
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 A Guzzo P
Liddle P Nero P

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

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Carrara 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: 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VOTING KEY: A = ABSENT  AB = ABSTAIN  N = NO  W = Withdrawn  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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## REPORTS

**Mayor Gunter**

- Introduced Anne Szymski who has turned 100 years old. She and her family have been active members in the community for many years. Gerry Szymski read the proclamation honoring his mother, Anne. The Mayor gave Mrs. Szymski a key to the Village of Westmont.
- Manager May was asked to the podium to retire Chief Weiss. He talked about his accomplishments.
  - Chief Weiss addressed the Village Board. He talked about his experience and thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve the community. He looks forward to spending time with his wife and children.
- Manager May introduced Dan Chesney from Deanne Mazzochi’s office to say a few words about Steve Riley and the Fire Department.
- Manager May talked about Steve’s many accomplishments and experience in the fire service.
- Mayor Gunter swore in Stephen Riley as the Fire Chief of Westmont.
- Chief Riley thanked retired Chief Trout for first hiring him to the Village of Westmont. He thanked newly retired Chief Weiss for mentoring him throughout the years so that he could achieve this position. Chief Riley thanked his family and everyone who has come out to support him. He thanked his wife and children for allowing him to pursue his dream.

Mayor Ron Gunter called for a 5 minute recess at 6:24 pm.
Mayor Ron Gunter called the meeting back to order at 6:32 pm and asked Clerk Szymski for a roll call.

Clerk Szymski called the roll.

Present: Mayor Gunter, Clerk Szymski, Trustees Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Attorney Zemenak, Village Manager May, Finance Director Parker

Absent: Barry

- Please submit Citizen of the Year nominations to the Chamber by Friday, March 8th.
  - Sign up online at Westmontchamber.com
- Called Greg Pili to the podium to talk about Westmont Restaurant week. 37 restaurants are participating this year.
  - Played the video from ABC 7 promoting Westmont Restaurant week.
  - Thanked ABC 7 for all of their support.

Clerk Szymski

- Happy Birthday to Mayor Gunter and his wife Toni, and Trustee Guzzo.
- The Public Information Committee held their first meeting of 2019 and a press release will be going out soon regarding all upcoming events.
- The People’s Resource Center at 104 Chestnut, will be hosting a job fair on Thursday, March 14 from 9:00 am to noon. Fore more information, contact PRC at 630-682-5402.
- Looking forward to restaurant week and encouraged everyone to participate.

Trustee Guzzo

- The Public Safety Committee meeting was held earlier today.
  - Congratulated the Police Department on raising $16,221.54 for Special Olympics.
  - Thanked Deputy Chief Gruen and all of the members of the Police Department. Westmont will be on the back of the Special Olympics t-shirts.
  - Congratulated Dave Weiss on the Employee of the Year award and his retirement.
  - Congratulated Steve Riley as the new Fire Chief.
  - Congratulated Rob Sipek Jr. for 40 years of service.
- The next Public Safety Committee meeting will be May 23rd at 4:30pm at Village Hall.

Trustee Addington

- Congratulations to the Westmont High School basketball team for making it to sectionals.
- The Alley Address Ordinance goes into effect March 1st. Reminders will be sent in March, warnings will be sent in April, and violation notices will be issued after that time. It is important for safety so that first responders will know where you live.
- Lions Club will be creating an Oktoberfest event that might have a 5K walk/run event. Details are still being worked out.
- Recapped the DuPage Mayors and Managers meeting. There is a memo which was
distributed that gives the meeting details.

- The Springfield Drive down is May 1st and May 2nd.

Trustee Barker

- Westmont First will meet on March 18th at the Westmont Public Library. This meeting will focus on bringing art into our community.
- The EIC will meet at the Westmont Public Library on Monday night at 6:00 pm.
  - Gearing up for DuPage River Sweep and Storm Drain Stenciling.
  - The Westmont Library and EIC present the 2019 Green Speaker Series on April 17th and 22nd. Sign up begins on February 8th.

Trustee Liddle

- The next Administrative Finance Committee meeting will be held March 14th at Village Hall.
  - The Westmont is the Bestmont Contest winners will be announced.
- The St. Paddy’s Day Irish Jig & Swig will be Saturday, March 16th from 2 - 6pm. Please register online at westmontevents.com
- ABC’s Larry Mowry will be the featured speaker at our severe weather training, which will be held Saturday, March 9th at 9:00am. Registration is required prior to the event so please sign up on the Village Website.

Trustee Nero

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be March 28th, 4:30 pm at Village Hall.
- Invited Public Works Director Ramsey to talk about the Model Water Tower Competition which was held on February 23rd. The American Water Works Association - Illinois section funds these scholarships. We are hoping that this can become a national event.
- Thanked Chief Weiss for his service and wished the new Chief Riley much luck.
- Wished Mrs. Szymski and the Mayor a Happy Birthday.

Manager May talked about a fifth grader from Miller school who came up with solutions for the railroad tracks.

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 February 14, 2019.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE # 21: Dated February 28, 2019 in the amount of $1,367,141.00
(C) PURCHASE ORDERS

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(D) 2019 WESTMONT CRUISIN' NIGHTS & STREET FAIR
Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from the Westmont Special Events Corporation for their 2019 Cruisin’ Nights and Street Fair events:

1. Tent Permit Fee Waiver
2. Live Amplified Sound Permit for event hours
3. Street and Public Right of Way Closures

(E) 2019 RACE TO THE FLAG 5K
Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the 2019 Race to the Flag 5K to be held on May 26, 2019:

1. Community events permit including street closures
2. Live amplified sound permit

(F) 2019 RED WHITE & BBQ
Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the 2019 Red White & BBQ Festival hosted by the Westmont Lions Club, May 24-26, 2019:

1. Community events permit
2. Liquor license fee waiver
3. Amusement fee waiver
4. Live amplified sound permit
5. Tent permit fee waiver

(G) 2019 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION
Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests regarding the annual 4th of July Celebration at Ty Warner Park:

1. 4th of July special event traffic plan - Various one-ways and street closures around Ty Warner Park from 6 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
2. Amplified sound permit
3. Tent permit fee waiver
4. Alcohol fee waiver

(H) PROCLAMATION HONORING ANNE SZYMSKI
Board to consider a proclamation to honor long time resident Anne Szymski as she celebrates her 100th birthday.

Seconded by Trustee Nero and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #1
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) INCREASE IN AVAILABLE CLASS 23 LIQUOR LICENSES
Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn, Sam and Dominic Barraco addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Liddle to consider an ordinance increasing the number of available Class 23 liquor licenses by one (1) for Zazzo's Pizza, 200 West Ogden Avenue.

Seconded by Trustee Nero and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #2
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

(3) 550 BLACKHAWK DRIVE - VARIANCE EXTENSION
Community Development Director Sylvester addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider an ordinance approving an extension of a variance for lot width for property located at 505 Blackhawk Drive, Westmont.

Seconded by Trustee Guzzo and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #3
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

(4) PARKING VARIANCE - 13 WEST QUINCY
Community Development Director Sylvester addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider ordinances approving the following requests for 13 W Quincy Street, Westmont:
1. An ordinance approving a Zoning Ordinance variance to reduce the number of required parking spaces.

Seconded by Trustee Guzzo and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

**(5) PARKING VARIANCE - 13 WEST QUINCY**
Community Development Director Sylvester addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider ordinances approving the following requests for 13 W Quincy Street, Westmont:

2. An ordinance waiving the payment of the fee-in lieu of providing the required parking spaces.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

**(6) SIGN ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT**
Community Development Director Sylvester addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Addington to consider an ordinance approving the following text amendments to the Westmont Zoning Ordinance:

1. Amendment to Appendix A, Section 11.07, "Ground Signs" of the Zoning Ordinance to permit the addition of "Freestanding Wayfinding Signs" in the O/R Office/Research zoning district.
2. Amendment to Appendix A, Section 11.11, "Exemptions" of the zoning Ordinance to increase the size of "Directional Signs" in the O/R Office/Research zoning district.

Seconded by Trustee Barker and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry
(7) ASSIGNMENT OF REAL ESTATE CONTRACT
Village Manager May addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider an ordinance approving an assignment of real estate contract for the purchase of 25 N. Lincoln Avenue, Westmont from Westmont Apartments Development Company LLC to the Village of Westmont.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #7
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

MISCELLANEOUS:
- None

(8) CLOSED SESSION:
Mayor Gunter requested an executive session to discuss:
  1) The purchase of property for the use of the Village pursuant to section (2)(C)(5) of open meetings act.
  2) Setting the price of real estate owned by the Village pursuant to section (2)(C)(6) of the open meetings act.

Motion by Trustee Nero to move into executive session at 7:23 pm.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #8
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

(9) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Motion by Trustee Guzzo to move out of Executive Session and to reconvene the regular Board meeting at 7:52 pm.
Seconded by Trustee Nero and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #9
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

(10) ADJOURNMENT  Motion by Trustee Addington to adjourn the meeting.  Seconded by
Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #10
Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: Barry

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:53 P.M.
ATTEST: APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 14th day of March, 2019