

Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, August 3, 2017.**

Mayor Gunter called the meeting to order at **6:01 P.M.**

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymski P

TRUSTEES: Addington P Barker P
Barry P Guzzo P
Liddle P Nero P

STAFF:

May <u>P</u> (Village Mgr)	Parker <u>P</u> (Finance Director)	Ziegler <u>P</u> (Community Development Director)
Crane <u>A</u> (H.R. Director)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications Director)	Liljeberg <u>P</u> (I.T. Manager)
Chief Gunther <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Brenza <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Gruen <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)
Chief Weiss <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	Dep. Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	Dep. Chief Connelly <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)
Ramsey <u>A</u> (P.W. Director)	Mulhearn <u>A</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)	Olsen <u>A</u> (Assistant Finance Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Perez A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Chicago Tribune A Independent: Daniel Smrokowski A
Bugle A

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - P

VISITORS: None.

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPEN FORUM:

- Simon Chen, 117 E 57th Street
 - Considers the wet area near his home a public safety issue because of standing water where mosquitos can breed and infect people with West Nile Virus or other diseases. Questioned why this is considered a private issue and what evidence is there to support that claim.

Mayor Gunter commented that this is not something new to the Village. This has happened numerous times in Oakwood. The neighbors created a water dam. It's a private issue because it's on private property. It's not our job to go to private property and fix it. We can assist but we can not fix. Recommended that Mr. Chen contact staff tomorrow.

Manager May commented that this is not the forum to debate this topic. We can accept your comments, but this isn't the place to debate.

Mr. Chen requested that the Village Board look into this issue.

Mayor Gunter commented that staff will try to provide further information. You will have to deal with staff.

VOTING KEY: A=ABSENT AB=ABSTAIN N=NO W=Withdrawn
P=PRESENT Y=YES R= RECUSED

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>
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE BARKER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE BARRY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE GUZZO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
TRUSTEE NERO	Y	Y	Y	R	Y	Y	Y	Y
	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>			
TRUSTEE ADDINGTON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
TRUSTEE BARKER	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
TRUSTEE BARRY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
TRUSTEE GUZZO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
TRUSTEE NERO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Sister City Update - On August 14th at 8pm we will have a virtual signing ceremony. Please arrive at 7:30pm. We are going to go live skyping and we have had a trial run presented on three T.V.'s. This is a public meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

- Concerts in the Park - There is only one more concert this summer. It will be on Wednesday, August 9th, at Veterans Memorial Park. The start time is 7pm.

Clerk Szymski

- The community garage sales are this weekend. The dates are August 4, 5, 6th. We have added the Sunday option and hope that residents will take advantage of the extra day.
- Wished Larry Forssberg a Happy Belated Birthday. His Birthday was July 25th.
- Wished a Happy Birthday to Manager May.

Trustee Addington

- Next Tuesday morning the Strategic Plan Team will have a meeting here (Executive Session Conference Room) at 10:00am. Larry McIntyre and Manager May have done a very good job of bringing it together.
- Recapped the Economic Development Meeting that took place on August 2nd. We had one presentation for a proposal for One North Cass Project. It is a (7) seven story building that will have retail and upscale apartments in the downtown.
- We have been working on redoing the sign ordinance. Signs were mentioned in 14 or 15 different spots in our ordinance. We are trying to streamline this and have it all located in the same place.
- On July 28th there was a groundbreaking for the expansion of Laurel BMW in Westmont. Westmont Drive is now closed. This project will expand and rebuild the entire brand new dealership and enhance sales and service.
- Porsche has also had a groundbreaking and is continuing to expand their operations.

Trustee Guzzo

- We had a Finance Committee meeting earlier. Financing options were discussed for the new public works facility.
- The next Finance Committee meeting will be September 14th here at Village Hall. We will continue to discuss our funding options at that meeting.
- Happy Birthday to Clerk Szymski.

Trustee Barry

- The next Public Works Committee will meet in a couple of months.
- Promoted Richmond Gardens activities at the National Night Out event.
- The Environmental Improvement Commission is working on updates to our Village Website. This will assist people with information on what can or can't be recycled.
- At this point everyone has received the new garbage cans, and exchanges have been made for the people who want smaller ones.
- There will be fall initiatives including pumpkin composting and a plant sale. That information along with the Halloween events will be announced soon.
- Thanked Trustee Linda Liddle, WSEC, and the volunteers for Cruisin' Nights and Taste of Westmont.

Mayor Gunter mentioned that the Cruisin' Nights was cancelled this evening due to weather. However, fire truck night is coming up on August 24th.

Trustee Nero

- Public Safety Committee Meeting will be August 31, 2017 at 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Invited the Fire Chief to the podium.
 - Reminded the public that Fire Truck Night will be Thursday, August 24th.
 - The Kid's Safety Camp just finished up. We had a high number of kids participate this time around. Thanked the businesses that provided lunch for the kids.
 - The September 11th Service will be at 500 N. Cass and will begin at 6:30pm.
 - If you are interested in becoming an EMA or CERT volunteer, please call 630-981-6400 for more information.
 - Last week Deputy Chief Riley and Fire Chief Weiss went to North Carolina to go before the Commission and go through the accreditation process. Chief Weiss presented Deputy Chief Riley an award because of all of his hard work on the accreditation of the Fire Department.
 - Chief Weiss mentioned how we were one of 239 fire departments in the United States that were accredited. The Westmont Fire Department is the only part-time fire department that has a ISO Class 1 status.

Trustee Liddle

- Recapped the Administration Committee Meeting
 - Information was presented on the Westmont Chamber Banner program.
 - Administration has reported that we have three new hires.
 - There is a new look for the employee intranet.
 - The Clerk's Office is starting on Business License Renewals for the next year.
 - The Prostate Center will be having a 5K Run / 3K Walk on September 10th on Pasquinelli Drive. More information will be forthcoming.
 - We are going to have the US Luge tryouts in Westmont on Cass Avenue. They will take place September 16th and 17th. They are coming back to Westmont because they have found that this is the perfect hill to work on. Details will be available online and in the neighbors magazine.
 - We have 4 more weeks of Cruisin' Nights. Please come out and join us for the festivities.

Mayor Gunter congratulated Trustee Barker on the marriage of his second daughter.

Trustee Barker

- Congratulated the Police Department on their National Night Out. It was a special night with perfect weather. It was another great event.
- There are two meetings coming up.
 - Community Development Committee will meet here on August 17th at 4:30pm at Village Hall.
 - Westmont First will meet Monday, August 21st at 6:00pm at the Westmont Public Library.

Trustee Addington mentioned that because the sign ordinance information will be discussed, it was suggested that CDC start at 4:00pm.

Manager May stated that if that is what the recommendation was for that meeting, we will publish it that way.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

- Nothing to be removed from the consent agenda.

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to approve the consent agenda.

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES:

Board to consider approving the minutes of the Village Board meeting held July 20, 2017.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE # 7: Dated **August 3, 2017**, in the amount of
\$ 1,095,142.25

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

11042305	Illinois EPA	\$ 25,984.86
11042327	Westmont Chamber of Commerce	\$ 24,000.00
	Total of Purchase Orders	\$ 49,984.86
	Total of Purchase Orders and Finance Ordinance #5	\$1,145,127.11

(D) COMMUNITY EVENTS - 2017 CHICAGO PROSTATE CENTER 5K

Board to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the 2017 Chicago Prostate Center 5K to be held on September 10, 2017:

1. Community Events Permit
2. Live Amplified Sound Permit

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Addington, Barry, Barker, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Gunter addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a motion to accept the Mayor's appointment of Stella Qualizza to the Board of Fire and Police Commission.

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

Stella spoke about herself. She has lived in Westmont, and has been a volunteer in the community for many years. Thanked everyone for the opportunity.

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Addington, Barry, Barker, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None

(3) 5809 WESTERN AVENUE - ANNEXATION AND REZONING

Community Development Director Ziegler addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from John Griffin for the following:

1. Annexation request to incorporate the subject lot into the Village of Westmont.
2. Map Amendment request to Rezone from R-1 Single Family Detached Residence District to R-2 Single Family Detached Residence District.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Guzzo, Nero, Barry, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(4) 3500 MIDWEST ROAD - THE HARP GROUP AND FMC AQUATIC OPPORTUNITIES

Community Development Director Ziegler and Mrs. Coffman addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests from the Harp Group and FMC Aquatic Opportunities at 3500 and 3503 Midwest Road for the natatorium in the PD - B-3 Planned Development Special Business District:

1. Revised Site and Landscaping Plan approval
2. Final Plat of Subdivision

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Recused: Nero

(5) PROPOSED SPECIAL SERVICE AREA

Fire Chief Weiss, Attorney Zemenak, and Village Manager May addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance proposing the establishment of a Special Service Area for properties currently in the North Westmont Fire Protection District.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(6) GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND SERIES 2017 - ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE

Finance Director Parker and Tom Chapman addressed the board on this item.

Finance Director Parker talked about how the bonds will be a means to get some of our major projects done. We will find out our rating next week. We hope to issue bonds in August. We will be getting bank qualified bonds, which means we get a better interest rate. That also means we are committing to not issue more than 10 million dollars in debt in the calendar year of 2017.

The Mayor mentioned that there was an hour and a half interview for the bond rating and what a wonderful job Finance Director Parker did with answering every question, and had all of the answers.

Mr. Chapman also acknowledged that Finance Director Parker's knowledge was very impressive and that the analyst on the phone was also impressed.

Mr. Chapman talked about our bond rating. We are currently rated at AA+. This is just under the highest rating, which is AAA. We expect from the interest rate standpoint to do very well. It is expected to be in the low 3%.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017 of the Village of Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 for the purpose of financing the cost of a municipal stormwater management program and public infrastructure and paying certain costs of issuance of the Bonds, and providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(7) SISTER CITY PROGRAM

Mayor Gunter and Communications Director McIntyre addressed the board on this item.

The signing ceremony will be August 14th. The signing ceremony will be moved to 7:30pm, so we ask everyone to get here by 7:00pm in the Village Hall Board Room.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** to consider an ordinance approving the following actions related to the Sister City Program:

1. An ordinance approving a Sister City Agreement with Hsinchu County, Taiwan.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(8) SISTER CITY PROGRAM

Mayor Gunter and Communications Director McIntyre addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving the following actions related to the Sister City Program:

2. An ordinance amending Section 2-33 of the Westmont Code of Ordinances to create a Sister City Committee.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(9) IMRF RESOLUTION

Attorney Zemenak addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider the following actions related to IMRF participation:

1. A resolution related to IMRF participation by elected officials.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(10) IMRF ORDINANCE

Attorney Zemenak addressed the board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider the following actions related to IMRF participation:

2. An ordinance related to IMRF participation or an alternative plan for elected officials.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Guzzo, Nero, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- None

(11) CLOSED SESSION: As requested by Mayor Gunter, a motion was made by **Trustee Addington** to move into Executive Session at 6:57 PM to discuss the purchase of real estate pursuant to section (2) (c) (5) of the Open Meetings Act.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Guzzo, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(12) RECONVENE REGULAR BOARD MEETING: Motion by **Trustee Addington** to move out of Executive Session and to reconvene the regular Board meeting at 7:27 pm.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #12

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Nero, Guzzo, and Liddle.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

(13) ADJOURNMENT: Motion by **Trustee Addington** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #13

Ayes: Addington, Barry, Barker, Liddle, Guzzo, and Nero.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

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MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:29 P.M.



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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 17th day of August, 2017