

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
10 December 2013**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Gattuso, Calcagno, Yurkovich, Reda, Steker, Perry, and President Pulia. Also present were Village Clerk Miller, Village Manager Matthys, and Attorney Durkin.

PRESENTATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

President Pulia noted that the Christmas tree lighting program went well.

Steven Battersby – The alley behind his house was vacated to the homeowners in 1977. The Park District wants to obtain the alley. Mr. Battersby would hope that the Village would back the homeowners in that situation. Mr. Battersby suggests that the Village refurbish the Vector truck instead of purchasing new. Mr. Battersby thanked Trustee Gattuso for the free concerts in the park this past summer. President Pulia

Troy Okoniewski – The Park District does consider residents opinions. Mr. Okoniewski asked where the information regarding the vacated alley would be located. Attorney Durkin said the county recorder would have a copy of the recorded plat of vacation. Attorney Durkin suggested a search be done of the village records for any other information pertaining to this vacated alley.

Michael Munn – Mr. Munn provided the vacated alley document number 24139699, Village of Westchester Ordinance Number is 77-890. Mr. Munn would like to talk to someone in planning about demolishing a garage on his property. It is being held up because building plans for new construction have not been submitted yet. President Pulia suggested making an appointment with Melissa Headley for the next day.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Reda made a motion seconded by Trustee Steker to approve Consent Agenda items; 7.A.-7.K. 7.A. (Approval of the Record of Bills ending 12-6-2013 in the amount not to exceed \$1,357,669.47), 7B. (Approval of the Department Report: public Works, Fire Department, Police Department, Community Development), 7.C. (Approval of Minutes of the October 22, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Minutes of the November 12, 2013 Village Board Meeting, and Minutes of the November 12, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting), 7.D. (Ordinance Providing for the Levy, Assessment, and Collection of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2013 and Ending April 30, 2013 for the Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois), 7.E. (Ordinance Abating the 2013 Tax Levy for the \$3,500,000 Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois Taxable General Obligation Bonds [Motor Fuel Tax Alternate Revenue Source] Series 2010A), 7.F. (Ordinance Abating the 2013 Tax Levy for the \$1,610,000 Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois Taxable General Obligation Bonds [Water and Sewer Alternate Revenue Source] Series 2010B Bonds), 7.G. (Ordinance Abating the 2013 Tax Levy for the \$5,800,000 Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois Taxable General Obligation Bonds [Non-Home Rule Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source] Series 2013 Bonds), 7.H. (Ordinance amending Section 5.04.080, Entitled "Fees. Of Chapter 5.04 Entitled "General Licensing and Regulation of Businesses" of Title 5, Entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations" of the Village of Westchester Municipal Code), 7.I. (Ordinance of the Village of Westchester Waiving Competitive Bidding and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Alliance Turf Management), 7.J. (Resolution Directing the County Clerk to Calculate Separate Limiting Rates for the Tax Levy of the Village of Westchester for the 2013 Tax Year), 7.K. (Resolution Approving the Annual Meeting Schedule of the Village Board of Trustees). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 7.A through 7.K. passed (AYE 7).

ACTIVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Trustee Gattuso and seconded by Trustee Perry to approve item 8.A. (Ordinance Amending the Annual Budget for the 2014 Fiscal Year in the Village of Westchester). On the roll call vote, the motion passed (AYE 7). A motion was made by Trustee Reda and seconded by Trustee Steker to approve item 8.B. (Resolution of the Governing Body of the Village of Westchester Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Master Equipment Lease-Purchase Agreement with PNC Equipment Finance, LLC, as Lessor, and Separate Lease Schedules thereto for the Acquisition, Purchase, Refinancing, and Leasing of Certain Software within the Terms Herein Provided; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Other Documents Required in Connection Therewith; and Authorizing all other Actions Necessary to the Consummation of the Transactions Contemplated by this Resolution). On the roll call vote, the motion passed (AYE 7). A motion was made by President Pulia and seconded by Trustee Steker to approve item 8.C. (Resolution Amending Resolution 12-299, "A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Office of the Comptroller Regarding Access to Comptroller's Local Debt Recovery Program"). On the roll call vote, the motion passed (AYE 7). A motion was made by Trustee Yurkovich and seconded by Trustee Reda to approve item 8.D. (Motion Authorizing the Appointment of the Law Firm of Storino, Ramello & Durkin to Serve as Adjudicators on Behalf of the Village of Westchester). On the roll call vote, the motion passed (AYE 7). A motion was made by Trustee Reda and seconded by Trustee Gattuso to approve item 8.E. (Ordinance Amending the Westchester Municipal Code Regarding Parking Fines). On the roll call vote, the motion passed (AYE 7).

MANGER'S REPORT:

Manager Matthys would like to let everyone know that the warming center is open, contact the Police Department for further information. The Village is the recipient of the "Keep Illinois Beautiful" Grant for the third year in a row. The Village received a thank you letter from Mariam Okana who was a recipient of a Thanksgiving basket. An anonymous resident called and wanted to complement the outstanding service that was received from Wally in the Public Works Department. This meeting is the final meeting of the calendar year. The Village will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Durkin will need to file certified copies of the ordinances and resolutions passed this evening with the county clerk. (items 7.D.-7.G. and item 7.J.).

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Gattuso – None.

Trustee Calcagno – The meeting for the Sustainability Commission was cancelled.

Trustee Yurkovich/CAB –The Food Drive and Toys for Tots collections were very successful this year.

Trustee Perry – None

Trustee Steker/ETSB – The meeting will be soon for the ETSB. Police and Fire Commission are finishing changing their by-laws and the two new firefighters should be onboard by the end of this month or the beginning of January.

Trustee Reda/Senior Citizen Liaison – The image restoration committee will meet before the next Village meeting.

Chief Carpino – Safe Speed was here last week training all their reviewers on the police department. Safe Speed made it their business to update the crosswalks. CIS is here this week to train all of the police department staff on the software for Nor Comm. As of last week, several members of the Police Department attended a lockdown safety drill at the Middle School. Another lockdown will occur at the intermediate school tomorrow. There was a five car crash on 31st and Wolf Rd. A motorist blacked out and started a chain reaction with (4) other cars. There were no major injuries.

Maureen P. / Finance – There will be meetings soon with all department heads to prepare their budgets. Recently there has been a meeting with Manager Matthys regarding the tax levy.

Dave Stoiser – Public Works has been active in putting up holiday decorations, pot hole patching, and has wrapped up leaf collection. Public Works also has started a sign replacement program and began painting at the Police Department today. Mr. Stosier has been working on the street program for 2014 hoping to bid that out this month.

President Pulia – President Pulia would like to thank the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District and Public Works for their work on the Addison Creek Small Streams Program. They have done a great job.

Melissa Headley – Mrs. Headley has met with the architect from Mariano's and discussed the building addition and other updates to the facility. Mrs. Headley is working with Mr. Stosier on the Green Alley grant which will be submitted tomorrow. A new part-time employee, Sylvia, started yesterday. Mrs. Headley reported 131 permits were issued last month and 217 inspections were performed. Anna's place located across the street opened last week.

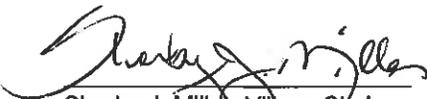
Clerk Miller - None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Cook County Hazard Mitigation meeting will be held Thursday in Westchester at 6:30pm. Carl Celestino was nominated as Citizen of the Year and was told at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon last week. Mariano's is coming to Westchester and we look forward to it. President Pulia received a letter from the Environmental Protection Agency that approved the cleaning of sanitary sewers in the Cook County Forest Preserve off of Sunnyside.

ADJOURN:

With no further business, Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Reda to adjourn the meeting and the Board agreed (AYE 7). The meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM.


Sherby J. Miller, Village Clerk