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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD Thursday, April 2, 2026

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

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:	Mayor Nero	<u>P</u>	Clerk A. Szymiski	<u>A</u>
TRUSTEES:	Barker	<u>P</u>	Parrilli	<u>P</u>
	Guzzo	<u>P</u>	Plowman	<u>P</u>
	Liddle	<u>P</u>	Scales	<u>A</u>

STAFF:

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

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Lampariello A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

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Westmont Chamber President: A

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**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

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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>Y</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>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</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>A</u>	<u>A</u>							

REPORTS

Mayor Nero

- ***Downtown Parking Opportunities*** - The Village has published updated information regarding downtown parking. New opportunities as well as a plan for temporary village-sponsored valet service while the Cass and Burlington parking lot is affected due to construction. We are always looking for feedback.

Deputy Clerk Richcards

- Village Hall will be closed April 3rd and May 25th.
- New sticker prices go in effect May 1st for yard waste & bulk items. Residents are also allowed to trade in last year's sticker for this year through May 29th.
- Chamber Community Awards Dinners is April 27th. Tickets are available through the Chamber website: westmontchamber.com

Trustee Guzzo

- Reminded everyone that tomorrow is the Knights of Columbus last fish fry of the Lenten season. The dinner is at 25 N. Cass Ave from 5 - 8pm.
- The next Fire Public Safety Committee meeting is May 28, 2026 at 4:30pm
- The Fire Department is currently vacating the 6015 S. Cass Ave location and moving to their temporary facility at 328 S. Wilmette. The Fire Department Administration will have a temporary location at 39 E. Burlington during the construction of the new fire facility.

Trustee Parilli

- The next Public Works committee meeting will be June 11th at 4:30pm.
- Volunteers are still needed for this year's River Sweep, which will be April 18th. Residents are encouraged to sign up online by April 5th.
- The brush, yard waste & compost programs will resume. Flood Brothers will resume their brush, yard waste and compost programs on April 6th. Free leaf pick up begins the week of April 6-10. Please see the website for complete details.
- **Construction Projects** - Residents are reminded that they can look up construction projects on the Village website for the most current updates.
- **Adopt-a-Planter** - Residents, businesses and organizations can sign up for this year's Adopt-A-Planter program. Information can be found on the website.

Trustee Plowman

- The next Police Public Safety Committee meeting will be May 14th, at Village Hall, starting at 4:30pm.
- Recapped the E-bike / E-scooter presentation that was held on March 25th by the Police Department. Deputy Chief Thompson gave a very detailed explanation that was helpful. Residents can visit westmont.illinois.gov/ebikes for specific information regarding the ordinances.
- There will be a Papershred fundraiser for the Special Olympics on April 18th.
- Drug Take Back Day will take place on April 25th at Mariano's and 500 N. Cass Ave.

Trustee Liddle

- We had an Administration Finance Committee meeting earlier at 4:30pm.
 - Video gaming in the downtown area was discussed. Assistant Village Manager Parker provided an overview of the current regulations.
 - Discussed allowing 18 year olds to serve alcohol as long as there is a manager that is over 21. They would not be able to pour, just to serve at a table.
 - Report on software to enable public communications on the strategic plan. Board and staff have worked very hard to build this strategic plan. We spent a couple days working at evening workshops discussing and working on this. Information will be on the website.
 - The Environmental Improvement Committee annual report was presented by Communications Director McIntyre and that will also be added to our website.
- **Petpawlooza Pet Of The Week Contest** - The entire community is invited to go to our website and sign up their pet for this weekly pet of the week contest. Details on the village website - westmont.illinois.gov
- **Spring Window Murals** - A few windows have been painted, but there is still time for businesses to sign up for Spring Windows through westmontevents.com

Trustee Barker

- The Westmont Environment Improvement Committee will have their next meeting Monday, April 6th, 5:30pm at the Westmont Library.
- The Electronics and More Recycling event will be this Saturday in front of Village Hall. This is run by some businesses and volunteers at EIC. More information can be found on the website. There may be charges for certain items to be recycled.
- **Dark Sky Lighting Project** - Several projects are scheduled for the downtown area. Please see the recent news release for a listing of these projects.

- **Protect Our Pollinators Program** - Sign up through the village website to be a part of this program this spring.
- **Tree Seedling Giveaway** - Residents can sign up thru the Village website to receive up to 3 free tree seedlings on Arbor Day - April 24th. This is a Public Works initiative.
- **Call For Artists** - A call for artists for the Vision & Vibe Fest has been published. Please see the website for more information and to sign up. The event will be at Veterans Memorial Park.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

- No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

***Mayor commented that there are proclamations on the agenda for Westview Middle School and Westmont Junior High. They are up for approval tonight. However, Mayor Nero will be presenting them at the schools at a later date. Date and Time to be announced at a later time and will be shared with the Village Board.**

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Village Manager Gunther addressed the Board on this agenda item.

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes

- Board to consider approving the following:
 - Minutes of the Village Board held on **March 19, 2026**.
 - Amended Village Board meeting minutes of the meeting held **March 5, 2026**.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

Finance Ordinance # 7 **\$ 1,895,230.25**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

M.E. Simpson Company	\$73,440.00
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(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) AND FINANCE ORDINANCE(S): **\$ 1,968,670.25**

(E) PETPAWLOOZA - 2026

Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the 2026 PetPawlooza event hosted by the Westmont Special Events Corporation, May 16, 2026:

1. Community Events Permit
2. Food Truck Fee Waiver
3. Temporary Banner Permit Waiver
4. Street Closure Request — Partial closure of E. Dallas Street from Linden to the closest driveway on East Dallas.

(F) USA LUGE

Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from USA Luge for their 2026 Slider Search tryouts on August 16, 2026:

1. Street and Public Right of Way Closures: South Cass Avenue between 55th Street and West Dallas Street from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
2. Community Events permit

(G) PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

Board to consider a proclamation to declare April 12-18, 2026, National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

(H) PROCLAMATION - WESTVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL WILDCAT CHESS TEAM

Board to consider a proclamation to honor the Westview Middle School Wildcat chess team on their state championship.

(I) PROCLAMATION - WESTMONT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PANTHER WRESTLING TEAM

Board to consider a proclamation to honor the Westmont Junior High School Panther wrestling team on their state championship.

(J) PROCLAMATION - FMC NATATORIUM GRANT REQUEST - 2026 TYR PRO SERIES

Board to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant in the amount of \$58,000 to the FMC Natatorium for the TYR Pro Series Event.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

(2) AWARD OF BID PROPOSAL - RESIDENTIAL ALLEY 7S RECONSTRUCTION

Public Works Director Ries addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance awarding the bid to Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. for the Residential Alley 7S Reconstruction project and authorizing a construction contract consistent with the bid documents.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(3) ENGINEERING AGREEMENT - PHASE 3 CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING FOR RESIDENTIAL ALLEY 7S RECONSTRUCTION

Public Works Director Ries addressed the Village Board

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance authorizing an engineering services agreement with Thomas Engineering Group, LLC for Phase 3 construction engineering services for the Residential Alley 7S Reconstruction Project.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(4) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL FACILITIES BY MUNICIPAL FORCES IN THE STATE RIGHT OF WAY

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

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** for the Board to consider a Resolution authorizing construction and maintenance of municipal facilities by municipal forces in the State Right of Way.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(5) ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT - CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING FOR THE WATER TREATMENT CONTROL PLANT SYSTEM (WTCPS) DEMOLITION AND CHLORINATION SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance authorizing an engineering services agreement with Baxter and Woodman, Inc. for Phase 3 construction engineering services for the Water Treatment Control Plant System (WTCPS) Demolition and Chlorination System Replacement.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(6) AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES - WESTMONT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN & DOWNTOWN STREETScape MASTER PLAN

Community Development Director Hennerfiend and Eli Lechter addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** for the Board to consider an ordinance approving an agreement with The Lamar Johnson Collaborative Inc. and sub-consultants Krueck Sexton Partners and Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc., to prepare a Comprehensive Plan; and to prepare a Downtown Streetscape Master Plan.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(7) SPECIAL COUNSEL APPOINTMENT

Attorney Zemenak addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Parrilli** to consider an ordinance confirming the Mayor's appointment of attorney Charles Rohde as special counsel to the Village for criminal appellate court work.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(8) AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH METRO PARAMEDIC SERVICES

Fire Chief Riley addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a Fourth Amendment to the Public-Private Partnership Agreement for EMS/Firefighting Staffing with Metro Paramedic Services, Inc.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(9) LIONS CLUB - SPRING FLING 2026

Assistant Village Manager Parker, Dan Buczkowski, and Rick Martin addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a motion awarding a Hotel / Motel Grant in the amount of \$2,500 to the Westmont Lions Club for the Spring Fling Event.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

(10) LIONS CLUB - ANNIVERSARY FIREWORKS

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** for the Board to consider a motion awarding a Hotel/Motel Grant, in the amount of \$2,500, to the Westmont Lions Club for the Lions Club Anniversary Fireworks Event, in connection with the Spring Fling Event.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

MISCELLANEOUS

- None

(11) ADJOURNMENT - 6:41 pm

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

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

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman

Nays: None

Absent: Scales

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:41 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Amanda Szymiski, Village Clerk

Steven T. Nero, Mayor

Dated this 30th day of April, 2026