peddycord**, Police; Chief **Kevin Welsh**, Fire/Building; **Dave Shilling**, Village Engineer, **Joe Benoit**, Public Works Director, **Phil Robbins**, Glenwoodie Golf Course

ABSENT: **None**

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE- 6:43 P.M.

Discussion: Attorney John Donahue explains what an Appropriation Ordinance is and why an Appropriations Ordinance is needed. He states government entities need to appropriate their funds and the reason we have an Appropriations Ordinance because there is a statute that says Village should do it. He also states we are Home Ruled which means the Village's power comes from the Illinois Legislation.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Eric Slaughter- Forest Resident

Mr. Slaughter requested a copy of the Ordinance. He only had a copy of the agenda. **Treasurer Hart** gave him a copy of the Ordinance.

Leon Moore- Brookwood Point Resident

Had concerns on where the Appropriations Ordinance numbers were coming from. He states we should put our best foot forward into getting accurate numbers. He noted numerous errors in the Appropriations. **Mr. Moore** also thanks **Deputy Director Joe Benoit** and the **Public Works** for their great job during the storm. Next **Mr. Moore** states there are concerns among the citizens regarding how they can get input into the budget process. Finally, he is requesting a summary of the Treasury report. He suggests this should be put online for transparency purposes.

Michelle Mosley- Brookwood Point Resident-

Michelle also had issues with the numbers in the Appropriations Ordinance. She states there are several discrepancies in the numbers and asked for clarification. She asked the Board to carefully consider the Appropriations.

Princeton Rogers Glenwood Estates Resident

Mr. Rogers had concerns regarding Chug-a-Lug. He states the loud music, gunshots and the loitering is very disturbing. He would like the Village to act. **Mayor Gardiner** says this item on the agenda tonight to be resolved and if the Ordinance on the agenda does not work, the Village will keep escalating the issue until there is a resolution.

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Robert Murdock- Glenwood Estates Resident

Mr. Murdock had concerns regarding the park over in the Glenwood Estates was vandalized and had graffiti. **Mayor Gardiner** stated Public Works took care of this issue this afternoon.

He also had concerns regarding Chug-A-Lug's loud music and loitering. Lastly Mr. Murdock had concerns regarding kids gathering on Illinois street. He asked Deputy Chief Wilbanks if Glenwood gets outmanned, if the surrounding communities could assist.

Judith Mims- Glenwood Estates Resident- Ms. Mims addressed the Board regarding the Levee. to please consider the vote carefully regarding the Levee. She states the meeting with the Cook County Assessor last week taxed the Southland astronomically. **Mayor Gardiner** says this will be addressed with the Mayors and Managers. Ms. Mims also stated she heard the loud noise at Chug-A-Lug. Lastly Ms. Mims thanks Public Works and **Sgt. Cotton** from the Police department for their assistance in the community.

Leon Moore- Brookwood Point Resident

Mr. Moore addressed the Board with the Village is in crunch time with obtaining new hires for the Police and Fire/EMT departments. He states with the upcoming budget, the Board must consider incentives to attract candidates for the Police and Fire Departments. He states from a Police and Fire Commission point of view, we must invest in our Police and Fire department. Finally, he states the Village is not competitive and the Board will have to consider the budget and appropriations so the Village can be competitive.

Barbara Newby- Glenwood Estates Residents

Ms. Newby had concerns regarding the **Ordinance stating the business must** close within 30 minutes after the time they can no longer sell liquor. She does not think that will solve issue because the people will still loiter in the parking lot or find somewhere else near by to go.

Zan Reed- Glenwood Estates Residents

Ms. Reed had concerns regarding Chug-a-Lug on S. Halsted Street. She states the music is loud, there is a great deal of loitering at 2:00 a.m. and various disturbances such as fights and shootings. She is asking the Village to please act on a plan against Chug -a-Lug. She says there will be more issues with the Casino coming nearby. She wants the community to grow and to be safe. Finally, Ms. Reed thanked **Deputy Director Joe and the Public Works** team for the great job they have done in the Estates and her home regarding the storm. She also thanked Carolyn Williamson for her assistance at the Village Hall.

VA Mitchell addressed **Mayor Gardiner** stating as the Budget Officer, he directs Bryan Janssen and Adam Metz to prepare a budget with no increases to the levy.

COMMUNICATIONS MAYORS OFFICE:

Mayor Gardiner thanked **Joe Benoit** and the Public Works team for their efforts cleaning up after this horrific storm.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

1. Approval of an Ordinance amending section 10-46 of the Village's code of Ordinances to require that restaurants and clubs with liquor licenses close within 30 minutes after the time they can no longer sell liquor.

Trustee Lynch made the motion and seconded by Trustee Rolle

Discussion: Attorney John explained the ordinance goes back to the 70's where there were no requirements for the establishment to close once their liquor license expires. This Ordinance was made with language to say people cannot linger around and have so much time to clear the parking lot.

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Trustee Williams states the issues are happening in the parking lot and not in the establishment. He is requesting language to solve the issue in the parking lot as well as the establishment. Mayor Gardiner agreed that was a good idea and Attorney John will amend to include that language once we pass this original Ordinance.

Trustee Clark states there should be an Ordinance stating there should be no loitering of any kind.

Trustee Rolle asked Attorney John if the Ordinance was passed tonight, how long would it take to go into effect and would he work on the amendment. **Attorney John** says generally ten days for the Ordinance to go into effect and he will check on language for no loitering in the parking lot. He believes there is an Ordinance already out for the parking lot.

Trustee Lynch wants to create an Ordinance for all business and not just Chug-A-Lug who have large crowds and late hours. He says there should be off-duty officers and a ratio of parking spaces in their parking lot.

Mayor Gardiner wants the public to know there are only two liquor licenses in the Village of Glenwood.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Brown, Clark, Lynch, Rolle, Taylor, Williams

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes, motion approved.

2. Approval of an Ordinance Making Appropriations for the Village of Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2024, ending April 30, 2025.

Trustee Lynch made the motion and seconded by Trustee Taylor

Discussion: Finance Operations Manager, **Bryan Janssen** gave an overview. He states this is not the budget, it is an Appropriations Ordinance. The finance team took a systematic approach.

Trustee Brown wanted clarity regarding Public Works Salary. Bryan Janssen and Adam Metz explained Public Works Director comes from two lines, Public Works and Sewer and Water.

Trustee Rolle had a question as to why the Senior Center Director's salary is in the Ordinance. Bryan and Adam explained he used last year's template and although we do not have a Senior position in the template, it gives us the option to use it.

Attorney John says the Appropriations is misleading to the public; however, it is needed because if the Village wants to spend money, it has to be appropriated for. The appropriations is much higher than the budget.

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Treasurer Hart added to Attorney John's statement that the budget and the levy are just saying that the Appropriations should not be increased. Because the Village has a Capital Improvement Plan, the big-ticket items can be increased.

Trustee Lynch asked Adam why Capital Improvement was not included in the budget. Adam explained that would be an item in the budget. Lastly Trustee Lynch asked the Finance team how close the Village to the Appropriations from at least the last 2-3 years are. Adam says things are not as detrimental as originally thought. Lastly, Trustee Lynch asked Bryan had he looked at the budget worksheets. Bryan said he had looked at this year's worksheets and worked through it. The things that is slowing down the audit are things like payroll because of the new system and other receipts.

Trustee Lynch moved to amend the motion to keep the levy flat. He would like the Village to be downsized by \$300,000. He would like the \$25,356.996. Trustee Taylor seconded and amended her motion as well.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Brown, Clark, Lynch, Rolle, Taylor, Williams

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes, motion approved.

ENGINEERING

Dave Schilling

Approval of a Gallagher Asphalt proposal not to exceed \$215,000 for the hot-in-place resurfacing of streets within the Forest Subdivision.

Trustee Lynch made the motion and seconded by Trustee Rolle

Discussion: **Trustee Lynch** asked if there can be a re-rating of the streets to see which ones needs the most work. He also wants to know which street will be affected. He lastly states weeds and debris in the Manor looks bad and would like Public Works to look at that area.

Trustee Brown asked if Dave or Public Works can look at Young street where the street curves into Center Street. She would like a sign or reflectors because it's dangerous coming around that curve.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes: 0 Recues: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Brown, Clark, Lynch, Rolle, Taylor, Williams

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes, motion approved.

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OLD BUSINESS

Chief Welsh invited the Board to a Mabas Event. He stated the information was email.

Mayor Gardiner extended an invitation to National Night out next Tuesday.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Trustee Williams moved the motion; **Second by Trustee Clark** second the motion as read.

Upon Roll Call: Ayes: 6 Naes 0: Recues:0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Ayes: Brown, Clark, Lynch, Rolle, Taylor, Williams

Naes: 0

Recues: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Approved: Yes

ADJOURNMENT: July 30, 2024, regular board meeting was adjourned @ 8:30PM.


Carolyn D. Williamson, Deputy Clerk