



Village of Westmont

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, April 4, 2024.**

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 A
Brady P Guzzo P
Liddle P Nero A

STAFF:

May <u>P</u> (Village Manager)	Parker <u>P</u> (Assistant Manager)	Hennerfeind <u>P</u> (CDD Director)
Brainerd <u>P</u> (H.R. Director)	McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications)	Liljeberg <u>A</u> (I.T.)
Chief Gunther <u>P</u> (Police Dept.)	Westra <u>P</u> (Assistant Finance Director.)	Narducci <u>P</u> (Interim Finance Director)
Chief Riley <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.)	D.C. Fitzgerald <u>P</u> (Public Works Supervisor)	Beusse <u>P</u> (Public Works Supervisor)
Mulhearn <u>P</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)	Mielcarski <u>P</u> (Administration Supervisor)	Ries <u>A</u> (Public Works Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak A Lampariello P

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:

- There was no one for open forum.

VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**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

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
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>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>
TRUSTEE SIMONOVICH	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>
	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>						
TRUSTEE BARKER	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE BRADY	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE GUZZO	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>						
TRUSTEE NERO	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>						
TRUSTEE SIMONOVICH	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>						

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Staff is working with Flood Brothers to disseminate information regarding the transition to the new village recycling and waste hauler, which will officially begin May 1. Information regarding the new waste hauler, updates regarding programs and services, and the rollout for the transition to the new vendor has been published on the Village website. Additionally, a news release highlighting the details of the transition is expected to be published within the next week.
- Recapped Coffee with the Mayor that occurred a week ago Saturday. Thanks to the Library for hosting. We had over 40 people that attended and one of the main topics was the new waste hauler, Flood Brothers. They were there to make a presentation. The next Coffee with the Mayor will be May 18th at the new Park District facility which they named Park Place which is on the south west corner of Veterans Memorial Park. It is located on South Linden and it is in Veterans Memorial Park.

Village Clerk Szymski

- Village Hall will be closed Memorial Day, Monday May 27th

Trustee Liddle

- Recapped the Administration Finance Committee meeting.
 - The Environmental Improvement Committee Annual Report was presented. More information is available on the website.
 - Waste Hauling with Flood Brothers was discussed.
 - Pocket Parks were discussed
 - State Grocery Tax was also discussed

- Human Resources talked about the hiring
- The US Luge Event is coming back to Westmont.

Trustee Barker

- The Environmental Improvement Committee met on Monday night.
 - Village Forester, Jon Yeater, was a guest speaker and he talked about increasing the tree canopy.
 - The next guest speaker was from the High School and she talked about gardening.
- There is a Recycling and More Event which will be this Saturday, April 6, 8am - Noon. That will take place on West Quincy in front of the Village Hall. Complete details have been published on the Village website.
- The EIC Annual Report will be on the Village Website.
- The Westmont Library Garden Expo will be April 27. More details on the Village Website.

Trustee Simonovich is absent. Mayor Gunter gave a report on her behalf.

- The next Police Public Safety Committee meeting will be April 18, 2024, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- There is a Paper Shred Fundraiser for Special Olympics on April 13 at the Police Department, 500 N Cass Ave, details are on the village website.
- Drug Take Back Day will be April 27th at the Police Department, 500 N Cass Ave & Mariano's, 150 W. 63rd Street.

Trustee Brady

- The next Community Development Committee meeting will be May 2, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- There will be a zoning ordinance update. This was an 18 month study that will be presented for discussion.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission will have their next meeting on April 10th at 7:00pm.

Trustee Johanik-Guzzo

- The next Fire Public Safety Committee meeting will be June 13, 2024, 4:30pm at Village Hall.

Trustee Nero is absent. Mayor Gunter gave a report on his behalf.

- The next Public Works Committee meeting will be held June 27, 2024, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Gave information about the Tree Seedling Giveaway. You can sign up online to request and receive various tree seedling species in time for Arbor Day. Tree seedling pickup will be April 26, 2024 at the Westmont Library between 1 and 5 pm.
- Free Leaf Pickup will be the week of April 8 - 12. Residents can put out an unlimited number of bags of leaves for free pickup. This free program is for leaves only. Details are on the website.

- With construction season right around the corner, keep an eye on the Village's website for details. Affected residents will receive a direct notification.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Gunter requested to have two items removed from the consent agenda so they can be addressed separately:

1. Proclamation for National Library Week
2. Community event St. Baldrick fundraiser

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

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

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes

Board to consider approving the minutes of the March 21, 2024 Village Board.

Executive Session Minutes

Board to consider a motion to accept, approve and release the following Executive Session minutes with the exceptions as noted:

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Exception: Paragraph #</u>
November 3, 2022	
March 23, 2023	
September 21, 2023	Except para # 2, 3
November 30, 2023	Except para # 1, 2, 3, 4
February 8, 2024	

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

- **Finance Ordinance #25: \$ 1,174,803.88**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

24202253	Core & Main LP	\$ 125,395.00
24202254	Twin Supplies, Ltd.	39,894.00
24202289	Heartland Business Systems, LLC	50,057.02
TOTAL PURCHASE ORDERS		\$215,316.02

(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS & FINANCE ORDINANCE: \$ 1,390,119.90

(E) PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

Board to consider a proclamation to declare April 14 - 20 2024 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in Westmont, Illinois.

(F) RESOLUTION - NO MOW TILL MOTHER'S DAY

Board to consider a resolution to support the No Mow till Mother's Day program.

(G) 2024 U.S. LUGE TRYOUTS

Board to consider an ordinance approving the following request from the U.S. Olympic Luge Team for their 2024 slider search tryouts to be held May 18 - 19, 2024:

1. Community Events Permit
2. Street and Public Right of Way Closures
3. Live Amplified Sound Permit

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Motion made by **Trustee Barker** to consider a proclamation to declare April 7 - 14, 2024 as National Library Week in Westmont, Illinois.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(3) ST. BALDRICK FUNDRAISER - FREMONT BAR & GRILL

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn and Marwan Zayed addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the St. Baldrick's Event hosted by Fremont Grill to be held on April 14, 2024:

1. Fee waiver for a 1-day Class 11 Liquor License
2. Live Amplified Sound Permit.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(4) EIC APPOINTMENTS

Trustee Barker addressed the Board on this item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a motion approving Mayor Gunter's reappointment of current members of the Environmental Improvement Committee.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(5) REDUCE AND INCREASE NUMBER OF LIQUOR LICENSES

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn addressed the Board on this item.

Motion made by **Trustee Barker** to consider an ordinance to reduce and then increase the number of available liquor licenses due to a liquor license class change requested by Sushi House LTD, 830 E. Ogden Avenue, Westmont as follows:

1. Reduce the number of available Class 4 liquor licenses by one.
2. Increase the number of available Class 3 liquor licenses by one.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(6) B-1 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT - 13 WEST QUINCY STREET - LA MICHOCANA SWEET VIBES

Community Development Director Hennerfeind addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a B-1 Development Permit for La Michoacana Sweet Vibes, LLC, to operate an ice cream shop at 13 West Quincy Street.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(7) B-1 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT - BEAUTY AURA AT 104 SOUTH CASS AVENUE

Community Development Director Hennerfeind addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a B-1 Development Permit for Olga Rodyushkina d/b/a Beauty Aura, to operate a beauty salon at 104 South Cass Avenue.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(8) B-1 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND DOWNTOWN INCENTIVE PROGRAM GRANT - 42 NORTH CASS AVENUE - IZAKAYA TOKYO

Community Development Director Hennerfeind and Hugo Liang addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Brady** to consider an ordinance approving requests from Izakaya Tokyo LLC regarding the property located at 42 North Cass Avenue, for the following:

1. B-1 Development Permit for a new Japanese restaurant.
2. Downtown Incentive Program (DIP) grant for the installation of new windows.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(9) DOWNTOWN INCENTIVE PROGRAM GRANT - 113 NORTH CASS AVENUE

Community Development Director Hennerfeind and Matthew Greenfield addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance awarding a Downtown Incentive Program (DIP) grant to Castle and Field LLC, for the installation of a fire sprinkler system at 113 North Cass Avenue.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #9

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(10) SURPLUS REAL ESTATE - 423 N. GRANT STREET

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a resolution declaring the two vacant lots at 423 N. Grant Street as surplus property and authorizing the sale of said lots.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #10

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(11) SPECIAL COUNSEL APPOINTMENT

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion made by **Trustee Barker** to consider an ordinance confirming the Mayor's appointment of outside special counsel to the Village for pending zoning litigation.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #11

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

(12) ADJOURNMENT

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

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

VOTE ON MOTION #12

Ayes: Barker, Brady, Guzzo, Liddle

Nays: None

Absent: Nero, Simonovich

MEETING ADJOURNED AT **6:53 P.M.**

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 18th day of April, 2024