

2024 Civic Betterment Committee Town Meeting Minutes

The 2024 Civic Betterment Committee Town Meeting was called to order today by President Rick Scheck at 10:01 am; Saturday, November 2, 2024 at The Glen Ellyn Civic Center. A second voting site on the same day (11/2/2024) was available for voters at the Glen Ellyn Police Station. Early voting took place at the Glen Ellyn public library from October 28-30, 2024. Those present at the Town Hall included: Rick Scheck, Britta Albrecht, Barb Lemme, Mike Lullo, Steve Butkus, Chris Wilson, Zak Wilson, Becky Beilfuss, Jacquelyn Casazza, Matt Jones, and Jeff Stevenson. A quorum was present at the Civic Center Town Hall meeting with approx. 150 people present. Rick welcomed the guests. A presentation of colors by the Boy Scouts occurred, where they displayed a flag, and said the pledge of allegiance.

President Rick Scheck gave a welcome speech to Glen Ellyn residents covering the history and purpose of the Civic Betterment Committee and giving thanks to the CBC committee to make the town meeting possible. His speech included that CBC started in 1931 and that it is a process of "neighbors nominating neighbors" to find people to help govern our village. There is not a function of partisan lines, the influence of money is kept out of the process, and donations are used for yard signs, mailers, and the website; to bring awareness of the candidates to the residents. Rick thanked on behalf of the CBC committee; the League of Women Voters (LWV) for their help and hard work today and input through this cycle.

Treasurer Becky Beilfuss presented the Treasurer's report: at the end of Oct. 31 2024, the beginning balance was \$4,257.15, we collected \$2,669.52 and spent \$3,731.19. The ending balance was \$3,195.48. There was a donation/collection jar at the voting booth. The Treasurer Becky Beilfuss and CBC Member Chris Wilson counted cash donations from the jar when the polls closed at 4:00 p.m. and the total was \$726.

Secretary Britta Albrecht read the Town Meeting minutes from 2022. They were approved as read.

President Rick Scheck presented new business, including three resolutions, 1) a new name "Civic Betterment Committee." It was passed. 2) a resolution to approve CBC's new bylaws. It was passed and approved, and 3) a resolution to nominate new CBC Officers, including President: Britta Albrecht, Vice President: Jeff Stevenson, Nominating Committee Chair: Becky Beilfuss, and Secretary: Jacquelyn Casazza. All were passed and approved. Rick Scheck also presented 2024/25 CBC committee members. Those nominated were Britta Albrecht, Becky Beilfuss, Rick Scheck, Jeff Stevenson, and Zak Wilson. There were no nominations from the floor; nominations were closed, slate accepted by acclamation.

President Rick Scheck presented Village Trustee candidates slated by the CBC nominating committee, who gave 2:00 minute speeches. For Village President there is one (1) open position, including Mark Senak and Gary Fasules. For Village Clerk there is one (1) open position, including Caren Cosby. For Village Trustee there are three (3) open positions, including Anne Gould, Sonia Bhagwakar, Kelley Kalinich, Norris Eber, and Ian Dawson. Nominating Committee Chair Zak Wilson presented the Library Trustee candidates who also

gave 2:00 minute speeches. There are 4 open positions and include the following Beth Murin, Chris Crawford, Kay Fillingham, and Andrew Savikas (to carry out the 2-year term). Nominations closed.

The Meeting portion was suspended at 11:06 a.m., to be reconvened when the vote count was completed. Polls remained opened until 4:00 p.m.

Offsite voting took place from 8-2 pm at the Glen Ellyn Police Station on November 2, 2024. Those present included: Jim Meyers, Mark Pfefferman, Mike Klingele.

The meeting reconvened at 3:09 to find out results of candidates that moved to the ballot. Here are the number of affidavits, therefore number of voters outlined:

Total affidavits: 1447

President Rick Scheck provided a thanks to all candidates and encouraged all, even those who may not have made it this time around, to continue participating in civic duties.

The Village President that advanced to appear on the ballot includes:

1. Gary Fasules:720

The Village Clerk that advanced to appear on the ballot includes:

1. Caren Cosby: 949 votes

The Village Trustees that advanced to appear on the ballot include:

1. Anne Gould: 834 votes
2. Sonia Bhagwakar: 809 votes
3. Kelley Kalinich: 677 votes

The runners up include: Norris Eber: 583, Ian Dawson: 527

The Library Trustees that advanced to appear on the ballot include:

1. Beth Murin: 958 votes
2. Chris Crawford: 955 votes
3. Kay Fillingham: 933 votes
4. Andrew Savikas: 911 votes (to carry out the 2-year term)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Britta Albrecht
Secretary, Civic Betterment Committee