



Village of Westmont

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, October 16, 2025.**

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

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Nero P Clerk A. Szymiski P

TRUSTEES: Barker P Parrilli P
Guzzo P Plowman P
Liddle P Scales P

STAFF:

Gunther <u>A</u> (Village Manager)	Parker <u>P</u> (Assistant Manager)	Brainerd <u>P</u> (H.R. Director)
Hennerfeind <u>P</u> (CDD Director)	Babyar <u>A</u> (Communications)	Liljeberg <u>A</u> (I.T.)
Chief Gruen <u>A</u> (Police Department)	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>A</u> (Fire Department)	Mielcarski <u>P</u> (Gov't Services)
Richards <u>A</u> (Deputy Village Clerk)	Mulhearn <u>A</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner)	Ries <u>P</u> (Public Works Director)

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Lampariello A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Bugle A

GUESTS:

Kailli Harding P

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Pro-Tem Barker welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPEN FORUM:

- No Open Forum Requests

VOTING KEY:**A=ABSENT**
P=PRESENT**AB=ABSTAIN**
Y=YES**N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**
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>
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>
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>
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>
TRUSTEE PARRILLI	<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 PLOWMAN	<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 SCALES	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>Y</u>

REPORTS**Mayor Nero**

- Announced that the FMC is hosting an international event. It is happening this weekend and the Mayor encouraged the community to check it out. This is one of three swimming world cup events in North America. Tickets can be purchased at fmcnatatorium.org. The concessions will be handled by Dolce's.
- The Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Winter Ball on December 12th at the Hilton. Tickets are available on the Chamber website, westmontchamber.com.
- The Village will publish information soon regarding our new strategic plan process. The first item on the agenda will be a community survey. More details are on the Village website.
- Encouraged everyone to come out to the Wicked West Fest event on Saturday. It will be kicked off at 10:45am with the pumpkin smash.

Village Clerk Szymski

- Village offices will be closed on November 11th for Veteran's Day.
- Village offices will also be closed November 27th and 28th for Thanksgiving.

Trustee Guzzo

- The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for 4:30pm on November 6th at Village Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Trustee Scales

- The Community Development Committee meets next on October 30th at 4:30pm in Village Hall.
- The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is scheduled for November 12th at 6pm in Village Hall.
- There is a comprehensive plan update where staff will begin discussion on the plan document update. This will be discussed on October 30th. Staff is looking for feedback before a consultant is hired.

Trustee Parilli

- The next Public Works Committee is December 4th at Village Hall. The meeting starts at 4:30pm.
- Residents are asked to help with keeping leaves away from storm drains because that could create flooding problems.
- Free leaf pick up will be November 3 - 29th. Residents can put out unlimited kraft paper bags free of charge on their regular garbage pick up day. Stickers are not required during this time frame.
- Residents are encouraged to check out the construction updates posted on the Village website.
- The construction on the front entrance to Village Hall is going well. This project should be completed soon.

Trustee Plowman

- The Police Public Safety Committee meeting will be held on November 20th and will take place at the Village Hall.
- Recapped the paper shred event. 5,319 lbs of paper was collected and over \$3,100 was raised for Special Olympics.
- Drug Takeback Day will take place on October 25th from 10:00am - 2:00pm at two locations. One location will be the Westmont Police Department at 500 N. Cass and the other location will be Mariano's at 150 W 63rd Street.
- The Lions Club is hosting a pancake breakfast the morning of Wicked West Fest on October 18 from 8am - 11am. This will be held at the Knights of Columbus. There will be games for kids and the cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for kids and seniors.

Trustee Liddle

- The next Administration / Finance Committee meeting will be 4:30pm, December 18th, at Village Hall.
- The Wicked West Fest is this Saturday, October 18, 2025. There will be a trick-or-treat trail, casket races, costume contests, pumpkin smashing, and a whole lot more.

Trustee Barker

- The Environmental Improvement Committee will meet on November 3rd, 5:30pm at the Westmont Public Library.
- Bins will be placed at the Westmont Library and the Fire Department Headquarters for holiday lights recycling.
- Pumpkin composting will be November 8th at the Westmont Public Library. Pumpkins must be free of decorations.
- We have an electronics and more recycling event on November 22nd from 8am - 12pm in front of Village Hall. Some items may have a fee.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

- No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Assistant Village Manager Parker addressed the Board on this agenda item.

(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes

- Board to consider approving the Village Board Meeting held on **September 18, 2025**.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE

Finance Ordinance # 20 and 21

\$ 5,583,197.52

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:

Safe Step LLC	\$ 25,000.00
West Central Municipal Conference	\$ 25,092.00
Compass Minerals America	\$ 27,128.00
Total of Purchase Orders	\$ 77,220.00

(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) AND FINANCE ORDINANCE(S): **\$ 5,660,417.52**

(E) AUGUST 2025 MONTHLY BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT

(F) DECREASE CLASS 5 LIQUOR LICENSE

Board to consider an ordinance decreasing the number of available Class 5 local liquor licenses by one.

(G) PROCLAMATIONS

i. Arts DuPage

Board to consider a proclamation declaring the month of October Arts DuPage Month.

ii. Support your Local Chamber Day

Board to consider a proclamation declaring October 15th as Support Your Local Chamber of Commerce Day in Westmont.

iii. National Cybersecurity Day in Westmont

Board to consider a proclamation declaring October Cybersecurity Awareness Month in Westmont.

iv. National Community Planning Month

Board to consider a proclamation declaring October as Community Planning Month.

v. Fire Prevention Week

Board to consider a proclamation declaring October 5 - 11th as Fire Prevention Week in Westmont.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle**.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Assistant Village Manager Parker read the Proclamations for Arts DuPage and Support Your Local Chamber of Commerce Day.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

(2) APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION MEMBER

Government Services Director Mielcarski addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider a motion approving Mayor Nero's appointment of Brian Sible to the Fire and Police Commission.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(3) RFQ SELECTION AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT - CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT-RISK FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

Public Works Director Ries and Attorney Zemenak addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving the following items related to the construction of a new Fire Department Headquarters:

- a. Approving the selection of Leopardo Construction, Inc. to serve as the construction manager at-risk for the Fire Department Headquarters project pursuant to the Village's RFQ 25-01
- b. Approving a construction contract for construction manager at-risk services with Leopardo Construction for the Fire Department Headquarters project.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(4) REMODELING WORK - VILLAGE HALL BREAKROOM

Assistant Village Manager Parker addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barker** to consider an ordinance approving a Proposal and Addendum with Albrite Building, Inc. for remodeling work to the breakroom at Village Hall.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(5) WASHINGTON & TRUABE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS - CHANGE ORDER #1

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

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving Change Order #1 for the Washington and Traube Infrastructure Improvements project for an amount not to exceed \$200,000.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(6) TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE TEXT AMENDMENT

Assistant Village Manager Parker addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider an ordinance amending Chapter 10 "Alcoholic Beverages", Article 1, Section 10-2 "Local Liquor Commissioner" of the Westmont Municipal Code regarding the procedures for waiving certain temporary liquor license fees.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

(7) COMMITTING CONVENTION & TOURISM FUNDS

Finance Director Allen Altic addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance committing a portion of the Convention and Tourism Fund Balance for Infrastructure Purposes.

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

VOTE ON MOTION #7

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

MISCELLANEOUS

- Assistant Village Manager Parker talked about the meeting schedule changes.
 - The following dates were discussed: October 30th, November 6th, November 13th (Budget Workshop), November 20th, December 4th, December 18th, January 8th.
 - There are potential changes to this schedule and meetings may be consolidated.
 - Government Services Director, Patti Mielcarski, stated that we must have a meeting on November 13th because that is for the budget workshop.
 - Finance Director Altic stated that the budget should be approved at the November 20th meeting.
 - Trustee Barker asked that the Finance Department provide information about the budget ahead of time.
- Trustee Plowman recapped the October 5th, Beers, Burgers, & Babyshower project which was a volunteer project in partnership with many organizations including Lions, Rotary, etc. This took place at D.J.'s Sports Bar & Grill. They are hoping to have this be an annual event.
- Trustee Plowman gave an update on the Citizens Police Academy, which is a good experience. Encouraged the community to sign up.
- Attorney Zemenak announced that we will have an executive session on October 30th as we are required to review the executive session minutes every 6 months by state statute.

(8) ADJOURNMENT

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

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

VOTE ON MOTION #8

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Parrilli, Plowman, Scales

Nays: None

Absent: None

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:50 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Amanda Szymiski, Village Clerk

Steven T. Nero, Mayor

Dated this 16th day of October, 2025