



Village of Westmont

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, October 17, 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 Guzzo P
Liddle P Nero P
Simonovich P Barry P

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>P</u> (I.T.)
Chief Gunther <u>A</u> (Police Dept.)	D.C. Thompson <u>A</u> (Police Department)	Altic <u>P</u> (Finance Director)
Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.)	D.C. Frank <u>P</u> (Fire Department)	Mielcarski <u>P</u> (Gov't Services)
Mulhearn <u>A</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)	Richards <u>A</u> (Deputy Clerk)	Ries <u>P</u> (Public Works Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Lampariello A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - A

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

OPEN FORUM:

- No 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VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**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>
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>N</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>
TRUSTEE LIDDLE	<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 SIMONOVICH	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Mayor calls Larry Forssberg to talk about the weekend activities that are being planned.
 - Our Wicked West Fest has a wide range of celebrations that go on for an entire month. This Saturday is our annual Trick-or-Treating Trail. The costume contest is from 10am to 11 am. The Environmental Improvement group will be out there with some games. Trick-or-treating will be from 11 am until 1 pm. Caskets on Cass will start at 12:30 pm and run until 1 pm. There are five participating teams this year.
 - The Westmont Park District has their annual Haunted Forest from 3 pm until 6 pm they have the Merry Monsters, which is a family friendly version of the haunted house. Then they have Sheer Terrors which is the more adult version from 7 pm until 9 pm.
 - This year the trick-or-treat trail goes from Chicago/ Naperville on the north end, Dallas on the South. We have 60 businesses participating handing out candy. Holy Trinity will be doing their trunk or treat at the exact same time from 11 am to 1 pm. They have about 40 vehicles that will be handing out treats.
 - Shout out to the scarecrows around town. Voting started and we have over 4,000 votes so far. Pick one and vote!
- Businesses and residents are asked to go to our website and sign up to be part of the community recycling contest. More information is on our website.

Clerk Szymiski

- October 20th is the last day to register or transfer registration on the paperless online voter application.
- October 6th until November 5th grace period registrations are offered at the County office. For other designated locations please visit the Dupage County website for details.
- Early voting will be available at the Westmont Public Library from October 21st until November 4th. Other locations are listed on the DuPage County website.

Trustee Simonovich

- The Police Public Safety Committee gave out some department awards for excellent work by our officers and detectives.
 - Detectives Durst, Newton, and Pacheco received a felony arrest commendation. Officer Arn received a chief's commendation and CSO Terry received an award for her 10 years of participation with kids safety camp.
 - We swore in five new officers so congratulations to them.
- We received an update for Sergeant Borgart regarding e-bikes and e-scooters and the challenges that they present to public safety as well as the rules of the road for those new motor vehicles.
- We discussed overnight parking for commercial vehicles.
- We received a staffing update and currently have 37 officers. A new officer will be starting on Monday. We are still down four, so we are looking to fill those spots and hopefully send more to the academy starting in January.
- The Police Department has raised \$57,000 this year for the Illinois Special Olympics. Congratulations to them.
- The drug takeback day is scheduled for October 26th from 10am until 2pm with two locations. One is at the Police Department and one is at Mariano's on 63rd Street. More details on the Village website.
- Lastly, for everyone's safety, we recommend that trick-or-treating hours are from 2 pm until 7 pm.

Trustee Barry

- Westmont Rotary Club is doing the major fundraiser for their scholarship right now. They have a reverse raffle that's held on November 8th at the Knights of Columbus. If you are interested in getting a ticket, see a local rotarian.

Trustee Guzzo

- Our next Fire Public Safety Committee meeting will be in 2025 so stay tuned for a date as it gets closer.
- We are working on seasonal safety tips which will be published on the website shortly after Halloween.

Trustee Barker

- The Environmental Improvement Committee will meet November 4th at 5:30 pm here in Village Hall.
- We have a great pumpkin game toss at the Wicked Westfest. The EIC volunteers will be at the trick-or-treat trail on October 19th providing games for kids and informational handouts for the adults. They include details regarding the pumpkin compost collection event scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9am - 12 pm. at the Westmont Public Library
- The holiday light recycling begins November 1st. Residents can drop off their unwanted or broken lights.
- The electronics and more recycling event is November 23rd from 8am until 12 pm in front of Village Hall. Details are posted on the website

Trustee Liddle

- Our next Administration and Finance Committee meeting will be held on December 19th at 4:30 pm here in Village Hall.

- Westmont Special Events will once again host the Halloween decorating contest. Citizens are encouraged to sign up and be included in the voting which will take place online. Details will be on the website soon.
- The Village will be using a new credit card processor in November. Details will be on the website soon.
- The Village is currently looking for a senior maintenance worker to join our Public Works team. More details about the position and how to apply can be found in the employment opportunity section of the Village's website.

Trustee Nero

- Our next Public Works Committee meeting is December 5th, 4:30 pm at Village Hall.
- There are still some ongoing Cass Avenue improvements happening geared to improve our pedestrian walkways.
- Our Community Development Committee meeting on 10/31/2024 is canceled. We are considering a special meeting on November 14th so more information on that to come.
- The Planning & Zoning Committee heard a special use variant on Oakmont Lane that will be considered tonight and discuss multiple zoning topics related to the zoning ordinance update that we are going through.
- We have a free leaf collection November 4th through the 30th. Residents can put leaves and kraft paper bags during this time and a sticker is not needed.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

- No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Manage 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 Village Board Meeting held on **October 3, 2024**.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

- **Finance Ordinance #13: \$ 2,417,484.00**

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

PO 25201243	West Central Municipal Conference	\$60,467.00
PO 25201259	Currie Motors	152,223.00
PO 25201260	Westmont Chamber of Commerce & Tourism	40,872.77
TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS		\$253,562.00

(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS & FINANCE ORDINANCE: \$ 2,671,046.00

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

(2) INCREASE IN AVAILABLE CLASS 23 LIQUOR LICENSE

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mullhearn and George Dravilas addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance increasing the available number of Class 23 Video Gaming Liquor Licenses by one (1) for Greek Food, Inc. d/b/a Taste Greek Street Food at 645 N. Cass Avenue Westmont, IL.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Liddle, Nero, Simonovich, Guzzo

Nays: Barry

Absent: None

(3) SPECIAL USE PERMIT AND VARIANCE - 600 OAKMONT LANE, SUITE LL

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

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests by C Kingston Partners, Inc. and 1133 Cleveland Properties, LLC, regarding the property at 600 Oakmont Lane, Suite LL to operate an Event Design Office:

1. Special Use Permit request to allow the accessory uses of assembling, warehousing, or distribution of materials, goods, or products in conjunction with their principal business office use in the O/R OfficeResearch District
2. Zoning Ordinance Variance request to increase the total floor area dedicated to the above accessory uses.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(4) COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Police Chief Gunther addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance amending provisions of Chapter 78 and 54 of the Westmont Code of Ordinances to prohibit parking of commercial vehicles adjacent to residential districts or public parks.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS

- Mayor Gunter requested executive session

(5) REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:34pm

Mayor Gunter requested a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to review executive session minutes pursuant to Section 2(C)(21) of the Open Meetings Act

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to adjourn to executive session..

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(6) ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

Board to consider a motion to adjourn at 7:08 pm.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle**.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

(7) ADJOURNMENT - 7:08 pm

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

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:08 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 14th day of November, 2024