



Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, June 29, 2020.**

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

WESTMONT VIRTUAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymski P

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

STAFF:

May P (Village Mgr)	Parker P (Finance Director)	Sylvester A (Community Dev. Director)
Brainerd A (HR Director)	McIntyre P (Communications Director)	Liljeberg P (I.T. Manager)
Chief Gunther P (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Thompson A (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Gruen A (Police Dept.)
Chief Riley P (Fire Dept.)	Olsson A (Assistant Finance Director))	Richards A (Deputy Clerk)
Ramsey P (P.W. Director)	Mielcarski P (Management Analyst)	Mulhearn A (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Carrara A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Bugle A

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - P

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS WAIVED.

OPEN FORUM:

Manager May reported that there are no submitted comments.



VOTING KEY: A=ABSENT AB=ABSTAIN N=NO W=Withdrawn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

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE BARKER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE BARRY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE GUZZO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE NERO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- 4th of July activities have been cancelled at Ty Warner Park this year.
- Asked Fire Chief Riley to give an update on COVID-19.
 - Chief Riley announced that we are doing well in Westmont. Call volume continues to decline. There have only been 2 positive cases of COVID in the last week in Westmont. We are continuing to do the right thing, and the residents are continuing to do the right thing as well. Please make sure to wear a facemask if you are out in the community.
- Restaurants are open now with restrictions.
- The Intergovernmental Risk Management Association, also known as IRMA released their annual State of the Membership Report for the 2019 calendar year. Out of 70 IRMA members, Westmont ranked 1st in the Large Member Category and 3rd overall. Thanks to Mike Chorney who is the chair of the Executive Safety Committee and has led this commitment to staff safety for many years.
- The Police Department went through accreditation and they received good marks.

Village Clerk Szyski

- Garage Sales are permitted and permits are not required.
- The Community Wide Garage Sale will be August 7, 8, & 9. Permits are not needed and you can sign up through the Village website.
- The Westmont Library is planning to re-open to the public in July. Look for details to be published on the Library website.
- Please enjoy the 4th of July and stay safe.

Trustee Nero

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be September 24th at 4:30pm. Hopefully

that will be held in Village Hall.

- Wished everyone a happy 4th of July.

Trustee Liddle

- The Communications department has had several meetings with Clara Joyce who is completing her master's degree. She has offered to work with Village Communications to provide research regarding the effectiveness of community engagement. That is going along quite well. More information will be forthcoming in the next week or so.
- Mayor Gunter asked Trustee Liddle if there was any update on community events.
 - Trustee Liddle said there will be another meeting held at the beginning of July to discuss the possibility of cruisin' nights. There would not be any street closures or volunteers. The onus would be on the participants if they choose to attend.

Trustee Johanik-Guzzo

- The next Public Safety Committee meeting will be held on August 27th at 4:30pm.
- Please remember to not use illegal fireworks. In 2018 there were almost 20,000 fires started by fireworks. Please be safe.
- Congratulations to the Police Department on their accreditation.
- Wished everyone a happy and safe 4th of July.

Trustee Barker

- The next Westmont First meeting will be July 20th at 6:00pm. This will be a virtual meeting.
- Westmont First will continue to work on the Census. We are nearly 70% complete with residents filling out the Census. If you have not filled out your Census form yet, please do so. It is a quick and easy process. Residents can go online at www.my2020census.gov to fill out the form.
- The Neighbors magazine gave out some additional information on the Hope Mural Project. It is turning out to be a very wonderful project and helps give support to people who need it.
- The Environmental Improvement Committee will be meeting on August 3rd at 6:00pm. Hopefully we will be able to have some fall events.
- Thanked the Morton Arboretum for their donation of plants to Richmond Gardens.
- If you want to receive an alert every time the community has a mosquito spraying, call 800-942-2555 to sign up.

Trustee Addington

- The next Community Development Committee is scheduled for July 16th, 2020. The meeting will take place virtually.
- The People's Resource Center continues to need donations. A press release regarding this was published yesterday.
- Gave a shout out to the Westmont Lions Club who donated 100 boxes of food and supplies to PRC last week.
- Wednesday, July 8th will be Planning & Zoning for July.
 - There will be a public hearing and 1 N. Cass will be discussed.
 - If people have comments this would be the place to relay those positive or

negative comments. All of the comments are recorded.

- 1 W Quincy is continuing to move forward.

Trustee Barry

- The next Economic Development Committee will be August 5, 2020.
- The Quincy Street project is moving along nicely and will be going vertical soon.
- Asked Larry Forssberg to give us some updates on Phase 4 and other business news.
 - \$17,000 was raised for the June 24th raffle that went to support the small business community. There were two winners.
 - Restore IL - Phase 4 means that restaurants are open and other non-essential businesses. They have to follow safety standards and guidelines during this time.
 - Video gaming is scheduled to open on July 1st.
 - Progress continues to be made as we move forward.

Mayor Gunter mentioned that the spray park at the Westmont Park District will be opening this Friday.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

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 Nero** to approve the consent agenda.

(A) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board meeting held June 18, 2020.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #4: Dated **June 29, 2020** in the amount of **\$ 792,194.49.**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS

21200131	Thomas Engineering Group, LLC	\$ 72,708.00
21200232	Thomas Engineering Group, LLC	79,938.00
	<u>PURCHASE ORDER TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 152,646.00</u>
	<u>TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS & FINANCE ORDINANCE #4</u>	<u>\$ 944,840.49</u>

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

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

(2) KAREN'S KORNER B1 PERMIT AT 4 WEST BURLINGTON

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this item.

Village Manager May read a statement explaining the type of store that the applicant, Kelly Holmes, wishes to open. Explained that the store name will be changed to Karly's.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a B-1 Permit application from Kelly Holmes to operate a vintage home goods store called Karen's Korner Women's Boutique at 4 West Burlington Avenue.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH ANTHONY BRYANT OF PRIMERA ENGINEERS

Public Works Director Ramsey addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving an agreement with Anthony Bryant to perform the duties of the Village Engineer and Stormwater Administrator for the Village of Westmont.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(4) ECONOMIC RELIEF PROGRAM

Finance Director Parker addressed the Board on this item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance adopting a Westmont Economic Relief Program.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Trustee Barker is very happy that we are in a position to offer some economic relief to Westmont Businesses.
- Rep. Mazzachi was able to appropriate money for the community through the Bond Fund. The money will go towards general infrastructure improvements, land acquisition for the Westmont Park District, and equipment upgrades for the Police & Fire Department.
- Trustee Barry asked about the capital improvement projects. Are we moving forward for the alley that was started in the fall?
 - Manager May talked about the project. That was already awarded.
- Thanked and congratulated Marie Charlton. She resigned from the school board and she did many good things during her term. Joel Price is now the new president of the school board.

(5) ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to adjourn the meeting.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:37 P.M.



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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymiski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 16th day of July, 2020