



VILLAGE OF WILMETTE

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WILMETTE, ILLINOIS HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF SAID VILLAGE HALL, 1200 WILMETTE AVENUE, WILMETTE, ILLINOIS ON TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2012.

Item:

The Village President called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

1.0 ROLL CALL:

President	Christopher S. Canning
Trustees	Alan Swanson
	Bob Bielinski
	Mike Basil
	Cameron Krueger
	Ted McKenna
	Julie Wolf

Staff Present: Timothy J. Frenzer, Village Manager
 Kathleen Gargano, Assistant Village Manager
 Michael F. Zimmermann, Corporation Counsel
 Barbara L. Hirsch, Deputy Village Clerk
 John Prejzner, Assistant to the Village Manager
 John Adler, Director of Community Development

2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2.1 Trustee Wolf moved approval of minutes of the Regular Board meeting held April 24, 2012, seconded by Trustee Basil. All voted aye, the motions carried.

3.0 PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

4.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Village Manager Timothy Frenzer said May 15, 2012 is the last day to buy vehicle stickers. They may be purchased at Village Hall or online through the Village website. Mr. Frenzer said there are substantial penalties for vehicle stickers purchased after May 15, 2012.

4.1 Consent Agenda. Trustee Bielinski moved approval of the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 6.11 Minutes, Zoning Board of Appeals.
- 6.12 Temporary Use Permit #2012-TU-12 for the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce Summerfest to be held July 13 and 14, 2012.
- 6.13 HPC Report, Case #2012-HPC-02, 2801 Iroquois regarding a request to grant local landmark status; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-21.
- 6.14 HPC Case #2012-HPC-01, 1215 Washington regarding a request to grant local landmark status; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-22.
- 6.15 ZBA Report, Case #2012-Z-16, 2911 Orchard Lane regarding a request for a variation to permit the expansion of an existing driveway in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-19.
- 6.16 ZBA Report, Case #2012-Z-18, 1533 Highland Avenue regarding a request for variations to permit the replacement and expansion of a front landing and steps on the legal nonconforming structure in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-20.

- 6.21 Presentation of the February 2012 Treasurer's Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements.
- 6.22 Presentation of the February 29, 2012 Cash and Investments Summary.
- 6.23 Presentation of the February 29, 2012 Revenue and Expense Report.

- 6.31 Minutes, Administration Committee.

- 6.41 Approval of Resolution #2012-R-13 in support of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program for Ridge Road Streetscape Enhancements.
- 6.42 Approval of contract, Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc., Skokie, IL for the 2012 Concrete Maintenance Program.

- 8.1 Notice of vacancy, Appearance Review Commission.
- 8.2 Notice of vacancy, Historic Preservation Commission.
- 8.3 Notice of vacancy, Housing Commission.
- 8.4 Notice of vacancy, Housing Commission.

- 8.5 Notice of vacancy, Historic Preservation Commission.
- 8.6 Notice of vacancy, Appearance Review Commission.
- 8.7 Notice of vacancy, Transportation Commission.
- 8.8 Notice of vacancy, Transportation Commission.
- 8.9 Notice of vacancy, Historic Preservation Commission.
- 8.91 Notice of vacancy, Housing Commission.

Trustee Basil seconded the motion. Voting yes: Trustees Swanson, Bielinski, Basil, Krueger, McKenna, Wolf, and President Canning. Voting no: none. The motion carried.

5.0 REPORT OF THE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSIONER:

No Report.

6.0 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

6.1 LAND USE COMMITTEE REPORT:

- 6.11 Presentation of minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held March 21, 2012 was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 6.12 Approval of Temporary Use Permit #2012-TU-12 for the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce Summerfest to be held July 13 and 14, 2012 was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 6.13 Historic Preservation Commission Report, Case #2012-HPC-02, 2801 Iroquois regarding a request to grant local landmark status; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-21.

The request was handled with the Consent Agenda to grant local landmark status. Ordinance #2012-O-21 was adopted with the Consent Agenda authorizing local landmark status.

- 6.14 Historic Preservation Commission Report, Case #2012-HPC-01, 1215 Washington regarding a request to grant local landmark status; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-22.

The request was handled with the Consent Agenda to grant local landmark status. Ordinance #2012-O-22 was adopted with the Consent Agenda authorizing local landmark status.

- 6.15 Zoning Board of Appeals Report, Case #2012-Z-16, 2911 Orchard Lane regarding a request for an 80.8 square foot (4.86%) front yard impervious surface coverage variation to permit the expansion of an existing driveway in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-19.

The request was handled with the Consent Agenda for an 80.8 square foot (4.86%) front yard impervious surface coverage variation to permit the expansion of an existing driveway in accordance with the plans submitted. Ordinance #2012-O-19 was adopted with the Consent Agenda authorizing the variation of this case.

- 6.16 Zoning Board of Appeals Report, Case #2012-Z-18, 1533 Highland Avenue regarding a request for an 11.93' front yard step setback variation and a 3.93' front yard landing setback variation to permit the replacement and expansion of a front landing and steps on the legal nonconforming structure in accordance with the plans submitted; adoption of Ordinance #2012-O-20.

The request was handled with the Consent Agenda for an 11.93' front yard step setback variation and a 3.93' front yard landing setback variation to permit the replacement and expansion of a front landing and steps on the legal nonconforming structure in accordance with the plans submitted. Ordinance #2012-O-20 was adopted with the Consent Agenda authorizing the variations of this case.

- 6.17 REMOVE FROM TABLE -Zoning Board of Appeals Report, Case #2012-Z-12, 1018 11th Street regarding a request for a 579.65 square foot (11.5%) total floor area variation as a modification to a previously approved request for a 372.31 square foot (6.91%) total floor area variation and a 204.5 square foot (4.06%) lot coverage variation to retain an existing non-conforming detached two-car garage in accordance with the plans submitted.

Trustee Swanson moved to remove the item from table, seconded by Trustee McKenna. All voted aye, the motion carried.

Trustee Swanson moved to grant a request for a request for a 579.65 square foot (11.5%) total floor area variation as a modification to a previously approved request for a 372.31 square foot (6.91%) total floor area variation and a 204.5 square foot (4.06%) lot coverage variation to retain an existing non-conforming detached two-car garage in accordance with the plans submitted, seconded by Trustee Basil.

President Canning noted that the request received a negative recommendation from the Zoning Board of Appeals and would need five positive votes from the Village Board for the request to be granted.

Kenneth Walter, petitioner, said he received a variation to build an addition, remove the existing 2 ½ car garage and build a 2 car garage. He said due to his financial situation at this time, he is not able to finish the addition or tear down the garage.

President Canning asked if there were any citations issued regarding failure to comply with the zoning requirements.

Mr. Walter said not at this time.

John Adler, Director of Community Development, said there was a citation issued due to the non-completion of the addition on the home. He believed there was discussion by the court on the need to remove the garage. The discussion was delayed until July so Mr. Walter could either remove the garage or apply and receive a variation to leave the existing garage, which the petitioner is doing at this time.

Trustee Swanson asked what the status is of the addition.

Mr. Walter said the outside of the addition is complete but the interior has not been finished.

Trustee Bielinski said the Zoning Board of Appeals discussed the option of deferring the enforcement, recognizing the petitioner's hardship at this time. He asked Mr. Walter if that solution would be an acceptable option.

Mr. Walter said that would depend on how much time the Village Board would allow him.

Trustee Bielinski asked Mr. Adler if there was any precedent for allowable time to defer the enforcement of the removal of the garage.

Mr. Adler said he does not recall any similar situations to the petitioner's case.

President Canning noted that the case has been ongoing since 2005 and there has been building during that time period.

Trustee Bielinski asked the petitioner what type of extended time period would be comfortable for him.

Mr. Walter said he believed 24 months would be an acceptable time.

Trustee Basil asked if the neighbors had any issue with his request.

Mr. Walter said his neighbors do not have an issue now, but he did have an issue with the neighbors at the beginning of the process.

Trustee McKenna asked if the addition has ever been inhabited.

Mr. Walter said the wall from the addition to the home has not been broken through yet. There is no heat or air conditioning in the addition at this time.

Trustee McKenna said the concept of the previous variation is that Mr. Walter was not supposed to receive a benefit from the garage and the addition but right now Mr. Walter is not receiving a benefit from the addition. He favors the lack of enforcement option versus overturning the Zoning Board of Appeals recommendation to deny the request.

Trustee Wolf asked if the ultimate plan for the façade of the home is supposed to be siding or brick.

Mr. Walter said there is siding on the addition now but he would prefer to have brick on the outside of the addition.

Trustee Wolf asked if there was a plan for the current porch area.

Mr. Walter said the porch area is supposed to be a patio that steps down into the yard but that has not been addressed yet.

Trustee Wolf said she agrees with her fellow Trustees that if the petitioner has a time frame in mind to finish the house project, she would be inclined to consider delaying the enforcement.

President Canning asked if there had been comments from any of the neighbors regarding the project.

Mr. Adler said staff did receive correspondence from neighbors during construction when there was no siding or brick on the exterior for approximately three years, and the Tyvek was ripping and making noise as well as not being visually attractive in the neighborhood. He said the Village sought to have a finished siding put on the exterior addition which is what the Village Code requires.

Trustee Swanson said he does not believe the Village Board should overturn the original variation but he would be in favor of a specific time frame or the time of seeking occupancy of the addition.

Trustee Bielinski said he agreed with Trustee Swanson and would also like a third condition stating that the garage should be removed if there is a transfer of ownership of the property.

Voting yes: none. Voting no: Trustees Swanson, Bielinski, Basil, Krueger, McKenna, Wolf and President Canning. The motion failed.

Trustee Swanson moved to direct Corporation Counsel to draft an ordinance increasing the time period of compliance for the original variation with the conditions of occupancy of the addition, the transfer of property to a new owner, and the passing of 18 months, seconded by Trustee Basil. All voted aye, the motion carried.

6.2 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

- 6.21 Presentation of the February 2012 Treasurer's Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 6.22 Presentation of the February 29, 2012 Cash and Investments Summary was handled with the Consent Agenda.

6.23 Presentation of the February 29, 2012 Revenue and Expense Report was handled with the Consent Agenda.

6.3 ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

6.31 Presentation of minutes of the Administration Committee meeting held November 8, 2011 was handled with the Consent Agenda.

6.32 Public hearing on Village of Wilmette's Plan of Operation and Governance for the Wilmette Power Purchasing Program.

President Canning opened the Public Hearing at 7:56 p.m.

President Canning asked Mark Pruitt to do a presentation of Wilmette's Plan of Operation and Governance for the Wilmette Power Purchasing Program.

Mark Pruitt said he is a Program Director for the Illinois Community Choice Aggregation Network which is a consulting firm that specializes in electricity procurement. He said he is currently working with Village staff to develop a Plan of Operation and Governance for the Municipal Aggregation Program. He anticipates moving through the process and on towards a solicitation for an electricity supplier and negotiating a contract.

He said the purpose of the public hearing this evening is to comply with the State statutory requirement that two public hearings be held with regard to the Plan of Operation and Governance. He said they are looking for the Plan to be a rather broad document that allows the municipality to undertake certain activities with regard to the aggregation. The Request for Proposal (RFP) comes afterwards and gets down to specific policy issues which are important to the municipality.

Mr. Pruitt presented a PowerPoint outlining the background of municipal aggregation, the Plan of Operation and Governance as it exists today, and the next steps from a procedural standpoint with regard to the municipal aggregation process (The presentation is attached).

Mr. Pruitt reviewed the role of the Village, consultant, supplier and services and supplies to be provided. He also noted that he has recommended no fees be charged to opt in or out of the program, or move within or out of the consortium. Mr. Pruitt stated the need for

resident confidentiality and communication. He also recommended that the vendor to be selected be involved in specific grant programs so residents would not lose the grant programs they are currently enrolled in. The bills will still be issued and received by ComEd so payment options remain the same for residents.

Trustee Swanson asked if there was a specific trend for other communities in regard to the percentage of renewable energy selected.

Mr. Pruitt said he has seen a lot of interest in 100% renewable energy but when it drives up the cost, municipalities have to decide if it is something they are comfortable with. He said he has noticed the trend is now to offer each individual resident their own level of renewable energy.

Trustee Swanson asked what the cost would be to residents from the 7% mandated renewable energy to bidding out to 50% renewable energy.

Mr. Pruitt said in the market right now, 100% renewable energy is one to two dollars more per month. The price is currently low as there is an oversupply of renewable energy credits.

Trustee Krueger asked for more information regarding renewable energy credits.

Mr. Pruitt said a renewable energy credit is a certificate of proof that one megawatt hour of energy has been generated by a renewable energy resource somewhere at some time in the country. Renewable energy is usually not generated at the same time when people need energy so there is no way to insure that renewable energy is generated at Point A and consumed at Point B. Purchasing renewable energy credits is a way to provide methodology to say that a municipality is supporting renewable energy. He said given the nature of the way electricity travels and how it is billed, it is the best option available at this time.

Trustee Krueger asked who would receive the money from a renewable energy credit.

Mr. Pruitt said generally it is the supplier, the owner of the generating asset. There are some brokers that buy renewable energy credits from wind farms with the hope that they can sell them at a higher price to another buyer.

Trustee Krueger asked where our energy comes from today and will the source be any different after we select a vendor.

Mr. Pruitt said the regional transmittal organization for Northern Illinois determines where the electricity comes from on a "day ahead basis" and a "day of" basis. The tendency is to go with the lowest cost producing energy and that will not change with the new program.

Trustee McKenna asked if it was typical for ComEd to continue the billing to residents.

Mr. Pruitt said it is typical and also preferable as it is very efficient.

Trustee McKenna asked how the new program would affect the commercial businesses.

Mr. Pruitt said it would probably not impact any commercial accounts. He said the issue of small businesses not being able to join in the program has come up in other entities. If it is of interest to the municipality, it is not difficult to put together a voluntary or "opt in" aggregation that can service those types of accounts.

Trustee Wolf asked Mr. Pruitt to clarify that if the Village purchases 50% renewable energy does that really mean we are purchasing renewable energy credits to the amount of 50%.

Mr. Pruitt said yes, if the Village purchases 50% renewable energy they are purchasing renewable energy credits to the amount of 50%.

Trustee Wolf asked what the time line would be for issuing the RFP.

Mr. Pruitt said the RFP is almost complete, he is awaiting data from ComEd, so it should go out Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

Trustee Wolf asked what type of criteria would be used to evaluate the stability of suppliers.

Mr. Pruitt said he looks at the management as well as the financials of the vendors. Additionally, he will seek for the vendor to identify any and all subcontractors that are going to be used. He also looks at what type of experience the supplier has in Illinois and other states.

Trustee Krueger asked if renewable energy credits are traded on an exchange.

Mr. Pruitt said renewable energy credits are traded on an exchange but it is a very small market.

Trustee Krueger asked if ComEd was just buying credits for 7% renewable energy or are they actually producing or sourcing 7% of the energy through renewable energy.

Mr. Pruitt said ComEd did enter into some long term power purchase agreements with wind and solar developers three years ago. Those contracts will commence June 1, 2012 and only 1/30th of the volume is from resources that are actually contracted with generating assets.

Trustee Bielinski asked how many of the suppliers will actually have production assets.

Mr. Pruitt said to be allowed to sell electricity in Illinois, one must either be a utility regulated by the Illinois Commerce Commission or a licensed retail electric supplier licensed by the Illinois Commerce Commission. The majority of retail electric suppliers are financial organizations who do not own generating assets. He said one way to look at this is to view all electrical suppliers as financial firms that specialize in trading in the electrical markets.

Trustee Bielinski said in the event a supplier runs into some type of trouble, would that be addressed in our contract.

Mr. Pruitt said by nature of how the market is structured, all the retail electrical suppliers are designated as load serving entities and it is technically an exchange as they all guarantee the delivery price and terms and conditions of their mutual members. So if a vendor did fail, the PJM exchange would be the guarantor for the wholesale portion of the price.

President Canning asked if there was anyone present who would like to address the Village Board.

Don Barshes, 2344 Pomona Lane, said he reviewed the Plan of Operation and Governance and asked the Board how they would make their decision to increase the amount of renewable energy credits beyond the 7% minimum. He also asked if a resident would have to pull out from the ComEd Smart Meter Program if they wanted to join the aggregation program.

Village Manager Timothy Frenzer said the Village Board is currently working on an RFP that would require a bidder to give proposals based on several tiers; the statutory minimum, a 50% renewable package, a 100% renewable package, and a 100% renewable choice option. The Village Board would then review all the comparative data from the bidders and make a decision.

Mr. Pruitt said program participants in several ComEd programs receive a special rate from ComEd. He has suggested that those residents with the special rates and special equipment are not interrupted by enrolling them into the program as the program is seeking a fixed rate.

Mark Kramer, 430 Laurel, said he is very excited about the chance to support and grow renewable energy in Illinois and around the country. He is encouraged about the small cost differences between the energy we have now and renewable energy. He said many other communities are going to renewable energy programs and we can track their results to assure ourselves that these programs work.

Elaine, Beck, 1239 Gregory, said she is interested in the cost of electricity now and relief from the cost. Many people have been hit with the magnitude of the rising cost of necessities. Now that the referendum has been passed, she is delighted that the Village Board has an opportunity to search for an electrical power provider than can provide relief to the rates. She encouraged the Village Board to find the lowest rate possible for residents.

Marguerite McKenna, 527 Linden, said she was very impressed by the presentation this evening. She is excited about the possible benefits to the Village from the deregulation, she is especially pleased that the fair

market will determine the price, and she hopes that the Village will be able to pay the lowest amount legally possible.

Barb Clayton, 1321 Maple, asked what the length of the contract would be for electrical aggregation.

Mr. Frenzer said bidders would provide prices for one year, two year or three years.

Trustee Basil said the Village Board's expectation would be to have a one year contract as one year contracts are usually the lowest prices but they will wait and see what prices the bidders provide.

Ms. Clayton asked if the process would be an annual event.

Mr. Frenzer said the program would already be in place but each year there would be another contract which is an opportunity to save the residents money in pricing.

Ms. Clayton asked if the Village would have a different vendor every year or every term of contract.

Mr. Pruitt said most municipalities will enter into a one year contract with the supplier with an option to renew the contract if the supplier can provide a price that meets certain benchmarks defined by the municipality. If the supplier does not meet the price, then the municipality will issue a new RFP and solicit other bidders.

Ms. Clayton asked how many vendors the Village would consider and are they from Illinois.

Mr. Pruitt said he is seeing 6-8 vendors bidding on proposals and some are national firms. In Illinois there are technically 40 vendors but only 9 or 10 operate as suppliers to municipal aggregations.

Ms. Clayton asked why the Village only grouped with Kenilworth rather than going with a larger group.

Mr. Frenzer said the bid goes out as a community profile with particular demographics and Wilmette and Kenilworth closely matched those demographics.

Ms. Clayton said she would like the Village to go forward and promote renewable energy.

Annie Aggens, 515 ½ Ridge, said she has been purchasing 100% of her household energy from renewable sources. She filled out a form and sent it in, it was very easy. She works for a local business and believes it would be nice to have an “opt in” option for the businesses. She believes Wilmette should purchase 100% renewable energy if it is only one or two dollars more per month and let others “opt out” if they did not want to pay the extra money per month.

Trudy Gibbs, 112 Hollywood, said the Village Board has received petitions from residents who are interested in renewable energy and wanting that to be part of the packet for the RFP. She said residents know that whoever the supplier is, they are making profits and residents would like to see the profits go to keep the renewable energy companies in business. She said in the Plan of Operation and Governance the Village talks about the goal being to obtain the lowest possible electricity rate for residents and small business owners and she wondered if the Village would add to that “aligned with the stated commitments of the Village to green resources”. Lastly, the Village is fortunate to have a resident who is the Sustainability Program Director for the City of Evanston and she has gone through Wilmette’s Plan of Governance line by line and has prepared some specific changes to make the Plan of Operation and Governance better, which she will submit later.

Harry Gibbs, 112 Hollywood, said his concern is cost. He believes that there is a cost to ignoring the green element as the country has spent billions of dollars on damage repair from storms that probably would not have occurred if we had not had changes in the environment. We have spent staggering amounts of money dealing with health issues related to fine particles in the air we have to breathe. If people are willing to take time to think about how they use their energy, they can save well over a dollar a month.

President Canning noted that all people had been heard that wanted to address the Village Board during the Public Hearing.

President Canning closed the Public Hearing at 9:22 p.m.

6.4 MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT:

6.41 Approval of Resolution #2012-R-13 in support of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program for Ridge Road Streetscape Enhancements was handled with the Consent Agenda.

6.42 Approval of contract in the amount of \$40,000 with Schroeder & Schroeder, Inc., Skokie, IL for the 2012 Concrete Maintenance Program was handled with the Consent Agenda.

6.5 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:

No Report.

6.6 JUDICIARY COMMITTEE REPORT:

No Report.

7.0 REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

No Reports.

8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

8.1 Notice of vacancy on the Appearance Review Commission due to the resignation of Paul Holzman was handled with the Consent Agenda.

8.2 Notice of vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission due to the term expiration of Kevin Kirkpatrick was handled with the Consent Agenda.

8.3 Notice of vacancy on the Housing Commission due to the term expiration of Polly Kuehl was handled with the Consent Agenda.

8.4 Notice of vacancy on the Housing Commission due to the term expiration of Jack Rosenberg was handled with the Consent Agenda.

8.5 Notice of vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission due to the resignation of Raymond Pruchnicki was handled with the Consent Agenda.

- 8.6 Notice of vacancy on the Appearance Review Commission due to the resignation of Julie Wolf was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 8.7 Notice of vacancy on the Transportation Commission due to the term expiration of Eileen Miller-Girson was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 8.8 Notice of vacancy on the Transportation Commission due to the term expiration of Clayton Weaver was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 8.9 Notice of vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission due to the term expiration of James McClure was handled with the Consent Agenda.
- 8.91 Notice of vacancy on the Housing Commission due to the term expiration of Gregory Braun was handled with the Consent Agenda.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS:

No Report.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Basil moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m., seconded by Trustee Wolf. All voted aye, the motion carried.

Barbara L. Hirsch
Deputy Village Clerk

Wilmette Power Purchasing Program

*Wilmette Power Purchasing
Program*

May 8, 2012

Outline

- **Municipal Aggregation**
- **Plan of Governance and Operation**
- **Next Steps**

Municipal Aggregation

- Background
 - Section 1-92 of the Illinois Power Agency Act
 - Municipalities may pool the electric loads of small commercial and residential customers located within their municipal boundaries
 - Once approved by Referendum, municipalities may negotiate electricity supply and service agreements on behalf of its residents and small businesses

Municipal Aggregation

- Wilmette
 - Placed Municipal Aggregation question on the March 20, 2012 ballot
 - Majority of electorate voted in favor of the referendum
 - Per the statute, the Village has drafted a Plan of Operation and Governance
 - Holding two public hearings
 - Will be voted on by the Village Board

Plan of Governance

- A management plan for the Aggregation
 - Required by statute
- Establishes the following:
 - Role of the Village
 - Role of the Consultant
 - Role of the Supplier
 - Services and Supplies to be provided
- Status
 - Draft Plan is completed and ready for public comment

Plan of Governance

- **Role of the Village**
 - Coordinate Plan, RFPs, and Contracts
 - Select a single Supplier
 - Monitor Supplier performance
- **Role of the Consultant**
 - Support Village planning, document preparation, market intelligence, analysis, and account enrollment
 - Review proposals from Suppliers
 - Monitor electricity market and make informed decision on when to lock-in a price

Plan of Governance

- **Supplies to be procured**
 - **Lowest Price Mix.** Meets all statutory requirements
 - **Optional Renewables.** Elevated levels of renewables that communities can choose for an added premium (50%, 100%, individual choice)
- **Services to be provided**
 - **Initial Enrollment**
 - **Ongoing membership management**
 - **Minimum customer service metrics**

Plan of Governance

- Fees
 - To Join the Program
 - Initial Opt-In (\$0)
 - Subsequent Opt-In (\$0)
 - To Exit the Program
 - Initial Opt-Out (\$0)
 - Subsequent Opt-Out (\$0)
 - Moving within the Consortium (\$0)
 - Moving out of the Consortium (\$0)

Plan of Governance

- Other requirements
 - Confidentiality
 - Consumer information must be held in confidence
 - Communications
 - Website, toll-free number, multi-lingual services
 - Percentage of Income Payment Program
 - Participants will not lose grants
 - Billing
 - Bills still issued and received by ComEd
 - Payment options are the same (budget billing, auto-payments)

Next Steps

- May 22nd Public Hearing and Consideration of Plan Approval
- If Plan of Operation and Governance approved:
 - Select Alternative Retail Electric Supplier (ARES)
 - Price lock period
 - Residents will receive a letter with the price, terms and conditions of the supplier contract
 - Residents may Opt-Out at no cost
 - ComEd will also send a letter making sure that residents want to enroll in the Program
 - Residents that do not Opt-Out will start receiving lower priced electricity starting late summer.