

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

26 August 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Calcagno, Gattuso, Perry, Steker, Yurkovich and President Pulia, absent was Trustee Reda. Also present were Village Clerk Miller, Village Manager Matthys, and Attorney Durkin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

1) Resident Bill Ostendorf requested an update regarding the retention pond at the Corporate Towers. Community Development Director Ms. Headley, will follow-up and provide the extended date by which the Corp Center was due to be compliant and have a restrictor back in place.

2) Residents John Waters, David Valle, Bernie Farmer, Steve Nelson, Francisco Jasso, Matthew Richert, and Cora Buenaseda all expressed concern regarding flooding and sewage backup that takes place in their backyards and basements which each rain event. The alleyway sits higher than their basements. Photo's were provided to the Board. Resident Farmer recommends the Mayors get together and file a Class Action Suit against MWRD regarding the continuous flooding of the township. President Pulia noted that updates regarding flood/mitigation efforts are being posted in the Village Newsletter. Public Works Director/Robert Lewis will visit the affected area on 8/27, to identify potential mitigation of the problem. Residents were also encouraged to enroll in the Service Line Warranties program covering sewer lines.

PRESENTATIONS:

Chief Carpino introduced the new Public Service Coordinator Frank Esposito. He will handle the administrative duties of the Police Department.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items were reviewed by Attorney Durkin for the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Calcagno made a motion seconded by Trustee Gattuso to approve Consent Agenda items; 7.A – 7.I. 7.A. (Approval of the Record of Bills ending 08-21-2014 in the amount not to exceed \$1,138,390.18), 7.B. (Approval of Minutes of the July 22, 2014 Executive Session, Minutes of the August 12, 2014 Village Board and Committee of the Whole Meeting), 7.C. (Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2014), 7.D. (Resolution Accepting the Bid of and Awarding a Contract to Genco Industries, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of a Generator at the Village Hall and the Fire Station in the amount of \$231,080), 7.E. (Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement between the Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System and the Village of Westchester), 7.F. (Resolution 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, and Leasing of Certain Equipment 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 in the Amount of \$95,076), 7.G. (Ordinance Waiving the Requirements of the Village of Westchester Purchasing Policies and Procedures Manual and Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of Wayfinding Signs within the Village of Westchester from Western Remac Inc. in the Amount of \$10,953), 7.H. (Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Façade Improvement Grant Program Agreement between the Village of Westchester and Michael Manzo in the Amount of \$6,250), 7.I. (A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Façade Improvement Grant Program Agreement between the Village of Westchester and Christos Taltsidis in the Amount of \$7,500). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 8.A passed, (AYE 6).

ACTIVE AGENDA

Trustee Yurkovich made a motion seconded by Trustee Calcagno to approve Active Agenda item A (Resolution Approving Change Order #1 to the Contract with Jetco, Ltd. For Services Related to the Village of Westchester Enterprise Drive 2MG High Tank Exterior Painting Project in the Amount of \$10,880). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 8.A passed, (AYE 6).

MANGER'S REPORT:

Residents will be receiving the fall campaign for the Sewer Line Program. Village hall will be closed for Labor Day. Police and Fire Departments are open 24/7.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

None.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perry/EDC – Meeting held 8/25. They continue to go over the Wayfinding signs, and beautification movement with the businesses.

Trustee Steker/ETSB – None

Trustee Gattuso – The last car show was held 8/25. They had a great year. The final band Claremont Drive will perform on Thursday, 8/28. All urged to come out.

Trustee Calcagno/Environmental Sustainability Commission – The second Saturday of each month is the Electronic Recycling event. The next scheduled committee meeting is September 11th.

Trustee Yurkovich/CAB - None

President Pulia acknowledged the note of gratitude expressed from a resident to the Fire Department for their assistance with his medical emergency. Also, residents expressed thanks for the music festival and fireworks.

Chief Carpino/PD – Three new patrol cars have been received via Homeland Security grant. \$33,980 received from IDOT for "Click-it/Ticket" program. Police Department approved for 30 bullet-proof vests....half of the cost, \$9,000, will be absorbed by the grant. The new Police Services Coordinator has come onboard. Over 100k has been received in grants during the past year. Video of ALS challenge was played.

Chief Adams – Emergency Response Procedures have been reviewed with a couple of the schools. Candidates for the Lieutenants exam have been notified. Open House, Oct. 5th, 10:00am – 1:00pm. A State funded drill is tentatively scheduled on Nov. 6th at St. Joe's. President Pulia suggests also involving ILEAS. More info to come....

Maureen Potempa/Financial Director – Staff continues to work on First quarter financials and finalize reports from auditors..

Greg Hribal – A "Back to School" event is being hosted by the Park District and is scheduled for Friday, September 5th at the Community Center. The Lego movie will be presented. October 18th will be the Fountain Fest.

Robert Lewis/PW – Provided an update on construction projects. He is seeking an opinion from the Board on the Restoration Program. There have been 235 tree removals where restoration is necessary and 18 water main breaks. This activity is exempt from the current "water ban" however, PW would be asking residents to water the seeding that is laid when a tree stump has been removed. The project can be postponed till April. It was suggested and agreed that PW will continue to restore areas where the stumps have been ground out. Restoration of areas where stumps have not been ground will resume in the Springtime.

Manager Matthys informed the Board of President Pulia's nomination by the LaGrange League of Women Voters as a "Person of Impact". An award ceremony will be held 9/18, 5:30pm, Mayslake Peabody Estate.

Melissa Headley – The agreement with Regency has been executed.

Sherby Miller – None.

ADJOURN:

With no further business, Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steker to adjourn the meeting and the Board agreed (AYE 6). The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.


Sherby J. Miller, Village Clerk