



# Village of Westmont

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### Clerk's Office Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, December 11, 2025.**

**Mayor Nero** called the meeting to order at **6:04 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:

|                                                     |                                                     |                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Gunther</b> <u>P</u><br>(Village Manager)        | <b>Parker</b> <u>P</u><br>(Assistant Manager)       | <b>Brainerd</b> <u>P</u><br>(H.R. Director)     |
| <b>Hennerfeind</b> <u>P</u><br>(CDD Director)       | <b>Babyar</b> <u>A</u><br>(Communications)          | <b>Liljeberg</b> <u>P</u><br>(I.T.)             |
| <b>Chief Gruen</b> <u>P</u><br>(Police Department)  | <b>D.C Thompson</b> <u>A</u><br>(Police Department) | <b>Altic</b> <u>P</u><br>(Finance Director)     |
| <b>Chief Riley</b> <u>A</u><br>(Fire Dept.)         | <b>D.C. Frank</b> <u>P</u><br>(Fire Department)     | <b>Mielcarski</b> <u>A</u><br>(Gov't Services)  |
| <b>Richards</b> <u>P</u><br>(Deputy Village Clerk ) | <b>McIntyre</b> <u>P</u><br>(Communications)        | <b>Ries</b> <u>P</u><br>(Public Works Director) |

**ATTORNEY:** Zemenak P Lampariello A

#### A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

#### **PRESS:**

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#### **THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Mayor Nero welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **OPEN FORUM:**

- Carla Plowman: Addressed the Village Board on behalf of the Lions Club. She talked about the Gala at the Oak Brook Hills Hilton. The cost is \$50/ person to attend. Tickets must be ordered by January 10th and the event is January 24th at 6pm.

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**R=RECUSE****W=Withdrawn**

**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**

|                  | <b><u>1</u></b>  | <b><u>2</u></b>  | <b><u>3</u></b>  | <b><u>4</u></b>  | <b><u>5</u></b>  | <b><u>6</u></b>  | <b><u>7</u></b>  | <b><u>8</u></b>  | <b><u>9</u></b>  |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| TRUSTEE BARKER   | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <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>N</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>N</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>N</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>N</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>N</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         |
|                  | <b><u>10</u></b> | <b><u>11</u></b> | <b><u>12</u></b> | <b><u>13</u></b> | <b><u>14</u></b> | <b><u>15</u></b> | <b><u>16</u></b> | <b><u>17</u></b> | <b><u>18</u></b> |
| 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 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 PARRILLI | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         | <u>N</u>         | <u>N</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>         | <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>         | <u>Y</u>         |
|                  | <b><u>19</u></b> |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE BARKER   | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE GUZZO    | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE LIDDLE   | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE PARRILLI | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE PLOWMAN  | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| TRUSTEE SCALES   | <u>Y</u>         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |

**REPORTS****Mayor Nero**

- Gave an update on the Holly Days parade. The weather cooperated and it was a lot of fun. Thanked everyone who helped to make this happen and for all of the people involved. It was a fun family event.
- Gave an update on the Village Social Media contest. The Fire Chief had many "likes" regarding his post.
- Thanked Fire Department Deputy Chief Frank and Police Department Chief Gruen for joining him at Maercker school this week. Together they spoke to all of the 3rd graders and it was a lot of fun.

### **Village Clerk Szymski**

- Village offices will be closed December 24, 25, and 26th, as well as January 1 & 19.
  - Please check the website to confirm if garbage pickup will be affected on specific dates.
- We have severe cold and icy conditions coming over the next few days. Residents are reminded to be patient with their garbage and recycling when it's picked up in case there are delays. If there is ever a question about your pickup status, you can contact Flood at 630-261-0400.

### **Trustee Guzzo**

- The next Fire Public Safety Committee meeting will be 4:30pm, March 5, 2026. The meeting will take place at Village Hall and all are invited to attend.
- Keep the Wreath Red is an annual program aimed at promoting fire safety during the holidays. Outside our fire stations are wreaths with red lights. The wreaths remain lit 24/7 during the holiday season, which runs from December 1 through January 2. A white bulb will replace a red bulb if a fire occurs due to holiday decorations. The wreath serves as a reminder to practice safety while displaying your holiday decorations.
- Reminded residents to keep hydrants free of snow. It is recommended that there should be a three foot clearance is maintained.
- Thanked the Public Works Department for their hard work with snow removal during weather events.
- Wished everyone a safe and healthy holiday season.

### **Trustee Scales**

- The Planning and Zoning Committee meeting will take place January 14, 2026 at 6pm. The meeting will take place in Village Hall.
- The Community Development Committee meeting will be January 22, 2026. will be announced for 2026.

### **Trustee Parilli**

- The next Public Works Committee Meeting will be March 19, 2026.
- Recapped the Public Works Committee meeting that occurred earlier today.
  - Thanked Public Works for their work with snow removal. We got about 9.5 inches of snowfall from November 29th - 30th.
  - A Pavement Management program was discussed.
  - Lead pipe regulations were discussed. In 2027 all lead pipes must be replaced.
  - The new Fire Department building was discussed. The new Fire station is expected to be completed in the fall of 2027.
- If there are any questions regarding snow removal, please go to the Village website.

### **Trustee Plowman**

- Echoed compliments on the snow removal.
- Thanked Trustee Guzzo for covering the committee meeting.
- Graduated from the Citizens Police Academy and thanked the former and current Chief for a great program. It is a great service.
- Announced the Mr. Wayne's Collectibles is now in a new location in the downtown area. There is also Parks Vintage and a new soap shop. Encouraged residents to shop local.

- Westmont Police and Fire encouraged residents to call 911 if there is an emergency.

#### **Trustee Liddle**

- The Administration / Finance Committee meeting will be Thursday, January 8, 2026.
- The Park District is hosting a beer fest at Ty Warner Park on Valentine's Day.
- The Westmont Library will host several programs that support people with dementia and their caregivers. For more information please visit the Library website.
- There is a new pet event, Petpalooza. The event will be scheduled in May. Details will be on the WSEC website.

#### **Trustee Barker**

- The Environmental Improvement Committee will meet on January 5th, 5:30pm at the Westmont Public Library.
- We are collecting holiday lights. The bins are in place at the library and at the south fire headquarters. Residents can drop off their unwanted or broken holiday lights there to be recycled.
- Flood Brothers will pick up Christmas trees from December 29th - January 30th. They must be free from decorations, tinsel, and lights.
- Salt use in Westmont being looked into. Please use salt responsibly. It can contaminate waterways
- Westmont Stormwater Ordinance is being reviewed to be more in line with the County of DuPage.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **A) PROPERTY TAX LEVY HEARING - VILLAGE OF WESTMONT**

##### **a) Public Hearing Opened at 6:20pm**

- Finance Director Altic addressed the Village Board and gave information on the proposed tax levy. That total is \$11,299,022. This is an increase of 4.89% and the Village is likely to get CPI which is an inflationary index of 2.9%. Revenues will be captured through new construction. A typical residence will see a \$30 increase to their property tax bill for the Village's share.

#### **B) PROPERTY TAX LEVY HEARING - VILLAGE OF WESTMONT SPECIAL SERVICE AREA 2**

##### **a) Public Hearing Opened at 6:23pm**

- Finance Director Altic stated that this is for the Liberty Park area so that the Fire Department could provide service to that area. This levy has a proposed increase of 4.99%. This information was published in the newspaper, for transparency.

##### **b) Public Hearing Closed at 6:24pm.**

### **ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:**

- No items to be removed from the consent agenda.

### **(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:**

**Village Manager Gunther** addressed the Board on this agenda item.

## **(A) VILLAGE BOARD MINUTES**

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

- Board to consider approving the Village Board Meeting held on **November 20, 2025**.

## **(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE**

Finance Ordinance # 24 **\$ 2,762,581.86**

Finance Ordinance # 25 **\$ 1,621,010.95**

## **(C) PURCHASE ORDERS:**

|                                             |                      |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Thomas Dodge Chrysler Jeep of Highland, Inc | \$90,367.00          |
| Currie Motors                               | 130,742.00           |
| Nextiva                                     | 35,000.00            |
| ZAF ACP Holdings                            | 39,000.00            |
| <b>Total of Purchase Orders</b>             | <b>\$ 295,109.00</b> |

**(D) TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) AND FINANCE ORDINANCE(S):** **\$ 4,588,334.81**

## **(E) OCTOBER 2025 MONTHLY BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT**

Motion by **Trustee Liddle**

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #1**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **(2) CP2 CONSULTING STRATEGIC PLAN STAKEHOLDER'S REPORT**

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider a motion to postpone the strategic plan stakeholder's report to January 8, 2025.

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

### **VOTE ON MOTION #2**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(3) LOT COVERAGE VARIANCE REQUEST — 225 SOUTH WILLIAMS STREET**

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a request from Matthew and Karen Robare, for the property at 225 South Williams Street, Westmont for a Zoning Ordinance Variance to the maximum lot coverage in the R-3 Single-Unit Residential District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #3**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(4) SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST — TOBACCO AND VAPE RETAIL STORE — 101 WEST OGDEN AVENUE, SUITE B**

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

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a request from JA RE ENTERPRISES, LLC d/b/a LIT SMOKES and WL Property Acquisitions, LLC, for the property at 101 West Ogden Avenue, Suite B, Westmont, Illinois for a Zoning Ordinance Special Use permit for a tobacco and vape retail store in the B-2 General Business District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #4**

Ayes: None

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

Absent: None

**(5) COMMUNITY EVENT REQUEST - 2026 LIONS CLUB SPRING FLING EVENT**

**Deputy Village Clerk Richards and Dan B. from Lions Club** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving the following requests for the 2026 Spring Fling Celebration hosted by the Westmont Lions Club Foundation, Thursday, May 21–Sunday, May 24, 2026:

1. Community Event Permit
2. Live Amplified Sound Permit
3. Tent Permit Fee Waiver
4. Temporary Banner Approval
5. Street Closure Request — West Quincy Street from Cass Ave to Adams Street

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #5**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(6) PUBLIC/INSTITUTIONAL (P/I) REZONING AND SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST — VILLAGE HALL — 31 WEST QUINCY STREET**

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

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider two requests from the Village of Westmont for the property at 31 West Quincy Street (Village Hall) for the following:

- A. Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the property from the B-1 Central Business District to the P/I Public and Institutional District; and
- B. A Zoning Ordinance Special Use Permit to operate a Governmental Use in the P/I District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #6**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(7) PUBLIC/INSTITUTIONAL (P/I) REZONING REQUEST — NORTH WATER TOWER — 925 OAKWOOD DRIVE**

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

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider a request from the Village of Westmont for the property at 925 Oakwood Drive for a Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment to rezone the property from the R-3 Single-Unit Residential District to the P/I Public and Institutional District.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #7**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(8) VARIOUS ZONING ENTITLEMENTS — PUBLIC WORKS YARD — 328 SOUTH WILMETTE AVENUE**

**Community Development Director Hennerfeind and Public Works Director Ries** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman** to consider requests from the Village of Westmont for the property at 328 South Wilmette Avenue for the following:

1. Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment to rezone the property from the R-3 Single-Unit Residential District to the P/I Public and Institutional District.
2. Zoning Ordinance Special Use Permit to operate a Governmental Use in the P/I Public and Institutional District.
3. Preliminary Plan of Subdivision to consolidate five (5) lots into one (1) lot.
4. Zoning Ordinance Variance to the minimum front yard setback.
5. Major Site Plan Approval

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #8**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(9) MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT - CLEARPATHGPS**

**IT Director Liljeberg** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving a Master Service Agreement between ClearPathGPS and the Village of Westmont.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #9**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(10) NEXTIVA SERVICE AGREEMENT**

**IT Director Liljeberg** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a 3-year agreement with Nextiva for a village-wide phone system.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #10**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(11) WESTMONT CENTRE LEASE AGREEMENT**

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

Motion by **Trustee Scales** to consider an ordinance approving a Westmont Centre lease with the Westmont Special Events Corporation.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #11**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **(12) BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT WITH DOWNERS GROVE**

**Village Attorney Zemenak** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving a Boundary Line Agreement between the Village of Westmont and the Village of Downers Grove.

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

#### **VOTE ON MOTION #12**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **(13) FIRE DEPT. LIFT - ASSIST SERVICE FEES**

**Deputy Fire Chief Thomas Frank** addressed the Village Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance approving amendments to Chapter 42, Article IV, Division 2, Section 42-189 to impose lift-assist service fees.

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

#### **VOTE ON MOTION #13**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **(14) ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES**

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

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance abating taxes heretofore levied for the 2025 property tax cycle to pay debt service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017; its General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019A; its General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019B; its General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2022A; and its General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2022B of the Village of Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois.

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

#### **VOTE ON MOTION #14**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

#### **(15) PROPERTY TAX LEVY - VILLAGE OF WESTMONT**

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

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance adopting the 2025 property tax levy for the Village of Westmont.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #15**

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Plowman, Scales

Nays: Parrilli

Absent: None

**(16) PROPERTY TAX LEVY - SPECIAL SERVICE AREA 2**

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

Motion by **Trustee Guzzo** to consider an ordinance adopting the 2025 property tax levy for the Village of Westmont's Special Service Area 2.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #16**

Ayes: Barker, Guzzo, Liddle, Plowman, Scales

Nays: Parrilli

Absent: None

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Mayor wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

**(17) REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Nero requested a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to set the price of property owned by the village pursuant to section 2(C)(6) of the Open Meetings Act.

Motion by **Trustee Barker** to adjourn to executive session

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #17**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(18) ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

Board to consider a motion to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Motion by **Trustee Plowman**.

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #18**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**(19) ADJOURNMENT - 8:25 pm**

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

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

**VOTE ON MOTION #19**

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:25 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Amanda Szymiski, Village Clerk

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Steven T. Nero, Mayor

Dated this 8th day of January, 2026