

VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD
Purpose of Hearing, Certification of Publication and Presentation of the Village's
2022 Appropriation Ordinance and Budget Materials

MINUTES
March 15, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.
2nd Floor - Board Room

Call to Order

The Public Hearing meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bellwood was called to order by Mayor Harvey at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 2023.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Andre' Harvey, Clerk Janel Moreland, Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado and Nightengale.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Village Board and others in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Harvey.

Purpose of this Public Hearing

Mayor Harvey stated the purpose of this Public Hearing is to present the 2023 Budget and Appropriation Ordinances. The mayor turned it over to Attorney Castaldo.

Attorney Castaldo: The Publication was placed in newspaper for general circulation for presentation of the budget. Attorney turned it over to the Director of Finance Willie Norfleet.

Finance Director Willie Norfleet: Read the public hearing notice that was published. The overall budget is approximately \$57 million the general fund is approximately \$30 million. What we have is the activities that's its program plans for this calendar year are inside of this budget. Most departments are the same. The public works department is the biggest change. Capital activities that are going to take place whether street repairs and we have \$½ million scheduled for streets alone that figure is going to rise and we have the flexibility to do that. The other part is having some water mains changed, sewer pumps, valves a lot of infrastructure will be worked on a composite of several millions of dollars we do have spread throughout the budget in order to do it. Most of the capital found in TIF areas is going to finance that type of activities. We're using massive amounts of TIF funds to get those infrastructures done. There's been request for various pieces of equipment. The biggest piece of equipment being requested is out of the public works department and that is for a Vacc machine. We have the finances to purchase that and it's a \$1/2 million equipment that pumps water in the sewer. There are departments that requested vehicles but it's replacement and pretty much the same. The library is the levy. The only part that concerns the library is the replacement tax for personal property. That value is over \$100K that they'll receive from that particular portion approximately \$175K. We're paying that to the library from the money that's coming in.

New Business:

None.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Public Comment:

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to open the floor for Public Comment. Trustee Holman made a motion and Trustee Ciavattone seconded to open the floor for public comment.

All Trustees were in favor to open the floor. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Harvey declared the floor for public comment open.

Madeline McGhee – Where will we be able to find this information about the budget?

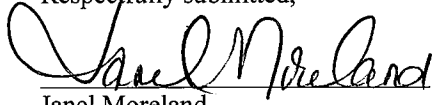
Mr. Norfleet – We have copies right now. You can get it from the village clerk’s office, or I can give it to you. She has the copy right now. The physical text is obviously done. The board is aware of it and it’s in their packet but the ordinance we have copies of that we can provide as well.

Mayor Harvey asked for a motion to close the floor for Public Comment.
Trustee Boston made a motion and Trustee Holman seconded to close the floor for public comment.
All Trustees were in favor to close the floor. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Harvey declared the floor for public comment closed.

Adjournment

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing meeting. Trustee Ciavattone moved, seconded by Trustee Holman to adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Harvey declared the meeting adjourned, with no further business to come before the Board, this meeting stands adjourned at 5:55p.m. That was the Public Hearing for the 2023 budget and appropriation ordinance. The Board Meeting will start at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,



Janel Moreland
Village Clerk