



Village of Westmont

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD Thursday, March 5, 2026.

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

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Nero P Clerk A. Szymiski P

TRUSTEES: Barker P Parrilli P
Guzzo P Plowman P
Liddle P Scales P

STAFF:

Gunther <u>P</u> (Village Manager)	Parker <u>P</u> (Assistant Manager)	Brainerd <u>P</u> (H.R. Director)
Hennerfeind <u>P</u> (CDD Director)	Mulhearn <u>P</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)	Liljeberg <u>P</u> (I.T.)
Chief Gruen <u>P</u> (Police Department)	D.C. Thompson <u>A</u> (Police Department)	Altic <u>P</u> (Finance Director)
Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	D.C. Frank <u>A</u> (Fire Department)	Mielcarski <u>P</u> (Gov't Services)
Richards <u>A</u> (Deputy Village Clerk)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications)	Ries <u>P</u> (Public Works Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Lampariello A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:
Bugle A

Westmont Chamber President: A

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Nero welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPEN FORUM:

Brian Shuering, 5719 Buck Court - Suggested e-scooter regulations. Would like to see fines turned into a dedicated fund for new bicycle facilities, such as installing more bike racks in the community.

VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**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>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<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>	<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>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE PARRILLI	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>N</u>
TRUSTEE PLOWMAN	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
TRUSTEE SCALES	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>
	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>							
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE GUZZO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE PARRILLI	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE PLOWMAN	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							
TRUSTEE SCALES	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>							

REPORTS

Mayor Nero

- **Strategic Plan** - The Village continues to move forward regarding its work on the Strategic Plan. Elected Officials and Department Heads will be meeting next week to discuss ideas and develop goals. Look for updates regarding this process to be reported soon.
- **State of The Village** - The presentation will take place May 20th at BAMtheatre.
- **Pizza Wars** - I want to thank the Westmont Jr. High for inviting us to their annual Pizza Wars Event - it was a lot of fun.
- **Local Business Update** - Congratulations to That Golf Place on their ribbon cutting event - they’re already off to a great start and we wish them much success.
- **Westmont Jr. High Wrestling Team**- We are so proud of our Wrestling Panthers Team at the Westmont Jr. High - They had a very successful season and they continue to have an excellent post-season. Congratulations to all the wrestlers and the entire team.

Village Clerk Szymski

- **General Primary Elections** - Westmont Library is an official voting location for Dupage County. Early voting had begun. Check the website for details.

- **Village Hall Closures** - Village Hall will be closed April 3rd.

Trustee Guzzo

- **Fire Public Safety Committee** - 2026 meeting dates: May 28th, July 23rd, and November 12th.
- **Recap Tonight's Meeting** - Congratulated the following individuals for their years of service and awards:
 - EMA Lieutenant Robert Sipek for over 121 hours of volunteerism.
 - EMA Lieutenant Britt Cain for 107 hours of dedication.
 - Deputy Director David Lincoln was given a 30 year plaque.
 - Battalion Chief Eric Blaskovich was presented a plaque for his completion of his Chief Fire Officer Program.
 - Deputy Chief James Fitzgerald was given a plaque for his 5 year long executive fire officer program through the Federal Government.
 - Firefighter Liam O'Connor was promoted to the rank of lieutenant.
 - The teamwork award was given to: Andrew Fitzgerald, Daniela Martinez-Zuniga, Marc Skowronski, Harreson Sloier, Keith Wonsowski.
 - Life Saving Awards: Ryan Bezely, Rick Aquino, Ivan Salgado, Katie Jansen, Daniela Martinez-Zuniga, and Rebecca Guerin.
 - Life Saving Awards: Eric Blaskovich, Ryan Bezely, Andrew Hunt, and Darren Files.
 - Captain Daniel Barrett was given the Firefighter of the Year.
- **New Facility Update** - The new Fire Station was presented by 845 Group and Liapardo. Information is on the Village website for more information.
- The 2025 Year End Report will be presented and posted to the Village website.
- 3/8/2026 is daylight savings time. We spring forward. Please be sure to change the batteries in the smoke and CO detectors.
- The knights of Columbus will have a fish fry every Friday through Lent. This is being held at 25 N. Cass Avenue from 5 - 8pm.

Trustee Scales

- **Community Development Committee** - 2026 meeting dates: April 16th, July 9th, and September 17th.
- **Comprehensive Plan Update** - Staff has selected a consultant and is currently working on solidifying contracts. The process will be starting in the Spring.
- **Planning and Zoning Commission** - The next regular meeting will be held March 11th at 6:00pm and will include consideration of the new fire facility.
- **Call Julie 811 Before you Dig** - The Village posted its annual reminder to the public to call Julie 811 before you dig for any type of construction or maintenance project.

Trustee Parilli

- **Public Works Committee Meeting** - March 19th at 4:00pm.
- **UCMR 5 Water Sampling Complete** - UCMR 5 (unregulated contaminant monitoring rule 5) water sampling for 29 per and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and lithium had been completed for the water supplied to the Village of Westmont residents and no detectable unregulated contaminants were found. Postcards were mailed to all water customers and more information is available on the Westmont website.

- **River Sweep** - Volunteers are needed for this year's River Sweep April 18th. Residents are encouraged to sign up online by April 5th. This information will be on the Village website.

Trustee Plowman

- **Police Public Safety Committee** - May 14, 2026
- **E-Bike & E-Scooter Safety Program** - Sign up is open for this informative program held at the Police Department - 500 N Cass , March 25th at 6:30pm. The Village has also created a specific webpage featuring current information regarding E-Bikes & E-Scooters, visit westmont.illinois.gov/ebikes
- **Paper Shred** - Mark your calendars, the first shred event of the year for the Special Olympics will be April 18, 2026.
- **Drug Takeback Day** - April 25th at Mariano's and at 500 N Cass, from 10am - 2pm more information on the westmont website.

Trustee Liddle

- **Administration/ Finance Committee meeting** - April 2nd, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- **Petpawlooza Pet Of The Week Contest** - Everyone is invited to go to our website and sign up their pet for this weekly contest. Remember, the new Petpawlooza event will be at Veterans Memorial Park on May 16th. Details on the Village website - westmont.illinois.gov
- **Spring Windows Murals** - Businesses can now sign up for Spring Windows through westmontevents.com

Trustee Barker

- **EIC - Recap of March 2nd Meeting:** 2 guest speakers were present. The first one was from Public Works and they gave a report on street lighting. It better aligns with the Dark Sky initiative. Thanked Director Ries & crew for work on researching the possible lighting options. The second guest was from Clarke Abatement giving information on the environmental abatement options for 2026. Concerned citizens are able to sign up to receive notifications.
- **Electronics Recycling & More Events** - Our next event is April 4th in the commuter lot in front of Village Hall. Details are posted on the Village website.
- **Dark Sky Grant Program** - Details for the 2026 Dark Sky Grant program have been released. This is a program for residents and businesses, please visit the website for details and to sign up.
- **Tree Seedling Giveaway** - Residents can sign up on the Village website to receive up to three free tree seedlings on Arbor Day - April 24th.

(1) CONSENT AGENDA (Omnibus Vote):

Village Assistant Manager Parker addressed the Board on this agenda item.

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes

- Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board Meeting held on **February 19, 2026.**

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

Finance Ordinance # 5

\$1,980,611.44

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

Omega Sign & Lighting	\$139,500.00
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(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) AND FINANCE ORDINANCE(S): \$2,120,111.44

(E) COMMUNITY EVENTS

2026 Race to the Flag Event

Board to consider an ordinance approving the following request for the 2026 Race to the Flag Event to be held on Sunday, May 24, 2026:

1. Community Events Permit
2. Street Closures
3. Live Amplified Sound Permit

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider the consent agenda.
Seconded by **Trustee Scales** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

(2) VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION - 4105 N.LINCOLN STREET

Community Development Director Hennerfeind addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from George Welson and Sandy Wong for voluntary annexation of 4105 North Lincoln Street, Westmont IL 60559.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) SPECIAL USE PERMIT - TEE BOX 777 OAKMONT LANE, SUITE 50

Community Development Director Hennerfeind and the petitioners (Dominic Woodard and Luke Zajkowski) addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from 21 Handicap LLC, d/b/a Tee Box (Petitioner), and Quail Ridge Executive Illinois Realty LP (Owner) for the property located at 777 Oakmont Lane, Suite 50, Westmont, IL 60559, for a Special Use Permit to operate a Health and Fitness Service business (golf simulator business) in the O/R Office/ Research District.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(4) ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - O/R TO M - 735 N. CASS AVENUE

Community Development Director Hennerfeind, Fire Chief Riley and petitioners (Mr. Rossi) addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from 735 N Cass, LLC (Petitioner), and The Andrew C. Hoskins Trust and The Venouziou Limited Partnership (as Owners) for the property at 735 North Cass Avenue, Westmont, Illinois, 60559, for a Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the property from the O/R Office/Research District to the M Manufacturing District.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(5) 306 N. CASS AVENUE - FINAL PLAT

Attorney Zemenak addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a request from Compagno LLC (Petitioner), and 2 W Naperville Road, LLC (owner), for the property at 306 North Cass Avenue, Westmont, Illinois, 60559, for a Final Plat of Subdivision to consolidate five (5) lots into one (1) lot.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(6) 2026 BOND ISSUANCE

Finance Director Altic addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation (Alternate Revenue Source) bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$35,000,000.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(7) CREATION OF A CLASS 26 LIQUOR LICENSE CLASSIFICATION

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider an ordinance amending Chapter 10 of the Westmont Code of Ordinances to create a new Class 26 liquor license classification that would allow the sale of alcoholic liquors by arts and crafts studios when classes are offered to the public.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(8) AWARD OF BID PROPOSAL - WATER TREATMENT CONTROL AND PUMPING STATION DEMOLITION AND CHLORINATION SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

Public Works Director Ries addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance awarding the bid to Dahme Mechanical Industries, Inc. for the Water Treatment Control and Pumping Station Demo and Chlorination System Replacement project, and authorizing a construction contract consistent with the bid documents.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(9) AWARD OF BID PROPOSAL - BURLINGTON AVENUE REALIGNMENT

Public Works Director Ries addressed the Village Board on this item.

Public Comments:

- Steve Fleck, 11 N. Washington: He is an owner of Dolce Restaurant at 13 N. Cass. He stated that this will have an impact on his business and others in the area. Has also has concerns about parking in the downtown. Gave suggestions about egress and development in the community.
- Joseph Dunphy, 102 E. Burlington: Has concerns about not enough parking in the downtown area and would like to see a parking garage.
- Brian Schuering, 5719 Buck Court: He has not had trouble finding parking in the downtown area. There are many places to park. He would like to see more businesses and people living here.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance awarding the bid to A Lamp Concrete Contractors Inc. for the Burlington Avenue Realignment project, and authorizing a construction contract consistent with the bid documents.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Plowman, Scales

Nays: Parrilli

Absent: None

(10) METRA PERMIT WAIVER

Community Development Director Hennerfeind addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance granting a waiver of building and engineering permit fees and related fees to Metra for the Westmont Depot project.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS

- The State of the Village will be late in the morning. The exact time is to be determined.

(11) ADJOURNMENT - 7:45 pm

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

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

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Amanda Szymiski, Village Clerk

Steven T. Nero, Mayor

Dated this 19th day of March, 2026