



**Village of Westmont  
ADMINISTRATION**

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD Thursday, May 28, 2026**

**Mayor Nero called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.**

**WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:**

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

**STAFF:**

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

**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:**

- Bonnie Wayman-Dodd, 248 Robinson: Wanted to make sure that there is communication on the south end of town. Now that the Fire Department building is under construction the digital sign has been removed. She does not follow social media for information.

- Assistant Village Manager Parker responded: Residents can sign up for notify me so that emails get sent to residents, and that the digital sign will be put up before the building goes up.
- Susan Steinmiller, 1012 S Williams St. #3: Talked about mental health and how it can affect anyone. Would like Mental Health 708 proposal to be placed on the ballot for a referendum.

**VOTING KEY:**      **A=ABSENT**      **AB=ABSTAIN**      **N=NO**      **W=Withdrawn**  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>	<b><u>7</u></b>	<b><u>8</u></b>	<b><u>9</u></b>
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>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>
	<b><u>10</u></b>	<b><u>11</u></b>	<b><u>12</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>	<b><u>14</u></b>	<b><u>15</u></b>	<b><u>16</u></b>		
TRUSTEE BARKER	<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>R</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>		
TRUSTEE PARRILLI	<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>		
TRUSTEE SCALES	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>		

**REPORTS**

**Mayor Nero**

- Gave a recap of the State of the Village Address. Mayor appreciates the Board and Village staff who were able to attend. It was a good presentation on where we are and where we are heading. Congrats to our Village Manager, who did a wonderful job on the presentation. The video should be published in the near future.
- One North Cass Community Meeting is scheduled for June 17th at Holy Trinity, 5:30pm. Holiday Properties is coordinating a community meeting and invites the public to meet and discuss the potential project at One North Cass. This is NOT a Village meeting, however the Village agreed to promote the meeting as this is an important project for our community. This is common for developers to hold these meetings and residents who are interested are encouraged to attend.

- The Independence Day celebration is right around the corner. It will be held at Ty Warner Park on July 4th. There will be a great fireworks and drone show.
- Mark Farner, The lead singer of Grand Funk Railroad, will be at the Taste of Westmont on July 11th.

#### **Clerk Szymski**

- Village Hall will be closed June 19 and July 3, 2026.

#### **Trustee Guzzo**

- The Fire Public Safety Committee meeting is on June 11, 2026, 4:30pm, at Village Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.
- Recapped the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Westmont Fire Department facility which was held on Tuesday, May 26th at 6015 S. Cass Ave. It was a wonderful ceremony and thanked everyone who was involved. On a personal note the building that is being torn down was originally dedicated to Fire Chief Frank Johanik, Trustee Guzzo's father. The new building will also be a dedication to Fire Chief Frank Johanik. Thanked everyone for their support.

#### **Trustee Scales**

- The next Community Development Committee meetings will be July 9th & September 17th.
- The Downtown Rezoning public hearing will be held on June 10th. This is a public meeting and everyone is welcome to attend. Details can be found on the Village website.

#### **Trustee Parrilli**

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be August 20th at Village Hall.
- Recapped the Public Works meeting that occurred earlier.
  - Each division came in and talked about different projects going on in the Village.
  - Talked about staffing updates.
  - Spring Tree Planting with a goal of having 250 trees for America's 250 anniversary.
  - They gave away 253 seedlings and it's also adopt-a-planter season.
  - There will be some landscaping done around Village Hall.
  - There will be updates to the bathrooms, board room, and the front doors of Village Hall.
- Encouraged residents to visit our website for construction project updates and information.

#### **Trustee Plowman**

- The next Police Public Safety Committee meeting will be August 6, 2026, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- The Lions Spring Fling Event went very well. The weather was great. Thanked Public Works, first responders, and other staff. Acknowledged the inconvenience to businesses and residents during the festival. The money that was collected from this event goes back to our community to fund many projects. Thanked the community and Village Board who were in support of the event.

- The Memorial Day parade was also a very nice event. It was a wonderful day and event. Pictures from the parade and ceremony have been posted to the Village photo gallery.
- Safer Video Program - Citizens are encouraged to let the Police Department know about their personal video cameras to help improve community safety. Information is on the Village website. The police can use your camera footage as evidence if something is caught on camera.

### **Trustee Liddle**

- The next Administration / Finance Committee meeting will be June 25th, 4:30pm, at Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Petpawpalooza was a very big success. Hundreds of guests and their pets came to the event to meet with vendors, hear educational presentations, and participate in the pet contests. A mascot was chosen, Sawyer the cat. Photos of this event have been posted on the Westmont Special Events Stanley Jamburger facebook page.
- Cruisin' Nights begin one week from today on Thursday in downtown Westmont. The first event will be held on June 4th. Overall there will be 12 events. Each event is on Thursday from 5pm - 9pm on Cass Ave. There are themes every week. June 18th will be village vehicle night (police, fire, public works). More information can be found on the Westmont Special Events website, [westmontevents.com](http://westmontevents.com)
- The Taste of Westmont is coming up. The event is scheduled for July 9-12. There are many volunteer opportunities still available and details can be found on [westmontevents.com](http://westmontevents.com). Mark Farner, the original lead singer for Grand Funk Railroad, will be performing on Saturday night. Chicago's best tribute band Dancing Queen performing the music of ABBA will be Friday night. The country's best Chris Stapleton tribute band Tennessee Whiskey will be performing on Saturday night. Country music artist Alli Walker is performing Sunday night. There will also be over 100 musicians performing over the weekend. The new South Stage will be located on Cass north of Burlington, so check it out. Great food, great vendors, all ages carnival, and more. Go to [westmontevents.com](http://westmontevents.com) for more info
- Summer window murals - Businesses can sign up for summer themed windows through [westmontevents.com](http://westmontevents.com)

### **Trustee Barker**

- The Environmental Improvement Committee has been scheduled for June 8th at the Westmont Public Library. Jon Yeater will be the speaker at that meeting. He leads our Forestry Division in Westmont.
- Vision and Vibe is scheduled for September 12-13. There is a call for artists (dance, theater, music, and art) to get involved. Information is also on the website.
- The Memorial Day service was wonderful. 1,300,000 soldiers have given their lives in the last 250 years that we have been a nation.
- Employee Jesse Raap from Public Works is the Employee of the year.
- Sidewalk improvements were also discussed during the Public Works Committee meeting.

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

- No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

**(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 **May 14, 2026**.

**(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE**

- Finance Ordinance # 11 **\$ 1,830,150.32**

**(C) PURCHASE ORDERS: None**

**(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) AND FINANCE ORDINANCE(S): **\$1,830,150.32****

**(E) PROCLAMATION - PEOPLE'S RESOURCE CENTER**

Board to consider approving a proclamation honoring People's Resource Center for over fifty years of service to DuPage County.

**(F) PROCLAMATION - GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS**

Board to consider approving a proclamation declaring June 5-7, 2026, to be National Gun Violence Awareness Weekend in the Village of Westmont.

**(G) REDUCE THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE CLASS 2 LIQUOR LICENSES**

Board to consider an ordinance reducing the number of available Class 2 liquor licenses by one (1) due to the sale of 15 W. Café, d/b/a Dolces, 13 N. Cass Avenue, Westmont, Illinois.

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, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

**\*Jenny Fabian from the People's Resource Center addressed the Village Board. She is grateful for the community and support. She spoke about food insecurity and the service to people who struggle.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**(2) INCREASE IN CLASS 2 LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE**

**Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn and Sophia Papageorge-Karvelas** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider an ordinance increasing the number of available Class 2 liquor licenses by one for 15 W. Café, d/b/a/ Dolces, 13 North Cass Avenue, Westmont, Illinois.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #2**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(3A) SUBDIVISION & WAIVER - 1351 SOUTH RIDGE ROAD**

**Senior Village Planner Williams, Attorney Zemenak, Sonja Smilga-Damjonovich, & Ellen K. Raymond** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider ordinances approving requests from Sonja Smilga for the property at 1351 South Ridge Road, Willowbrook, Illinois, 60527, for the following:

1. Preliminary Plan and Final Plat of Subdivision to create one (1) lot in the R-1(A) Single-Unit Residential District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #3A**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(3B) SUBDIVISION & WAIVER - 1351 SOUTH RIDGE ROAD**

**Senior Village Planner Williams, Attorney Zemenak, and Public Works Director Ries** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider ordinances approving requests from Sonja Smilga for the property at 1351 South Ridge Road, Willowbrook, Illinois, 60527, for the following:

2. A waiver of the fee-in-lieu contribution for right-of-way improvements that are required by Sec. 5.05(d) of the Land Development Code (second option- requires any developer to install sidewalks).

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #3B**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(4) LOT COVERAGE VARIANCE - 326 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET**

**Senior Village Planner Williams, Village Engineer Ulreich, and Richard Barclay** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a request from Richard and Carol Barclay, for the property at 326 South Washington Street, Westmont, for a Zoning Ordinance Variance to the maximum lot coverage in the R-3 Single-Unit Residential District for a deck and pool.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(5) SPECIAL USE PERMIT - 10 WEST BURLINGTON AVENUE - MAHJONG STUDIO**

**Senior Village Planner Williams and Angel Leveston** addressed the Village Board

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from Hinsdale Mahjong Society, LLC, d/b/a, HMS Mahjong Society (Petitioner), and Westmont Downtown LLC (Owner) for the property at 10 West Burlington Avenue, Westmont, for a Special Use Permit to operate an Indoor Other Participant Entertainment business (mahjong studio) in the B-1 Downtown Edge District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(6) SPECIAL USE PERMIT AMENDMENT - 50 WEST OGDEN AVENUE - TESLA**

**Senior Village Planner Williams and the General Manager of Tesla (Westmont) Zak Berta** addressed the Village Board

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a request from Tesla, Inc. and Ogden Avenue LLC for the property at 50 West Ogden Avenue, Westmont, for a Special Use Permit amendment to allow modified operations and conditions for an existing Vehicle Sales or Rentals business engaged in vehicle sales and minor vehicle repair and maintenance in the B-2 General Business District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(7) SUBDIVISION - 300 WEST 60TH STREET**

**Senior Village Planner Williams and Eric Bailey** addressed the Village Board

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from the Karen Bailey Meyer Trust and the David P. Meyer Trust for the property at 300 West 60th Street for a preliminary plan and final plat of subdivision to subdivide one (1) lot into two (2) lots in the R-3 Single-Unit Residential District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #7**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(8) MAJOR SITE PLAN - 5628 SOUTH CASS AVENUE - TOWN HOMES**

**Senior Village Planner Williams and Public Works Director Ries** addressed the Village Board.

**Public Comments:**

Bonnie Wayman-Dodd, 248 Robinson Lane - Has concerns with flooding. Drainage is a huge problem in this area and now that there will be 4 units on one property it could overload the area.

Laurel Rugen, 513 N. Grant - Has concerns about the building density on parcels. Things are getting more cramped and there isn't enough green space.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from 5628 SOUTH CASS LLC for the property at 5628 South Cass Avenue, Westmont for a Major Site Plan Approval for a Multi-Unit Building containing four (4) dwellings in the R-4 General Residential District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #8**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(9) VIDEO GAMING LIQUOR LICENSE AMENDMENT**

**Assistant Village Manager Parker** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance amending the Class 23 liquor license classification pertaining to video gaming contained in Chapter 10, Section 10-36 of the Westmont Village Code of Ordinances.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #9**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **(10) ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS - ACCESSORY VIDEO GAMING**

**Senior Village Planner Williams** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider approving requests from the Village of Westmont for the following:

1. Zoning Ordinance text amendments to Chapter 95 – Zoning, of the Westmont Code of Ordinances, Section 6.01, regarding the addition of Video Gaming, Accessory as a permitted use in the B-1(A) Downtown Core and B-1 Downtown Edge Zoning Districts.
2. Zoning Ordinance text amendments to Chapter 95 – Zoning, of the Westmont Code of Ordinance, Section 6.04, regarding the deletion of certain supplemental use regulations for Video Gaming, Accessory.

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #10**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **(11) ENGINEERING AGREEMENT - PHASE 2 DESIGN ENGINEERING RESIDENTIAL ALLEY RECONSTRUCTION**

**Public Works Director Ries** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving an engineering agreement with Thomas Engineering Group, LLC for Phase 2 design engineering for Residential Alley 14N Reconstruction.

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #11**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **(12) EXERCISE OF OPTION YEAR 1 - DUPAGE COUNTY SALT BID**

**Public Works Director Ries** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance exercising the first option year of the DuPage County Salt Bid with Compass Minerals.

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #12**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(13) INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT - SOUTH WESTMONT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**Deputy Fire Chief Fitzgerald** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the South Westmont Fire Protection District for fire protection and ambulance services.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #13**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(14) WINTRUST BANK LOCK BOX ACCOUNT**

**Finance Director Altic** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider a resolution authorizing the establishment of a new lock box account with Wintrust Bank for ambulance billing payments and authorizing signatories to that account.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #14**

Ayes: Barker, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Recuse: Guzzo

**(15) SURPLUS PROPERTY - VILLAGE HALL**

**Governmental Services Director Mielcarski** addressed the Village Board.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance to declare outdated, unused items from the departments in Village Hall as surplus property.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #15**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- None

**(16) ADJOURNMENT - 7:58 pm**

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

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:58 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Amanda Szymiski, Village Clerk

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Steven T. Nero, Mayor

Dated this 11th day of June, 2026