

Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, November 8, 2018.**

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

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymiski P

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

STAFF:

May <u>P</u> (Village Mgr)	Parker <u>P</u> (Finance Director)	Sylvester <u>P</u> (Interim Community Dev. Director)
Brainerd <u>P</u> (Assistant HR Director)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications Director)	Liljeberg <u>A</u> (I.T. Manager)
Chief Gunther <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Thompson <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Gruen <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)
Chief Weiss <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	Dep Chief Riley <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)	Olsson <u>A</u> (Assistant Finance Director)
Ramsey <u>P</u> (P.W. Director)	Noriega <u>A</u> (Village Engineer)	Mulhearn <u>P</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)

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: Forsberg - P

VISITORS: None.

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VOTING KEY: A=ABSENT AB=ABSTAIN N=NO W=Withdrawn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 R=RECUSE

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

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TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	<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>Y</u>
TRUSTEE BARRY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE GUZZO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>		<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<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>
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TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>							

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Asked Larry McIntyre to the podium to talk about the mural that was created by Fanny Moy. It will be hung at the Westmont Public Library.
- Called up American Legion Commander, Frank Trout, to talk about activities this weekend.
 - Talked about the 100th Anniversary of Veterans Day. This Sunday, 11:00am at Ty Warner Park there will be a Veterans Day Service. All are invited to attend.
 - On Saturday, November 10th there will be an plaque unveiling for James W. Robinson in the lobby of Westmont Village Hall. He received the medal of honor and was killed in the line of duty during the Vietnam War.
- There are 9 students and a teacher coming from Taiwan tomorrow night. They will be staying with host families for 2 weeks and going to class at Westmont High School. In March there will be a group of students from Westmont who will be traveling to Taiwan.
- Talked about Westmont is the Bestmont contest.

Clerk Szymski

- Holly Days will be starting soon. The Frosty and Friends Parade will be November 24th at 5:00pm and will go down Cass Avenue. The parade starts at Naperville Road and Cass. The tree lighting follows the parade and there are free pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Westmont Center.
- Holly Days Coat Drive started November 1st. There are two drop off locations: 1) Westmont Park District, 75 E Richmond and 2) Westmont Public Library, 428 N Cass
- Winter Ball is Friday, November 30th at the Hilton. The reception is at 6:30 pm and dinner will be at 7:00 pm. There will be live entertainment and auctions. For more information you can contact the Westmont Chamber office or visit

westmontchamber.com to RSVP.

Trustee Addington

- Talked about the Peace Poster contest sponsored by the Lions Club. This contest is for the Junior High students. The students who were present came up to talk about their poster. The theme this year is "Kindness Matters".
- Thanked everyone who came out and voted on Tuesday. There was a very large turnout.
- Holly Days officially kicks off on November 18th and there will be several trees that will be decorated all along the perimeter of Veterans Memorial Park.
- The Christmas Craft Show will be in the gym at the Community Center. The Lions Club will be hosting the brunch on Sunday, November 18th at 12:00pm. Adults are \$8.00, children 5-12 are \$5.00, seniors are \$5.00 and children under 5 are free.

Trustee Liddle

- Called Larry Forssberg to the podium.
 - Westmont Chamber along with the Westmont Historical Society coordinated the Wicked Westfest scarecrow contest. There were 22 entries, and 4,600 people voted this year. The following businesses and non-profit organizations were the winners:
 - Dynamic Perceptions Dance Company
 - First Midwest Bank
 - St. Sophia's
 - Farmers Insurance
 - Richmond Gardens
 - Encouraged everyone to shop, dine, and discover Westmont.
- The next Administration / Finance Committee meeting will be December 6th at 4:30pm in this room. Please come out and join us.
- Sign up for the Holly Days Home and Business Decorating Contest by December 7th. You can register online by visiting either westmont.il.gov or westmontevents.com.
- Communications has been busy with issuing 16 press releases, 14+ social media posts, and putting out the neighbors magazine.
- The Zombie Pub Crawl was a success, with 75 people participating.
- The State of the Village Address was October 26th. It ran smoothly and was well attended.
- The Mayor added that the Wicked West Fest has grown and it is run by the Chamber and Westmont Special Events Corporation and run by volunteers.

Trustee Barry

- Recapped the last EDC meeting. They met this week to tour the new Napleton Westmont Porsche dealership that was first presented to the EDC in October 2016. The new dealership is wonderful and we encourage all to visit.
- Encouraged everyone to shop locally when it comes to automobiles.
- There will be a ribbon cutting for Eye Level Learning for Math & English on Friday at 11:00 am at 216 E Chicago Ave.
- Vibrant Credit Union, corner of Lincoln & Quincy, and D. Feeney Counseling &

Consulting, 200 E Chicago Ave. both had ribbon cuttings recently.

- There will be a "Demolition Ceremony" coming up for 63rd and Cass Ave.
- Thanked the first responders for all of their hard work.
- Thanked all of our veterans and requested everyone to acknowledge our Veterans Day ceremony.

Trustee Barker

- There will be unlimited leaf collection through the month of November.
- Gave a shout out to Jon Yeater, the Village Arborist. He is very involved in the EIC committee and Jon goes above and beyond. Recently Jon and kids from Westmont High School and Westmont Junior High celebrated OAKtober, where oak trees were planted at both locations.
- Talked about local girl scout troop 51978, who built 7 bat houses. They earned their Silver Award by doing this project and the bat houses will be installed throughout the area.

Trustee Guzzo

- Please do not forget to change smoke detector batteries.
- November is Winter Weather preparedness month. More information should be available online.
- Friends for Downers Grove Township Seniors will be hosting a fundraiser at the Country House, 241 55th Street, Clarendon Hills. 15% of your food purchase will be donated to the Downers Grove Township Seniors. You will need a coupon to participate and that can be picked up from the Westmont Fire Department, 6015 S Cass Ave.
- The Friends of Downers Grove Township will be doing a special presentation November 13th at 1:00 pm. The admission fee is \$5.00 and the movie is Fighting Sullivans which will be played at the Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove. Afterwards there will be a discussion led by Hal Burke.

Trustee Nero

- Condolences to the Conklin Family on the loss of Don Conklin.
- Thanked all of the voters that came out on Tuesday.
- The next public works committee meeting is December 20th.
- The Veterans Day ceremony will be at TY Warner Park.
- There will be a James Robinson dedication November 10th at 10:00 am in Village Hall.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

There were no items to be removed from the consent agenda.

(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) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board meeting held October 25, 2018.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE # 14: Dated November 8, 2018 in the amount of
\$3,064, 283.99

(C) PROCLAMATION: HONORING THE PEACE ARMISTICE 11-11-11

Board to consider approving a proclamation commemorating the World War I Peace Armistice Centennial.

(D) PROCLAMATION - NOVEMBER 15 PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS

Board to approve a proclamation for Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Day on November 15, 2018 in honor of Westmont Park Board Commissioner Diane Main.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) PROPOSED AGGREGATE PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Finance Director Parker addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider a motion determining the proposed aggregate tax levy.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE - HILTON OAK BROOK HILLS RESORT

Mayor Gunter addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving a 60 day extension to a temporary liquor license issued in August 2018, for Hilton Oak Brook Hills Resort and Conference Center.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None
Absent: None

(4) DECLARATION OF VILLAGE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS - MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Public Works Director Ramsey addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving declaring certain Village owned vehicles as surplus property to be sold at Obenauf Auctions.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: None

(5) REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE MODIFICATION

Village Manager May addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a motion to cancel the regular meeting scheduled on Thanksgiving, November 22, 2018 and to proceed with having a meeting on December 20, 2018.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: None

6) 97TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mayor Gunter honored November 10, 1921 as the incorporation date of the Village of Westmont.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Clerk Szymiski gave a shout out to Alicja on all of her work on the business and liquor licenses. I'm proud of her and she had done an outstanding job.
- Trustee Barry talked about his experience voting at the Westmont Public Library. Encouraged everyone to get to know your neighbors.
- Manager May introduced, Bruce Sylvester, who is the new Community Development Director. Bruce came up to the podium and talked about his work experience and his family.
- Manager May introduced, Renee Brainerd, who is the Assistant Human Resources Director. Renee came up to the podium and talked about her work experience. She is happy to be part of the Village team.



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(7) CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Gunter requested an executive session to discuss the collective negotiating matters between the Village and its employees pursuant to section (2)(C)(2) of open meetings act.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to move into executive session at **6:49** pm.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: None

(8) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Motion by **Trustee Nero** to move out of Executive Session and to reconvene the regular Board meeting at **7:04** pm.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: None

(9) ADJOURNMENT Motion by **Trustee Nero** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:05 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymiski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 6th day of December, 2018