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**Village of Westmont**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD Thursday, November 17, 2022.**

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

**WESTMONT VIRTUAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:**

|                  |              |          |                |          |
|------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| <b>PRESENT:</b>  | Mayor Gunter | <u>P</u> | Clerk Szymiski | <u>P</u> |
| <b>TRUSTEES:</b> | Barker       | <u>P</u> | Simonovich     | <u>P</u> |
|                  | Brady        | <u>P</u> | Guzzo          | <u>P</u> |
|                  | Liddle       | <u>P</u> | Nero           | <u>P</u> |

**STAFF:**

|  |          |  |          |   |          |
|--|----------|--|----------|---|----------|
| <b>May</b><br>(Village Manager)                  | <u>P</u> | <b>Parker</b><br>(Assistant Manager)         | <u>P</u> | <b>Sylvester</b><br>(Community Dev. Director)   | <u>P</u> |
| <b>Brainerd</b><br>(H.R. Director)               | <u>P</u> | <b>McIntyre</b><br>(Communications Director) | <u>P</u> | <b>Liljeberg</b><br>(I.T. Manager)              | <u>P</u> |
| <b>Chief Gunther</b><br>(Police Dept.)           | <u>A</u> | <b>Dep Chief Thompson</b>                    | <u>A</u> | <b>Dep Chief Gruen</b><br>(Police Dept.)        | <u>P</u> |
| <b>Chief Riley</b><br>(Fire Dept.)               | <u>P</u> | <b>Dep Chief O'Hare</b><br>(Fire Dept.)      | <u>A</u> | <b>Mulhearn</b><br>(Deputy Liquor Commissioner) | <u>P</u> |
| <b>Mielcarski</b><br>(Administration Supervisor) | <u>P</u> | <b>Cunningham</b><br>(Finance Director)      | <u>P</u> | <b>Ries</b><br>(Public Works Director)          | <u>P</u> |

**ATTORNEY:** Zemenak P Carrara A

**A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.**

**PRESS:**

Bugle A

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR:** Forssberg - P

**THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**OPEN FORUM:**

- None



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**VOTING KEY:**      **A=ABSENT**                      **AB=ABSTAIN**                      **N=NO**      **W=Withdrawn**  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

|                    | <b><u>1</u></b> | <b><u>2</u></b> | <b><u>3</u></b> | <b><u>4</u></b> | <b><u>5</u></b> | <b><u>6</u></b> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| TRUSTEE BARKER     | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE BRADY      | <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>        |
| TRUSTEE LIDDLE     | <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>        |
| TRUSTEE SIMONOVICH | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |

**REPORTS**

**Mayor Gunter**

- Long time Westmont resident Marcel Labeck passed away this afternoon. Condolences to his family.
- Thank you to the American Legion and the Park District for hosting and coordinating this event. It was the first time that this event had been held at the Park District Community Center and the turnout was excellent.
- Amy Quatrone with CUSD201 and the Village of Westmont recently won the Building Bridges Award, which stresses the importance of community agencies and organizations working together. Amy will be at the December 1st Village Board meeting to talk about this achievement.
- Invited Executive Park District Director, Bob Fleck, to talk about their recent award regarding the FMC and how that relates to Fritz Werley Park.
  - The Illinois Association of Park Districts hosts a Gala every October to celebrate the best of the best, which gives recognition to achievements. One of the awards was regarding intergovernmental agreements. The Park District along with the Village and the FMC Natatorium submitted an application and it was awarded. Thanked the Chamber, the Village, and the FMC Natatorium.
  - Talked about the expansion of Fritz Werley Park and hopes to get a grant awarded.
- Congratulations to Uncle Bub's on their 25th year anniversary. They are celebrating 25 great years in Westmont.

### **Clerk Szymski**

- Village offices will be closed November 24th and 25th. There will be no recycling & garbage pick up on Thanksgiving and pick-up will be one day late for the rest of the week.
- Thanked everyone for voting. Last week's elections had an excellent turnout and we want to thank everyone who took the time to go out and vote.
- Mayor Gunter mentioned free leaf pickup. Invited Larry McIntyre to talk about the free leaf pickup program.
  - Larry McIntyre stated that free leaf pick up ends the 26th of November. Put your leaves out in kraft paper bags and they will be picked up by Waste Management.

### **Trustee Liddle**

- Recapped the Administration Finance Committee meeting at 4:30pm.
  - Assistant Manager Parker reviewed the short-term budget priorities that we had over the last several years.
  - April 13th will be the budget meeting.
  - The fire testing process was discussed and a RFP will be going out to devise methods of hiring and determining pay structures for a full-time fire department should we need one.
  - The busking initiative was discussed and more information was given to us by Communications Director McIntyre. Busking is a method of bringing culture and entertainment to downtown Westmont.
- Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 3rd in downtown Westmont. The Holly Days Parade starts at 5pm, tree lighting will be at 5:45pm, and this year pictures with Santa will be next to the train station and is being sponsored by Amazon Fresh. Look for more details regarding the parade and all of the Holly Days events on their website - [www.hollydaysfestival.com](http://www.hollydaysfestival.com)
- November 22nd, the musical, will be playing this weekend and will be performed by Westmont Performing Arts at Westview Hills Middle School at 630 West 65th Street in Willowbrook. Contact the Westmont Park District for more information. That play will run Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. The Park District phone number is 630-963-5252.

### **Trustee Nero**

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be December 15th, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- Free leaf collection is now through November 26th. Residents can put out an unlimited amount of leaves in kraft bags along with your trash and recycling on your usual pick up day.
- Keep an eye on storm drains. Do not put the leaves in the streets where they can clog up the drains and because that would result in flooding. If your property is adjacent to a storm drain, please remove the leaves and clean it up real quick.

- There is a special recycling collection event that is happening at Public Works on December 3rd. This special recycling collection will include electronics, lightbulbs, textiles, books and more. Check the Village website for details.
- Talked about the shootings at the Oak Brook Hills Hilton. Residents are concerned and wondered if the Police Department should work with the Hotel to increase security.

#### **Trustee Simonvich**

- The next Police Public Safety Committee meeting is January 26th, 2023.

#### **Trustee Johanik-Guzzo**

- The next Fire Public Safety Committee meeting will be December 1st, 2022, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- A press release has been published on the Village website regarding fire safety tips during the holidays. We encourage everyone to read through these tips so that everyone has a happy and safe holiday.
- In the near future the wreaths will be going up and we want to keep those wreaths red. Wreaths are put up at the fire station with red light bulbs. If there is a fire due to holiday decorations, one of the bulbs will be replaced with a white light bulb. This is a reminder to keep safe during the holiday season.

#### **Trustee Brady**

- A press release and a link to the recently-adopted building codes have been published on the Village website so that citizens, contractors, and builders are aware of these new codes.
- The next Community Development Committee meeting is February 9, 2023.
- The December agenda for the Planning and Zoning Commission will include the following:
  - Revisions to the previously-approved site plan for the redevelopment of 6320 South Cass
  - A proposed beauty parlor at 124 N. Cass
  - Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment to revise rules for "video gaming cafes" in the B-1 and B-2 zoning districts.
- Community Development staff are working with the Village's permitting software vendor and staff from the IT Department to resolve challenges with contractor registrations and payment procedures for online permitting.
- Community Development staff are meeting this week with Kon Savoy, the consultant hired to oversee an evaluation, and 'refresh' of the Village's incentive programs for the downtown. A date and time for the first meeting of the working group overseeing that project will be announced soon.

#### **Trustee Barker**

- The next Environmental Improvement Committee meeting date is the first Monday in December.



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- Holiday Lights recycling is taking place in the Village at two locations. One location is the Library and the other is the Fire Department. The drop off bins will be in place on November 18 and will be there until January 31, 2023.
- There is a green business and residential recycling contest. You can go online to sign up for this program that encourages everyone to share their recycling practices. Four business winners will receive up to \$250 in free waste hauling and recycling over two months, and four residential winners will receive two months of free waste hauling and recycling.
- Westmont First will meet November 21st at 5:30pm. Updates will be given on the Community Mural Project and the busking program which was discussed earlier.
- Recently there was a press release that went out regarding DuPage County's 211 Program. You can get free health and social service resources for a variety of topics such as transportation, education, clothing, shelter, addiction, mental health etc.

### **ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

No Items to be removed from the agenda

### **CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:**

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to approve the consent agenda as written.

### **(A) BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Board to consider approving the corrected minutes of the Village Board meeting held November 3, 2022.

**(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #15:** Dated **November 17, 2022** in the amount of **\$ 2,742,794.80**

### **(C) PURCHASE ORDERS**

|                                 |                      |                     |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 23201526                        | Konstantine T. Savoy | \$ 27,664.00        |
| 23201525                        | Cargill Incorporated | 30,336.00           |
| <b>TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS</b> |                      | <b>\$ 58,000.00</b> |

**(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND FINANCE ORDINANCE:** **\$2,800,794.80**

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #1**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None



**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There is no unfinished business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**(2) INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT - ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER**

**Attorney Zemenak and Village Manager May** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Office of the Comptroller (IOC) for access to the Comptroller's Local Debt Recovery Program.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #2**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(3) CELL ANTENNA LICENSE AGREEMENT**

**IT Director Liljeberg and Attorney Zemenak** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a Site License Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for cellular antenna facilities on the water tower at 205 West 63rd Street.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #3**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(4) COMPENSATION STUDY AGREEMENT - PONTIFEX**

**Human Resources Director Brainerd** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a contract with Pontifex Consulting Group, LLC, to conduct a Classification and Compensation Study.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None



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**(5) SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

**Attorney Zemenak** addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving a settlement agreement in DuPage County Case No. 22 CH 00138, Village of Westmont v. Mulhern.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- None

**(6) ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to adjourn the meeting at 6:35pm..

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:35 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

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Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 1st day of December, 2022