

Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, September 12, 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 <u>P</u> (Village Mgr)	Parker <u>P</u> (Finance Director)	Sylvester <u>A</u> (Community Dev. Director)
Brainerd <u>P</u> (Assistant HR Director)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications Director)	Liljeberg <u>P</u> (I.T. Manager)
Chief Gunther <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Thompson <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Gruen <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)
Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	Dep Chief Connelly <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)	Richards <u>A</u> (Deputy Clerk)
Ramsey <u>P</u> (P.W. Director)	Noriega <u>A</u> (Assistant P.W. Director)	Mulhearn <u>A</u> (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:

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VOTING KEY: A=ABSENT AB=ABSTAIN N=NO W=Withdrawn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

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</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>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>
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Called Larry McIntyre and Jenny Babyar to the podium to talk about the Community Arts Initiative.
 - Westmont Special Events created a downtown arts forum that was tied into the Cruisin' Nights. There were two events last year and many participants. They wanted to duplicate those efforts this year and with the help of Bill Kalafut a space was able to be used for a gallery during Cruisin' Nights on specified dates.
 - There were about 20 artists that participated this year. This initiative is about art appreciation.
 - Mrs. Babyar talked about possible opportunities to bring artists together through different cooperatives.
 - Mr. McIntyre talked about having art displayed at the Westmont Train Station, and other public areas.
- Recapped the Westmont Post Office Dedication to James Robinson. The local American Legion worked very hard to make this happen. There was a great turn out and everyone did a fabulous job.
- Westmont Lions Club Oktoberfest & Running for the Cause 5K will be October 4th and 5th.
 - Trustee Addington commented that the race is dedicated to diabetes and diabetes awareness.

Village Clerk Szynski

- The Scarecrow Decorating Contest will be coming up soon. If you want to decorate a scarecrow to be displayed in downtown Westmont, visit the Chamber website to sign up.
- Village Offices will be closed on Columbus Day, October 14, 2019.

Trustee Barker

- Westmont First will meet on September 24th. There will be a complete count census



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training and we will promote and support the census coming up.

- Invited the Environmental Improvement Committee to talk about what they have been working on this last year.
 - The members of the committee talked about the recycling in Westmont and reducing waste. They want to put a composting program in place, ease the way for residents to use solar energy, and they will continue the speaker series.
 - Pumpkin Composting is November 2nd at the Westmont Public Library from 9:00am - 12:00pm.
 - Holiday lights may be recycled at Wicked West Fest on October 19th because Halloween Lights are becoming more common.
 - The Westmont Public Library is holding a Monarch festival this Saturday from 11:00am - 2:30pm at Ty Warner Park.
 - The Native Tree & Shrub Sale is going on right now. You can order online and pick up at the Westmont Street Department, 328 S. Wilmette Avenue. The pick up date is Saturday, October 5th, 9:00am - 11:00am.
 - Holiday lights recycling will start in early November and go through the end of January.

Trustee Liddle

- Recapped the Administration / Finance Committee Meeting that met earlier in the evening.
 - The Finance Department received an award.
 - Business Licenses will be able to be renewed online.
 - Water Billing will go out to the building owners rather than tenants.
 - Finance Director Parker talked about the Village's bank accounts.
- There will be a fall wine tasting at Dolce's restaurant and wine bar on Saturday, September 14th from 2:00pm - 6:00pm and tickets can be purchased online.
- The Pet Promenade & Party in the Park will be Sunday, September 22nd from 11:00am - 2:00pm at Ty Warner Park.
- Wicked West Fest will be October 19th from 10:30am - 2:00pm in Downtown Westmont. Those that are interested can check out the Chamber Website for more details.

Trustee Nero

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be September 26th, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- Granite Construction Annual Charity Golf Outing hosted at Oak Brook Hills raised over \$14,000 for Lurie Children's Hospital.
- Went to the middle school to talk about civic involvement during the Westmont Junior High Schoolers student council elections.

Trustee Barry

- Recapped the EDC meeting from last week.
 - Intercontinental Real Estate and Development proposed apartment buildings at the old Jockey site location.
 - The next EDC meeting will be October 4th, 9:00am at Village Hall.
- Introduced Rick Bailey, owner of RiteWay 2.0 Blueprint at 138 North Cass Avenue. We just celebrated a ribbon cutting with Mr. Bailey at his new Westmont location.
- Invited Larry Forsberg to the podium to talk about current Economic Development



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activity.

- Talked about the new medical building on Ogden Avenue.
- BMW completed their project and there will be a ribbon cutting soon.
- Clique Sports Bar & Grill will be opening soon.
- Top-lift is moving into Gene's Tire.
- Gave an update for FMC Natatorium hopefully they will be opening in April.
- A movie theatre is not going into the new Market Centre.
- 1 North Cass will be going to planning and zoning hopefully in December.
- The Quincy Street Project is also moving forward.
- Cass Avenue Dream homes is coming along well.
- Taco Express had a fire in December and closed. They have purchased a new location at 13 West Quincy.
- Burger King remodeling is coming along.
- 2015 vacancy rate was 23% in downtown Westmont. In 2018 that percent came down to 10.5%, and increased to 15% in 2019.
 - Currently, there are 17 vacancies in Downtown Westmont.
- Raising Canes and LA Fitness are moving forward.
- Las Palmas is thinking about moving into 15 E. Ogden which was a former Dunkin' Donuts site. There must be some stormwater issues that must be addressed at that location because they wanted to expand the parking lot.
- Solt's does not have plans at this time to relocate to a new location.
- There are some negotiations going on for the previous Hobby Lobby location.
- The Village Board thanked Larry Forssberg for all of the hard work that he's done.
 - Larry gave a shout out to Public Works for their work on the alleys.

Trustee Guzzo

- The next Public Safety Committee meeting will be November 21st, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- The Citizens Police Academy will begin September 25 - December 4th. It is a free 9 week course. There is more information on the Village website and you can sign up on the site as well.
- The Rx Prescription Drug Take Back is October 26th from 10:00am - 2:00pm at the Mariano's on 63rd Street and at the Police Station.
- Thanked the Fire Department, Police Department, EMA members, and all of the volunteers for a wonderful 9-11 service. There are pictures on the Village website.
- There is a free CAR FIT program for seniors at the Westmont Fire Station, 6015 S Cass Ave on Saturday, September 28th from 8:00am - 10:30am. This program checks out the vehicles for safety.
- The Fire Department Silent Parade will be October 11th at 7:00pm. Please gather on Chicago Avenue.
- The Fire Department Open House is October 12th from 11:00am - 3:00pm.

Trustee Addington

- Community Development will meet October 10th.
 - Storage Containers will be discussed.
 - Other possible discussion to take place will be marijuana and vaping.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

No items were 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 29, 2019 Village Board Meeting.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #9: Dated **September 12, 2019** in the amount of **\$2,283,037.03**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS

20200915	Secco Environmental Services	\$ 51,488.00
20200929	ESI Consultants LTD	28,719.02
20200930	Illinois EPA	25,984.86
20200931	Currie Motors	36,867.00
20200954	DuPage County	30,752.81
20200955	Napleton Fleet Inc.	31,811.00
	TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS	205,622.69
	TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS & FINANCE ORDINANCE #9	\$2,488,659.72

(D) Community Events: Wicked West Fest Halloween Events

Board to consider an ordinance approving the Westmont Chamber of Commerce hosted Westmont West Fest Halloween Events:

1. Community Events Permits
2. Street Closures - Cass Ave from Burlington to Chicago / Naperville from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
3. Live amplified sound permit

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) AWARD OF BID PROPOSAL - CBD ALLEY RECONSTRUCTION SECTION C PROJECT

Public Works Director Ramsey addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance accepting the bid proposal from R.W. Dunteman Company for the Village's CBD Alley Reconstruction Section C Project, and authorizing a contract consistent with the bid documents.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) ENGINEERING AGREEMENT - CBD ALLEY RECONSTRUCTION SECTION C 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 Ph3 Construction Inspection Engineering and Material Testing Services on the CBD Alley Reconstruction Section C Project.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Trustee Nero thanked the TW Group for the money that they raised for People's Resource Center.

(4) ADJOURNMENT Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #4

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

Nays: None



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Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:12 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szynski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 29th day of September, 2019