



Village of Westmont

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, November 30, 2023.**

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

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymski P

TRUSTEES: Barker P Simonovich P
Brady P Guzzo P
Liddle P Nero P

STAFF:

May <u>P</u> (Village Manager)	Parker <u>P</u> (Assistant Manager)	Pollack <u>P</u> (Interim CD Director)
Brainerd <u>P</u> (H.R. Director)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications)	Johanpeter <u>A</u> (I.T.)
Chief Gunther <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Thompson <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	Dep Chief Gruen <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)
Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	Williams <u>A</u> (Human Resources)	Mulhearn <u>P</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)
Hennerfiend <u>P</u> (Deputy CD Director)	Mielcarski <u>P</u> (Administration Supervisor)	Ries <u>P</u> (Public Works Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Lampariello A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Bugle A

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - P

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**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 BRADY	<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 NERO	<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 SIMONOVICH	<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>
	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>					
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>					
TRUSTEE BRADY	<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>					
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<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>					
TRUSTEE SIMONOVICH	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>					

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- The Village of Westmont is aware that a lawsuit has been filed regarding the accident that occurred earlier this year resulting in the death of one of our employees. While the reality of this tragedy is recognized due to the pending litigation, the Village is unable to comment further on this topic at this time.
- Holly Days festival will begin Saturday night, December 2nd with the Frosty and Friends parade. At 4:30 pm the Westmont High School choir will be performing in Addington Plaza and then at 5:00 pm the parade will begin. The tree lighting ceremony will start at about 5:45 pm as soon as the parade is over. Pictures with Santa will be at the Westmont Train Station following the tree lighting.

Clerk Szymski

- Village offices will be closed December 22nd and 25th for Christmas. Additional closures are listed on the Village website.

Trustee Liddle

- Recapped the special Administrative / Finance Committee meeting this afternoon.
 - Waste service proposals were discussed.
 - Received an update for Paid Leave for All Workers Act. This takes place in January of 2024.
 - Past due accounts receivable was discussed.
 - A review was given for capital improvements.

- There is still time for businesses to sign up for the window mural program. Contact Westmont Special Events at 630-829-9378 for more information.

Trustee Nero

- The next Public Works Committee meeting is December 28th, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- Specific stakeholders and the public at large are invited to participate in the West Quincy Phase 2 Visioning Workshop on Dec. 7 at 4:30pm in the Village Hall, 31 W. Quincy Street.
- Just a reminder that free brush pick-up ends on Friday, December 15. Residents should check the Village website for additional information.

Trustee Simonovich

- The next meeting for the Police Public Safety Committee meeting will be January 25, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- If you see it, report it. We just reissued a reminder to all of our citizens that if you are witnessing an emergency or crime, or even if you just see something suspicious, never hesitate to call 9-1-1. Every second counts when responding to an emergency.
- Warming Center Announcement: With colder weather approaching, the Village has published updated information on our website regarding warming centers in Westmont, which provides a safe location for people to go and stay warm, if needed.

Trustee Guzzo

- The Fire Public Safety Committee meeting will be December 14th, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Once again the Fire Department is reminding residents to Keep the Wreath Red this holiday season. Information regarding this program and holiday fire safety tips has been published on the website. Thanksgiving is one of the top 3 holidays for reported home fires, so it's important for people to be diligent about keeping their families safe.

Trustee Brady

- The next Community Development Committee meeting will be February 8, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Reminded everyone that the application window for the Downtown Incentive Program remains open through Friday, December 8. Applications submitted after the deadline will only be accepted if funding remains available.
- The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2023.

Trustee Barker

- The next Environmental Improvement Committee meeting will be December 4, 5:30pm at Village Hall.
- Holiday Lights Recycling: Currently there are collection boxes for the holiday light recycling program in place at the Westmont Library and the Johanik Fire Station. Collection will continue through the end of January.

- The next Environmental Improvement Committee will be Monday, December 4, 2023 and will feature a guest speaker from Clarke Mosquito to address the efficacy of their mosquito control products.

Mayor Gunter announced that the Holly Days parade will be coming down Quincy. There are no more barricades up and the sidewalks are open.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

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

(A) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board to consider approving the minutes of the following Board meetings:

- Joint meeting with the Westmont Park District Board of Commissioners held November 8, 2023.
- Village Board meeting held November 16, 2023.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

- **Finance Ordinance #16 in the amount of \$ 1,812,820.88**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

No Purchase Orders for this meeting.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) REZONING AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT - 1000/1010 VANDUSTRIAL - MARIANI LANDSCAPE

Interim Community Development Director Pollack, Walter Roach, and Nate Burch addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Public Comment:

Patti Desmond, 328 Cromwell Court - She is ok with the special conditions. The biggest problem for them was the grass clippings that sat out for a long time and they could not utilize their backyard space.

Motion made by **Trustee Barker** to consider an ordinance approving requests by AMALFI PROPERTIES, LLC (Owner) and MARIANI ENTERPRISES, LLC (Business Owner), regarding the property at 1000 and 1010 Vandustrial Drive, for the following:

- A. Map Amendment to rezone from M Manufacturing District to M-1 Limited Manufacturing District.
- B. Special Use Permit and associated Site Plan for accessory outdoor storage for a landscape contractor's office in the M-1 Limited Manufacturing District.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) REDUCE AVAILABLE CLASS 8 & CLASS 23 LIQUOR LICENSES

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn and Jeremy Blair addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance reducing the number of available Class 8 & 23 liquor licenses for Westmont Uptown, Inc. at 12 and 14 West Burlington Avenue, Westmont. due to an ownership change:

- A. Reduce the # of available Class 23 & Class 8 liquor licenses by one due to a change of ownership of Westmont Uptown, Inc.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(4) INCREASE AVAILABLE CLASS 8 & CLASS 23 LIQUOR LICENSES

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn and Jeremy Blair addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider ordinances increasing the number of available Class 8 & 23 liquor licenses for Westmont Uptown, Inc. at 12 and 14 West Burlington Avenue, Westmont. due to an ownership change:

- A. Increase the # of available Class 8 liquor licenses by one for the new owner of Westmont Uptown, Inc.
- B. Increase the number of available Class 23 (video gaming) liquor licenses by one for the new owner of Westmont Uptown, Inc.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(5) OUTDOOR DINING ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS

Interim Community Development Director Pollack addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance amending Chapter 22 of the Municipal Code to create business licensing regulations for outdoor dining on public sidewalks.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(6) OUTDOOR DINING ON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS

Motion by **Trustee Simonovich** to consider a motion to amend the first year fee for the businesses on Quincy Street for the outdoor dining business license on public sidewalks.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(7) PROPOSAL FOR REMODELING WORK - 6015 S. CASS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Riley addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a Proposal and Addendum with Albrite Building, Inc. for remodeling work to two bathrooms located in the Fire Department, 6015 S. Cass Avenue.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(8) DUPAGE COUNTY NHMP RESOLUTION

Fire Chief Riley addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a Resolution adopting the 2023 DuPage County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(9) SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Mayor Gunter addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Simonovich** to consider a motion to postpone an ordinance approving a settlement agreement.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

(10) SURPLUS PROPERTY - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance declaring the attached inventory list of vehicles and equipment which are outdated, non-functioning, replaced, or otherwise not economically maintainable as surplus property.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS:

- The Holly Days Parade is on Saturday. Encouraged everyone to attend.

(11) REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Gunter requested a motion to adjourn to executive session to address the following:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, or performance of specific employees pursuant to section 2 C 1 of the Open Meetings Act.
2. Pending litigation between the Village and the following parties pursuant to section 2C11 of the Open Meetings Act.
 - a. Illinois OSHA
 - b. Tomax Tree Service
 - c. Estate of Matt Heiden

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to go into executive session.
Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Barker, Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Simonovich, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: None

(12) ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board to consider a motion to adjourn at **7:58pm**

Motion by **Trustee Simonovich** to reconvene the regular meeting.
Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #12

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Simonovich, Nero
Nays: None
Absent: None

(13) ADJOURNMENT - 7:59 pm

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by **Trustee Barker** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #13

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich
Nays: None
Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:59 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szynski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 14th day of December, 2023