

**MINUTES
WINNETKA VILLAGE COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
September 13, 2022**

(Approved: October 18, 2022)

A record of a legally convened meeting of the Council of the Village of Winnetka, which was held at Council Chambers on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

- 1) Call to Order. President Rintz called the meeting to order at 7:13 PM. Village Manager Bahan called the roll of the Village Council. Present: Trustees Rob Apatoff, Andy Cripe, Tina Dalman, Kim Handler, and John Swierk. Absent: Trustee Bob Dearborn. Also present: Assistant Village Manager Kristin Kazenas, Village Attorney Ben Schuster, Deputy Village Clerk Berina Gradjan, Water & Electric Director Brian Keys, and 2 persons in the audience.

- 2) Public Comment.

Steve Jayason informs Council of the Chicago Furniture Bank, a non-profit organization serving the Chicagoland area that will collect used furniture, and urges staff to consider utilizing the service.

Teresa Lucas expresses her frustration regarding parking signs on Chestnut Court.

- 3) Lead Service Line Policy Discussion.

In August 2021, the State of Illinois enacted the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act. This legislation contained specific obligations for the Village of Winnetka, beginning in 2022 as it pertains to lead service lines within the Village. Water & Electric Director Brian Keys informs Council of the obligatory specifications that must be met by the State including information pertaining to lead service lines inventory, replacement of lead service lines, plan submittals, and timeline deadlines.

Brian Keys informs Council of the conditions regarding residential owner and Village replacement policies, options for residents seeking to opt out of the lead service line replacement, and financial matters pertaining to water rate increases, budgeting, repair costs, and reimbursement coverage for replacements made.

Council discusses the various policies and cost related matters of surrounding municipalities that are currently working towards the replacement of their lead service lines.

Council also discusses technical concerns regarding the lead service line replacement such as water flow and service material, Village Code provisions, and various cost replacement measures for residents and how these costs can be implemented and paid.

With an opt out option for residents choosing not to partake in the replacement of their lead service line, Council considers how prospective homeowners will be notified of the status of the lead service line and what role brokers can play in disclosing a home's information.

Trustee Dalman expresses her concern regarding public health concern matters related to the lead service lines and what measures can be taken to protect the safety of the community and young families moving into the Village.

Council discusses the measures that may be implemented moving forward to begin the replacement of lead service lines in order for the Village to be in compliance with the State requirements including providing funding for residents to protect the public health of the community.

- 4) Adjournment. Trustee Apatoff, seconded by Trustee Dalman, moved to adjourn the meeting. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Apatoff, Cripe, Dalman, Handler, and Swierk. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Bob Dearborn. The meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM.

/s/Berina Gradjan, Deputy Village Clerk
Recording Secretary