

Clerk's Office  
**Village of Westmont**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, September 5, 2013.**

**Mayor Gunter** called the meeting to order at **7:02 PM.**

**WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymiski P

**TRUSTEES:** Addington P Barker P  
Barry P Nero P  
Scott P Senicka P

**STAFF:**

**Searl** P

(Village Manager)

**Parker** P

(Finance Director)

**Carlson** A

(Staff Accountant)

**Kaufman** P

(Fire Dept. Prevention Bureau)

**Dep. Chief Brenza** A

(Police Dept.)

**Liljeberg** A

(I.T. Manager)

**Chief Weiss** A

(Fire Dept.)

**Chief Mulhearn** P

(Police Dept.)

**Malik** A

(Community Development & Village Planner)

**Casey** P

(H.R. Director)

**Ramsey** P

(Water Dept. Supervisor)

**Dep. Chief Gunther** A

(Police Dept.)

**McIntyre** P

(Communication Coordinator)

**Ziegler** P

(Village Planner)

**May** P

(Public Works Director & Asst. Village Mgr)

**Dep. Chief Connolly** P

(Fire Dept.)

**ATTORNEY:** Zemenak P

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

**PRESS:** Suburban Life Newspapers A Chicago Tribune Local A

**VISITORS:**

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

**OPEN FORUM:**

- Resident Pete Kramer, 259 N. Linden Avenue, Westmont, addressed the Board concerning the problems observed of public urination and people blocking the sidewalk outside of the Labor Ready building. Police Chief Mulhearn addressed these concerns.
- Chief Mulhearn announced the 12th annual 9-11 ceremony will be conducted, Sunday, September 8th at 1:00 pm at the Police / Fire building located at 500 N. Cass Avenue.
- Larry Forssberg of the Westmont Chamber announced the 2nd annual Pet Promenade will be held Saturday, September 14th, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm at TY Warner Park.

**VOTING KEY:**      A=ABSENT                  AB=ABSTAIN                  N=NO      W=Withdrawn  
                                 P=PRESENT                  Y=YES                          V=VACATION

**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.*

|                   | <b><u>VOTING SUMMARY</u></b> |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
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| TRUSTEE ADDINGTON | <u>Y</u>                     | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE BARKER    | <u>Y</u>                     | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE BARRY     | <u>Y</u>                     | <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>        | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE SCOTT     | <u>Y</u>                     | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE SENICKA   | <u>Y</u>                     | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>N</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        | <u>Y</u>        |

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| TRUSTEE ADDINGTON | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE BARKER    | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE BARRY     | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE NERO      | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE SCOTT     | <u>Y</u>        |
| TRUSTEE SENICKA   | <u>Y</u>        |

**REPORTS**

**Mayor Gunter**

- Presented Ms. Electa Chonko, Daughters of the American Revolution, with a Proclamation recognizing Constitution Week.
- Asked Trustee Barker to introduce everybody to Westmont First and announce the committee members.
- Trustee Barker announced first official open meeting will be held next Tuesday at 7:00 pm at the Westmont Center.
- Reminded everyone the next Coffee with the Mayor will be held Saturday, at 10:00 am at the Library.
- Requested the Building & Zoning Committee review the fee (i.e. signage) for existing Westmont businesses that relocated within Westmont.
- Requested Westmont Fire Prevention, Larry Kaufman, to provide an update about efforts concerning the fire alarm monitoring system.

**Clerk Szyski**

- Congratulate Special Events on their fabulous Street Faire this summer.
- Encourage everyone to attend the 9-11 ceremony.

**Attorney Zemenak**

- Nothing this evening.

**Village Manager Searl**

- Invited to the podium St. Jude Race to the Flag Committee, including employees HR Director Cathy Casey and Water Supervisor Mike Ramsey to present their report.

**Trustee Senicka**

- Congratulated Tim Hoerman, owner of Urban Legend Brewery on their opening.
- Thanks WSEC for the long hours they put in over this summer.

**Trustee Barker**

- Congratulated WSEC for the Westmont Street Faire.
- Looking forward to attending the 9-11 ceremony.
- Mentioned Holy Trinity will be celebrating a 75th Jubilee on October 19th with a dinner at the Abbington.

**Trustee Nero**

- Introduced Water Supervisor Mike Ramsey and Community Communications Larry McIntyre to describe the rain barrel program.

**Trustee Barry**

- Congratulated WSEC for the Westmont Street Faire and all the volunteers.
- Congratulated Tracey Valero as DJ's will be celebrating their 20th anniversary.

**Trustee Addington**

- Brought up concern about grading to Public Works Director May about new home being built at 411 N Warwick Ave.
- Asked Manager Searl if any Board members are going to the DuPage Convention lunch

- lunch. Volunteered to go. Larry Forssberg mentioned he will attend.
- Asked if Board members are reimbursed for attending the Illinois Municipal League conference. Trustee Senicka responded that Trustees have paid out of pocket over the past few years to attend IML.

**Trustee Scott**

- Nothing this evening.

**(1) ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion by **Trustee Scott** to consider a proclamation to declare September 17 through September 23, 2013 as Constitution Week in the Village of Westmont.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #1**

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Present: None.

**(2) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:** Motion by **Trustee Scott** to approve the Consent Agenda Items (A), (B) and (C).

**(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES:** Minutes of the Village Board Meeting held on **August 22, 2013**.

**(B) PROCLAMATIONS:** A proclamation declaring September 19, 2013 as "Drive 4 Pledges Day" - a teen distracted driving summit initiative.

**(C) FINANCE ORDINANCE #10:** Dated **September 5, 2013**, in the amount of **\$656,964.80**.

**(D) PURCHASE ORDERS**

|                 |                                                                     |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>11031643</b> | Gregory Property & Development<br>Greenleaf Subdivision completion. | <b>\$ 22,106.82</b> |
| <b>11031630</b> | Black Box Network Services<br>Annual phone system maintenance.      | <b>\$ 8,290.00</b>  |
| <b>11031732</b> | Westmont Park District<br>Salary cost sharing per agreement.        | <b>\$ 7,800.98</b>  |
| <b>11031670</b> | Hornik Engineer Systems, Inc.                                       | <b>\$ 7,670.00</b>  |

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|          | Backflow tests May 7- July 29, 2013.                                      |                     |
| 11031766 | Global Emergency Products<br>Parts to repair Engine #1832.                | \$ 6,053.00         |
| 11031713 | Hornik Engineer Systems, Inc.<br>Backflow tests July 30- August 13, 2013. | \$ 5,200.00         |
|          | <b>Total of Purchase Orders</b>                                           | <b>\$ 57,120.80</b> |

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #2** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### (3) COM ED VARIANCE APPROVAL REQUEST:

**ComEd rep Teri Simmons** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

No questions or comments from the public.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance granting a Zoning Code Variance request from ComEd in cooperation with Village Staff to allow an increased fence height in an R-4 Residential District. Seconded by **Trustee Barry** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #3** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

#### (4) LIFE SAFETY GRANT FUNDING INCREASE:

**Finance Director Parker and Village Planner Ziegler** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

No questions or comments from the public.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance amending the Facade Grant program, increasing the program an additional \$10,288.00 for the 2013-2014 Fiscal Year regarding available funding for life safety improvements.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**      Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero and Scott.  
Nays: Senicka.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **(5) COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 201 HOMECOMING 2013:**

**Communications Coordinator McIntyre** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

No questions or comments from the public.

Motion by **Trustee Scott** to consider an ordinance allowing for amplified sound during the school homecoming celebration on Thursday, October 3, 2013.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**      Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

#### **(6) STRAY ANIMAL CARE FEE INCREASE:**

**Police Chief Mulhearn** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

No questions or comments from the public.

Motion by **Trustee Senicka** to consider amending Ordinance 12-61 to increase the fee charged to the claiming owner for the care of a stray dog or cat. Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**      Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.

Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(7) REGULAR MEETING AGENDA MODIFICATION:**

**Manager Searl** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

No questions or comments from the public.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider amending Chapter 2 of the Westmont Code of Ordinances to add Committee Reports to the regular meeting agendas of the Village Board of Trustees. Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #7** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**(8) ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by **Trustee Scott** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

**VOTE ON MOTION #8** Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Scott and Senicka.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
Present: None.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:04PM**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Virginia Szymiski, Village Clerk

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Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 19th day of September 2013.