

MINUTES
WINNETKA VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
January 21, 2025

(Approved: February 18, 2025)

A record of a legally convened regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Winnetka, which was held at the Council Chambers on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

- 1) Call to Order. President Rintz called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Village Manager Rob Bahan called the roll. Present: Trustees Kirk Albinson, Rob Apatoff, Tina Dalman, Kim Handler, and Bridget Orsic. Absent: Trustee Robert Dearborn. Also present: Assistant Village Manager Kristin Kazenas, Deputy Village Clerk Berina Gradjan, Village Attorney Courtney Willits, Community Development Director David Schoon, and approximately 17 persons in the audience.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance. President Rintz led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Quorum.
 - a) February 4, 2025 Regular Meeting All of the Council members present said they expect to attend with the exception of Trustee Orsic due to work obligations. Trustee Apatoff indicated he will participate remotely due to work obligations.
 - b) February 11, 2025 Study Session All of the Council members present said they expect to attend with the exception of Trustee Dalman due to work obligations.
 - c) February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting All of the Council members present said they expect to attend.
- 4) Public Comment:
 - i. Irene Smith expresses concerns regarding former Park District Board Commissioner, James Hemmings, comments in his letter of resignation. Ms. Smith commends the Zoning Board of Appeals, Village Council, and Village staff for their professionalism as it relates to the review of the Park District's plans for Centennial Beach. Additionally, Ms. Smith addresses Council regarding the reopening of Elder Beach.
- 5) Reports:
 - a) Trustees. No report.
 - b) Attorney. No report.
 - c) Manager. No report.
 - d) Village President. No report.
- 6) Establishment of the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Dalman seconded by Trustee Orsic moved to approve the Establishment of the Consent Agenda. By voice vote, the motion carried.
- 7) Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - a) Approval of Village Council Minutes

- i. December 10, 2024 Study Meeting
 - ii. December 17, 2024 Regular Meeting
 - iii. January 7, 2025 Regular Meeting
- b) Approval of the Warrant List dated December 27, 2024 – January 16, 2025 in the amount of \$961,448.93.
 - c) Resolution No. R-01-2025: Approving an Easement Agreement for the Installation and Maintenance of Utilities (931 Green Bay Road) (Adoption)
 - d) Resolution No. No. R-02-2025: Approving Change Order No. 1 to the Contract with CINTAS Corporation No. 2 for Uniform Rental and Laundry Services (Adoption)
 - e) Resolution No. No. R-08-2025: Approving the Purchase of a Public Works New Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper from Standard Equipment (Adoption)
 - f) Resolution No. No. R-09-2025: Approving the Disposal of a Public Works Skid Steer and Purchase of a New Public Works Skid Steer from Atlas Bobcat (Adoption)
 - g) Resolution No. No. R-10-2025: Approving the Disposal of the Public Works Freightliner Hook Lift and F450 Trucks and Purchase of Public Works Hook Lift Trucks from Lindco Equipment Sales (Adoption)
 - h) Resolution No. No. R-11-2025: Approving the Disposal of a Public Works Combination Unit and Purchase of a Public Works Backhoe Loader from West Side Tractor Sales Company (Adoption)
 - i) Resolution No. No. R-12-2025: Approving a Final Plat of Consolidation for the Winnetka Public Library and Library Park (768 Oak Street) (Adoption)

Trustee Handler seconded by Trustee Dalman, moved to approve the foregoing items on the Consent Agenda by omnibus vote. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Albinson, Apatoff, Dalman, Handler, and Orsic. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Dearborn.

8) Ordinances and Resolutions.

- a) Ordinance No. M-01-2025: Granting Final Approval of a Planned Development, Zoning Exceptions, a Special Use for Ground Floor Parking, and Special Use Findings for Medical and Financial Services Uses (511-515 Lincoln Avenue and 714-740 Elm Street – One Winnetka) (Public Hearing and Introduction/Adoption)

A public hearing was advertised for tonight's meeting, granting final approval of the One Winnetka planned development.

President Rintz administers the oath for members of the public providing public comment or a testimony.

The public hearing opened at 7:10pm

Community Development Director David Schoon advises Council of the refined One Winnetka proposed final planned development including changes to building height, parking, exterior building design, use of Village parking lot, location of streetscape transformer and lightning controller, and parking matters during construction. Economic Development Coordinator Liz Dechant and Mr. Schoon will provide notices regarding parking.

Additionally, Council is advised of the One Winnetka construction schedule between April 2025 through October 2026. The construction schedule consists of demolition,

foundation, vertical construction, interior buildout, public improvements, and substantial completion.

Council discusses concerns related to parking restrictions during construction and the expansion of parking into residential neighborhoods. Mr. Schoon confirms that the Village will utilize Safebuilt, a service that provides additional assistance with overseeing the construction activity and monitoring contractor parking as well as general public parking.

Additionally, Council discusses the location of the transformer and lighting controller, contractor parking, access to handicap parking spaces, matters related to leasing, proposed refinements to the development, and construction notices to neighboring residents and businesses.

Trustee Dalman suggestion that construction updates and alerts be shared via the Winnetka e-newsletter.

Public Comment

Frank Petrek addresses Council regarding obtaining an easement for a retaining wall at 711 Oak Street.

Kelly Corley addresses Council regarding construction concerns, rodent and pest control, air quality control, asbestos control, residential traffic, and safety for pedestrians.

Jim Torvik expresses concerns regarding construction traffic and parking.

Carolina Polo addresses Council regarding rodent and pest control and traffic concerns.

Lexis Serot expresses concerns regarding rodents, matters related to traffic control, and designated handicap parking spaces.

The public hearing closed at 7:58 pm.

Trustee Albinson, seconded by Trustee Dalman, moved to waive introduction of Ordinance No. M-01-2025. By voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Albinson, seconded by Trustee Dalman, moved to adopt Ordinance No. M-01-2025. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Albinson, Apatoff, Dalman, Handler, and Orsic. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Dearborn.

b) Resolution No. R-07-2025: Approving a Final Plat of Subdivision (511-515 Lincoln Avenue and 714-740 Elm Street – One Winnetka Subdivision) (Adoption)

Trustee Dalman, seconded by Trustee Apatoff, moved to adopt Resolution No. R-07-2025. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Albinson, Apatoff, Dalman, Handler, and Orsic. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Dearborn.

9) Old Business. None.

10) New Business. None.

11) Appointments: None.

12) Closed Session None.

- 13) Adjournment. Trustee Dalman, seconded by Trustee Apatoff moved to adjourn the meeting.
By voice vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

/s/ Berina Gradjan, Deputy Village Clerk
Recording Secretary