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Special Meeting
Village of Westmont Board of Trustees
Westmont Library Board of Trustees
June 29, 2017
6:00 P.M.

Mayor Gunter convened the Village Board of Trustees to Order at 6:01 P.M.
He asked for a roll call.

Board Members Present: Mayor Gunter, Clerk Szymiski, Trustee Barker, Trustee Barry, Trustee Guzzo, Trustee Liddle, Trustee Nero.

Absent: Trustee Addington

Village Staff Present: Manager May, Finance Director Parker, Communications Director McIntyre

Library Board President Fichtel convened the Library Board Meeting to order at 6:01pm.
He called for a roll call.

Members Present: President Fichtel, Vice President Martens, Treasurer O'Connor, Trustee Booth, Trustee Carmichael, Trustee Parikn.

Absent: Secretary Delano.

Library Staff Present: Director Coen, and Assistant Director Smith.

Library Board President Fichtel thanked the Village for this opportunity and introduced their new board member Trustee Parikn.

Mayor Gunter turned the meeting over to Finance Director Parker who talked about the relationships between the Library Board and the Village Board.

Finance Director Parker talked about the appropriations and the tax levy. The library does not have any authority to levy taxes on their own, unless it's granted by the appropriations ordinance. Legally and technically the library is part of the Village for those purposes. In practice whatever the Library wants to appropriate the Village has to pass that as part of their appropriations ordinance.

Property taxes were also covered. Property taxes make up about 18% of our revenue sources. If property taxes are frozen it will impact the Village, but not as much as the Library because their revenue comes from 98% of the property tax.

Debt was also covered. It works similarly to the appropriations of levy. Technically the Village would set the debt but not have to be responsible for it.



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Financial reports were also covered. Now they are separate reports.

IMRF pension system considers us as if we are identical. The W-2's are reported under the Village's FEIN, but the 1099's are reported under separate FEIN's.

In terms of the health insurance provider, we are part of the same health insurance pool, IPBC. We are also in a subpool of Westmont, so the Village /Library are together, but the Park District is separate and have their plans structured a different way. The employee health insurance rates are determined by what the individual boards decide.

The Liability, Workers Comp insurance, personnel policies, employee benefits are also handled separately. We are all lumped together on the treasurer's report.

Bank and legal services are handled separately. They do not interact, and are separate accounts.

In terms of Intergovernmental agreements those are areas where we work together but we to into it as two separate entities. We have an intergovernmental agreements for our accounting services and electronic message boards. Up for consideration tonight is entering into an IGA for IT services. Julia will cover that a little later tonight.

Other areas of cooperation are supplying meeting rooms, programs, community events, community committees, staff committees, permit fee waivers, and informal staff collaboration.

Mayor Gunter wanted to meet all the Library officials. In years past the Library stood alone but now they are involved totally in the community which is a big step.

Library President Fichtel talked about when he first was in office the Library was not that involved but they are now totally committed to the community.

Manager May talked about the many years we have worked together. He talked about the intergovernmental agreements that help all of us.

Mayor Gunter reiterated that we work well together.

Library Director Coen replied that the Mayor was correct about how a lot of Villages don't work together with other taxing bodies in their communities. She also talked about the digital branch and the Makery. She gave kudos to the staff that set up reading events, annual Westmont reads and Monthly Book Clubs. She also explained you can book a Librarian. You also can get passes to museums, botanic gardens, and zoos

Director Coen went over their renovations that opened space. They have new bathrooms, new shelving, They have updated their strategic plan.



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Manager May commented on how we have public meetings in the Library plus our own facility.

Village Trustee Barker reported that Westmont First is grateful that they can hold meetings there. Trustee Barker commented also on the great library it is and all the activity. As a resident it's nice to watch the growth of the Westmont Public Library.

Library Trustee Martens commented how the community outreach is due to Julia and the other staff members.

Library Trustee Booth thanked Westmont Finance Director Parker for attending their meetings.

Mayor Gunter complimented everyone on our good relationship and the Library turn around.

Westmont Communications Director McIntyre talked about the Sister City Program and passed out the attached sheet about it.

Mayor Gunter explained that TECO bought the building on 63rd Street and became a big part of our community. When he visited Taiwan as their guest he was treated so exceptionally well.

Library Trustee Carmichael commented on the Taiwan cultural experiences and how wonderful they are.

Library Trustee Parikn is interested in this wonderful sister city program.

1. Manager May presented the Intergovernmental Agreement for IT services.

- a. *Village Trustee Liddle* made a motion to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement for IT Services.
- b. *Village Trustee Nero* seconded the motion.
- c. The Vote was all Ayes. The motion passed.
- d. Five Ayes. One Absent.

- e. *Library Trustee Martens* made a motion to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement for IT services.
- f. *Library Trustee O'Connor* seconded the motion.
- g. The Vote was all ayes. The motion passed.
- h. Six Ayes. One Absent.

Village Trustee Guzzo talked about the effect of the new Library. Kudos to everyone for working together. She went to the "Where have the Monarch's Gone" program and it was done very well.



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Village Trustee Barry commented on the booklet and how great it is. Especially during the summer.

Mayor Gunter explained how the Library was located the the Westmont Park District Administration Building. It was owned by the American Legion. The Westmont Park District bought it in 1991 and 1992. He also discussed the architects and contractor problems.

Village Trustee Barry commented that the Building now has been named for Mayor Ronald Gunter.

2. Adjournment of Meeting

- a. *Village Trustee Guzzo* made a motion to adjourn the Westmont Village Board Meeting.
- b. *Village Trustee Barker* seconded the motion.
- c. The Vote was all ayes. The motion passed.
- d. Five ayes. One absent.

- e. *Library Trustee Booth* made a motion to adjourn the Westmont Library Board Meeting.
- f. *Library Trustee Carmichael* seconded the motion.
- g. The Vote was all ayes. The motion passed.
- h. Six Ayes. One absent.

The Joint Meeting of the Westmont Village Board and the Westmont Library Board adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymiski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this July 20, 2017.