Clerk’s Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD Thursday, August 15, 2019.

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 P
Liddle P Nero P

STAFF:
May P Parker P Sylvester P
(Village Mgr) (Finance Director) (Community Dev. Director)
Brainerd P McIntyre P Liljeberg P
(Assistant HR Director) (Communications Director) (I.T. Manager)
Chief Gunther P Dep Chief Thompson P Dep Chief Gruen A
(Police Dept.) (Police Dept.) (Police Dept.)
Chief Riley P Dep Chief O’Hare P Richards A
(Fire Dept.) (Fire Dept.) (Deputy Clerk)
Ramsey P Noriega A Mulhearn A
(P.W. Director) (Assistant P.W. Director) (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:

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPEN FORUM:
James Manuzak, 417 Tracy Court
  • Concerned about a neighbor that does not mow the lawn.

Karen Kuo, 840 Heath Lane
  • Thanked Larry McIntyre for advertising the EPA meeting that was two weeks ago.
    Addressed the Village Board regarding Sterigenics.
• Requested that the Village of Westmont get actively involved in the Sterigenics and the ETO issues.

Irv Kaplan, Rotary Club of Westmont
• All the money that is earned for Lions Club is used to benefit the community. Thanked the Village Board and is hoping that the grant is approved to sponsor the informational Village calendar.

**VOTING KEY:**  A=ABSENT    AB=ABSTAIN    N=NO    W=Withdrawn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

**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**
• Westmont Post Office dedication for James Robinson on August 30, 2019 at the Village of Westmont Post Office.

**Clerk Szymski**
• Village Offices will be closed on September 2, 2019 for Labor Day.
• Congratulations to the Police Department on a successful National Night Out event.
• Congratulations to the Fire Department on the Cruisin’ Nights Event. They did a great job and the dunk tank was a hit.

**Trustee Nero**
• The next Public Works Committee meeting will be September 26th at 6:00pm at Village...
Hall,

- The new Public Works Facility groundbreaking will be August 24th at 11:00am.
- We had three great weeks of family events. It was a nice time and thanked all of the staff and people involved in that process.
- Recommended the Elmhurst Quarry Tour on September 21, 2019. This comes highly recommended.

**Trustee Liddle**

- The next Administration / Finance Committee meeting will be September 12th, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Ride Away from the Darkness will be held on August 17th and is hosted by resident Chris Svitak. All proceeds go to Suicide Prevention. You can sign up through the press release on the Village website. The ride starts at the Harley Davidson in Lisle and ends at Walsh’s here in town.
- TW Group is holding a Craft Beer Fest at Ty Warner Park on September 7th from 2:00 - 6:30pm and the proceeds go to benefit People's Resource Center and Hinsdale Wellness House.
- The Pet Promenade has been rescheduled to September 22nd from 11 am - 2 pm at Ty Warner Park.
- There are only two more Cruisin’ Nights events left after tonight. The event is every Thursday night from 5:00pm - 9:00pm through the end of August.
- There is a .5K event for Ronald McDonald House Charities on August 24th at the Uptown. Resident, Anisha Gawriluk, is the organizer of this event.
- Holy Trinity has a Parish Fest from August 30 - September 2. There will be a carnival, craft show, and bingo.
- Lions Club is hosting Oktoberfest and a 5K event on October 4th and 5th right in front of Village Hall. There will be music and food.

**Trustee Barker**

- Westmont First will host their next meeting on August 19th, 6:00pm at the Westmont Village Library.
- The Community Arts Initiative is being promoted. Local artists had their art on display at 22 N. Cass and there were about 10 participants, most of them made sales. Any artists that are still interested can still sign up for the final event by visiting the Village Website. The last Artisan Night is August 29.
- Environmental Improvement Committee will have their next meeting September 9, 2019 at the Westmont Library.
- The EIC will be educating the public at a Cruisin Nights event on August 29th. There will be a booth with educational materials on Richmond Gardens.
- Talked about rain barrels in Westmont and shared a picture of a rain barrel that was decorated by a resident, Gail Lupia.

**Trustee Addington**

- Schools start going into session next Wednesday, so please remember to be mindful of children who are walking to school.

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**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
August 15, 2019
• Asked about the detention ponds on Warwick Street and inquired on the maintenance in that area.
  ○ Manager May said that the parkways will be maintained but the detention basin will remain as is.
• Lions Club will sponsor health screenings for hearing and vision at Cruisin Nights on August 22nd. The bus will be at the intersection of Cass and Irving from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Encouraged residents to come out for free hearing and diabetic retinopathy screenings.

Trustee Guzzo
• Recapped the Public Safety Committee meeting that took place earlier.
  ○ There was some discussion on moving the Fire Department to full time. A committee will be formed to do more research regarding this option.
  ○ Staffing and personnel was discussed for the Police Department.
  ○ Proposals for a DUI attorney and the DEA task force was discussed.
• Congratulated the Police Department on the Open House and National Night Out event. Invited Chief Gunther to the podium.
  ○ Chief Gunther talked about the National Night Out Event. There were big crowds, tours, squad cars, crafts, vendor tables and everyone had a good time.
  ○ The Citizen’s Police Academy will begin on September 25th and go through December 4th. The class is free and more information can be found on the Village website.
• There is a fundraiser for Special Olympics Illinois at King Car Wash, 6255 S Cass Ave. Friday and Saturday, Aug 16 & 17. Patrons will have the opportunity to donate at the register to Special Olympics and the donations will be matched by King Car Wash.
• There is another fundraiser called Stuff a Squad Car at Mariano’s on August 17th to Aug 24th. All food donations will go to benefit People’s Resource Center.
• Invited Chief Riley up to the podium.
  ○ The 9-11 ceremony will be at the Police and Fire Station, 500 N. Cass Avenue on Sept 11th at 6:30 pm.
• Recapped Fire Truck Night at the Cruisin’ Nights and Street Fair. Thanked all of the Department Heads that participated with the dunk tank.
• Talked about a Citizens Life Award Certification that was given to a Westmont resident who is only 9 years old. She performed the heimlich maneuver on her friend who was choking and saved her life.
• A 25 Year Service Award was given to Arnold Nolan of the Fire Department.
• The next Public Safety Committee meeting will be November 21, 2019.

Trustee Barry
• Westmont Rotary Club will be bringing back the Village Calendar.
• The next Economic Development Committee meeting will be September 4th, 9:00am at Village Hall.
  ○ Nancy Martens has retired from the Committee. She will be missed and she is thanked for all of her involvement over the years.
The groundbreaking ceremony for Quincy Station will be August 29th at 4:30pm at Cass and Quincy Street.

Encouraged everyone to read the article in Westmont Magazine about James Robinson.

Thanked the Police Department for their service.

Hats off to the EIC for a noticeable increase in monarch butterflies in our area.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:
Requested for the Payroll Proclamation 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 August 1, 2019 Village Board Meeting.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #7: Dated August 15, 2019 in the amount of $1,520,613.73

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS

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TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS: $373,085.56

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(D) HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT REQUEST - PARK DISTRICT - HOLLY DAYS
Board to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of $5,000 to the Westmont Park District to assist in Holly Days.

(E) HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT REQUEST - PARK DISTRICT - HAUNTED FOREST
Board to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of $2,500 to the Westmont Park District for the Haunted Forest activity.
(F) HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT REQUEST - PARK DISTRICT - CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Board to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of $2,500 to the Westmont Park District for the Concerts in the Park Events.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(2) PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL PAYROLL WEEK 2019
Finance Director Parker, Katie Staffeldt, and Jerry Gradal addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Liddle to consider a proclamation to declare the week of September 1 - 6, 2019 as National Payroll Week.

Seconded by Trustee Nero and the motion passed.

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

NEW BUSINESS

(3) HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT REQUEST - PARK DISTRICT - SUMMER MUSICAL
Finance Director Parker addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of $2,500 to the Westmont Park District for the performance of the Summer Musical.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

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

(4) HOTEL/MOTEL GRANT REQUEST - ROTARY CLUB - CALENDAR
Finance Director Parker addressed the Board on this item.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2019
Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of $2,500 to the Westmont Rotary Club for the Community Event Calendar.

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

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

**(5) RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE - PARKWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

**Public Works Director Ramsey** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for the Village’s Parkway Reconstruction Project #19-00111-00-FP.

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

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

**(6) ENGINEERING AGREEMENT - LINCOLN & IRVING PARKING LOT PROJECT**

**Public Works Director Ramsey** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance authorizing an engineering agreement with Thomas Engineering Group for Phase 1 and Phase 2 Design Engineering Services for the proposed parking lot project at Lincoln & Irving Streets.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**
Ayes: Addington, Barry, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays:  None
Absent: None

**(7) SECURITY DOOR - VILLAGE HALL**

**Village Manager May** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance to approve a contract from E. Anthony, Inc. to furnish and install a security door at Village Hall.

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

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

(8) DECLARE ITEMS AS SURPLUS EQUIPMENT
Deputy Chief Kevin O'Hare addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by Trustee Nero to consider an ordinance to declare miscellaneous Fire Department items as surplus property.

Seconded by Trustee Barry and the motion passed.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:
- Trustee Addington asked about the security at the schools and the training.
- Mayor Gunter congratulated Doug Carmichael, the new chair for the P&Z Committee. He did an excellent job last week.

(9) CLOSED SESSION:
Mayor Gunter requested an executive session to review closed session minutes pursuant to section (2)(C)(21) of the open meetings act and to discuss the purchase of real property for use of the Village pursuant to section (2)(C)(5) of the open meetings act.

Motion by Trustee Nero to move into executive session at 7:06 pm.

Seconded by Trustee Barry and the motion passed.

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

(10) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING:
Motion by Trustee Nero to move out of executive session and to reconvene the regular Board meeting at 7:48 pm.

Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

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

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 15, 2019
(11) ADJOURNMENT  Motion by Trustee Nero to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Liddle and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #11
Ayes:  Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero
Nays:  None
Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:49 P.M.
ATTEST:                  APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk                  Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 29th day of August, 2019