

Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, January 5, 2017.**

Mayor Gunter called the meeting to order at **6:00 P.M.**

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymski P

TRUSTEES: Addington P Barker P
Barry P Guzzo A
Liddle P Nero P

STAFF:

May (Village Mgr)	<u>P</u>	Parker (Finance Director)	<u>P</u>	Ziegler (Community Development Director)	<u>P</u>
Crane (H.R. Director)	<u>A</u>	McIntyre (Communications Director)	<u>P</u>	Liljeberg (I.T. Manager)	<u>P</u>
Chief Gunther (Police Dept.)	<u>P</u>	Dep Chief Brenza (Police Dept.)	<u>A</u>	Dep Chief Gruen (Police Dept.)	<u>P</u>
Chief Weiss (Fire Dept.)	<u>P</u>	Dep. Chief Riley (Fire Dept.)	<u>P</u>	Dep. Chief Connelly (Fire Dept.)	<u>A</u>
Ramsey (P.W. Director)	<u>P</u>	Noriega (P.W. Asst Director)	<u>A</u>	Hennerfeind (Village Planner)	<u>A</u>
Mulhearn (Dep Liq Comm)	<u>P</u>				

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Perez A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Chicago Tribune A Independent: Daniel Smrokowski A
Bugle A

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - P

VISITORS: Westmont Public Library Director Julia Coen

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting

OPEN FORUM: None

VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**
 P=PRESENT **Y=YES** **V=VACATION**

Note: *The items listed in these minutes are summaries only and are not meant to be a direct transcript of the Mayor's, Manager's, Clerk's and Trustees' comments. For actual quotes of the referenced items please refer to the Archival video copy of this meeting.*

VOTING SUMMARY

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>N</u>
TRUSTEE BARRY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE GUZZO	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>				
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>				
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>				
TRUSTEE BARRY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>				
TRUSTEE GUZZO	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>				
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>				
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>				

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Mayor Gunter invited Police Chief Gunther to the podium for the swearing in of Rolando Padilla to the rank of Sergeant.
 - Chief Gunther introduced Rolando with a brief biography of his career.
 - Rolando thanked the Mayor, Board and Commissioners for the opportunity, thanked his supervisors over the years, and his family.
- Sister City Program is moving forward with the relationship with Hsin Chu County and a proclamation will be brought before the board in the future to announce the event. An official letter of intent has been sent.
- Steve Golembieski was invited to the podium to to announce the winners of the Holly Days Decorating Contest:
 - 3st Place Business - Alkaye Media
 - 2nd Place Business - Safeway Insurance
 - 1st Place Business - Phillip's Flowers
 - 3rd Place Home - Tracey Family - Ashford Subdivision



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- 2nd Place Home - Natoriano Family - Traube Avenue
- 1st Place Home - Hochen Family

Clerk Szymski

- Condolences to the family of Bill Swanston, long time volunteer and member of the community.
- Rotary Club Basketball tournament is coming up next week at the junior high.
- All our local election candidates are running uncontested..
- Water Rate Changes will go into effect in January, the rates are available on the Village Website.
- Citizen of the Year nomination forms are available at the Westmont Chamber office next week and will be due back by March 3, 2017.
- Thank you to public works for the wonderful plowing during the snow event before Christmas.
- Police & Fire has reported that we had a safe holiday season in Westmont.

Attorney Zemenak

- Nothing, except happy holidays to all.

Village Manager May

- Nothing

Trustee Addington

- Introduced a company on Blackhawk that was toured this week by the EDC, an international company, Denbur, Inc. The president was presented with a plaque.
- School is back in session, watch out for the children.
- Condolences to the Swanston Family. Bill was a longterm resident, volunteer treasurer for the Village in the early 1970's and DuPage Township Trustee.
- Additionally, the Strategic Plan Implementation Committee will be meeting on January 10th at 10:30a.m.; it is open to the public if you have an interest in branding the village.

Trustee Liddle

- Administration meeting had 2016 reports from each department.
- 2017 will be a big year for the Sister City Program with a lot of additional activities.
- Self-serve alcohol is possibly coming our way.
- Employee Coat Drive was successful.

Trustee Barry

- Public Works Committee meeting will be on February 2nd at 4:30pm.
- Great job on the snow and ice removal in December with the snow coming on weekends and over 17 inches and the guys did great.
- EIC has the Holiday Lights recycling until the end of January.
- Holiday tree recycling is free to residents, just place with your garbage free of tinsel and plastic.
- Condolences to the Swanston Family and to the family of local small business owner Bob Cynowa.
- Buy your gas locally.

Trustee Nero

- Public Safety meeting will be switched to February 16th.
- Congratulations to all the uncontested candidates for our local elections.
- Condolences to the Swanston Family.

Trustee Barker

- Community Development meeting is scheduled for January 19th.
- Westmont First will be held at the Library on the 23rd due to the MLK holiday.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: NONE

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to approve the consent agenda.

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES:

Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board Meeting held on **December 8, 2016**.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE # 16: Dated **January 5, 2017, in the amount of **\$3,088,893.21****

(D) PURCHASE ORDERS:

11040056	Mid American Water Inc	\$22,402.00
11040707	Currie Motors	\$28,350.00
11040704	IRMA	\$426,812.14
	Total of Purchase Orders	\$477,564.14
	Total of Purchase Orders and Finance Ordinance #16	\$3,566,457.35

Question on the motion: **Trustee Addington** asked if the IRMA check was a lump sum payment for the year? Finance Director Parker confirmed this was the annual payment made in one lump sum.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS.

Mayor Gunter addressed the Board on this item. Stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission would have a change in the chairman position, with Greg Pill taking over as chairman. Introduced Manager May to explain the motion.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment and reappointment of members to the following commissions:

- Fire and Police Commission - Bob Kovanda and Vince Musial are reappointed for 3 year terms.
- Planning and Zoning Commission - Greg Pill is reappointed to a 3 year term, and appointed as chair for those 3 years.
- Environmental Improvement Commission - Staggered reappointment terms for the reappointed members and a 3 year term for the new member Kate Johnson.

Mayor Gunter announced the opening for a commissioner on the Planning and Zoning Commission due to the retirement of Ed Richard and an opening on the Fire and Police Commission due to the retirement of Joe Hrcirik.

Question on the motion: **Trustee Addington** asked if a separate motion on the chairman should be made? Attorney Zemanek answered that the chairman was appointed by the mayor and not by motion.

Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(3) 310 S HUDSON STREET - SETBACK VARIANCE.

Community Development Director Ziegler addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance requesting a Zoning Code Variance Request from Clark and Karen Neuharth to allow for the construction of a home addition within a required front yard setback in the R-3 Single Family Detached Residence District.

Question on the motion: **Trustee Barker** asked if this was something that couldn't have taken place without the change in the setback rule? Director Ziegler responded that this did not fit in the new change due to the position of the neighboring homes.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(4) 35 N CASS - URBAN VETERINARY ASSOCIATES.

Community Development Director Ziegler addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance approving a Downtown Development Grant request in the amount of \$8000 from Dr. Torok in the B-1 Limited Business District.

Mayor Gunter asked if the cost was more than the \$8000.00, Director Ziegler responded yes, substantially more. Trustee Addington asked Economic Development Director Forssberg when the vet predicted opening? Director Forssberg responded approximately this spring dependent on the work progress and it is a great deal of improvement to the property.

Question on the motion: Trustee Barry commented that the grant is moving toward a requirement of the business being open a minimum of a year. This business is investing so much money into the property, it is being welcome by the neighboring businesses.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(5) 21 N CASS - MARTINA STUDIO AND GALLERY.

Community Development Director Ziegler and Martina Wagner addressed the Board on this item. Martina stated the permit process here was the best she had ever experienced. Will be opening when she finds a place to park.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a Development Permit request to allow the operation of an artist studio and gallery in the B-1 Limited Business District.

Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(6) 408-414 N CASS - REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVALS.

Community Development Director Ziegler and Steve Vernon addressed the Board on this item. Both believe it is ready to go in April.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance extending the variance approvals for Westmont Gardens townhomes in the R-4 General Residence District.

Comment on the motion: Trustee Barry commented that he hopes this is the last extension request. Mr. Vernon stated that all the issues have been worked out and it should go forward.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(7) 201 WEST OGDEN AVENUE - TEMPORARY PARKING.

Community Development Director Ziegler and Marc Iozzo addressed the Board on this item.

Community Director Ziegler stated that the request should be until March 1, 2016. Attorney Zemanek stated that the ordinance was written for March 31, 2016.

Question on the motion: Trustee Addington asked Mr. Iozzo how this would work if it is approved only until March 1st? Mr. Iozzo felt that there was enough room that it could go beyond, but if that was the rule something is better than nothing.

Trustee Addington requested that a motion be made to extend the request to March 31, 2017. Mayor called for a roll count on the amendment to extend until March 31, 2017.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Addington, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: Barker.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(8) 201 WEST OGDEN AVENUE - TEMPORARY PARKING ORIGINAL REQUEST.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance approving a request from Marc Iozzo to allow temporary parking in the B-2 General Business District.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Addington, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: Barker.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None

Present: None.

(9) 428 NORTH CASS AVENUE - WESTMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Community Development Director Ziegler and Library Director Coen addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance approving a request for a building permit fee waiver of \$1208 and a bond waiver of \$7420 for the Westmont Public Library.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(10) SURPLUS PROPERTY - WESTMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance to declare certain Westmont Police Department equipment as surplus Village Property.

Seconded by **Trustee Barry** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(11) FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONAL TESTING AGREEMENT.

Fire Chief Dave Weiss addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance approving an Agreement for Promotional Evaluations and Assessment Services with the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Trustee Barry: Commented on the great comments that the Community Development Staff and how wonderful the service has improved in that department. Mayor Gunter stated that everyone that walks through the doors of Community Development are given a welcoming greeting and treated with respect by the staff.

Mayor Gunter stated that there was a request to go into executive session to discuss the following matters:

1. To discuss the purchase of real estate for the use of the Village pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act.

MEETING RECESSED AT 7:00 P.M.

(12) CLOSED SESSION: Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to adjourn to Executive Session.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #12



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Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

(13) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Motion by **Trustee Addington** to move out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #13

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 7:29 P.M.

(14) ADJOURNMENT: Motion by **Trustee Nero** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #14

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: Guzzo.

Present: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:30 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymiski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 19th day of January, 2017.