

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING  
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER  
8 SEPTEMBER 2015**

President Pulia called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

President Pulia led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Deputy Clerk Jessica Spencer called the roll:

Present: Village President Pulia and Trustees Angelo Calcagno, Carl Celestino, Frank Perry, Celestine Reda, Nick Steker, and Tom Yurkovich

Also Present: Village Manager Janet Matthys, Attorney Michael Durkin, Chief Jim Adams, Chief John Carpino, Maureen Potempa, Melissa Headley, Robert Lewis and Greg Hribal

There were no presentations.

Under Public Comments, three members of the Boy Scouts Troop #22 introduced themselves (Matthew Young, Roger McMullens, and Sam Via (sp), who is working towards Eagle Scout status), and stated that they are working towards the achievement of their Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge in order to learn more about civic engagement.

Also, Frank Caputo, resident for 31 years at 2501 Nelson Sq, complemented employees in Public Works regarding flooding in his area. He also discussed the flooding issues on Nelson Square.

There were no public hearings.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approval of the Record of Bills ending 09-03-15 in the amount not to exceed \$884,565.73
- B. Approval of Departmental Monthly Reports
  - i. Community Development Department
  - ii. Fire Department
  - iii. Police Department
  - iv. Public Works Department
- C. **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.36, Entitled "Liquor Sale," of Title 5, Entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations", of the Village of Westchester Municipal Code**

Trustee Celestino requested to remove Item C from the Consent Agenda - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.36, Entitled "Liquor Sale," of Title 5, Entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations", of the Village of Westchester Municipal Code

Trustee Yurkovich moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda; Trustee Steker seconded the motion.

Deputy Clerk Spencer called the roll:

Trustee Calcagno	Aye	Trustee Reda	Aye
Trustee Celestino	Aye	Trustee Steker	Aye
Trustee Perry	Aye	Trustee Yurkovich	Aye
President Pulia	Aye		

President Pulia declared the motion carried.

Trustee Perry motioned to approve An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.36, Entitled "Liquor Sale," of Title 5, Entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations", of the Village of Westchester Municipal Code; Trustee Calcagno seconded the motion.

Trustee Celestino presented his documents and maps regarding his position to not approve this liquor license amendment. Trustee Perry asked if there were limitations to selling alcohol certain distances from schools. President Pulia stated no. President Pulia shared his frustrations with “one-hitter bottles” (airplane size bottles) with the Board. He asked the Board about restricting the size of the containers, such as the sale of one 40 ounce bottle or the small, airplane size bottles. Attorney Durkin stated he would have to investigate the specific law, but believes the Village would have the ability to place a restriction on the bottle size as well as location to schools or churches. Trustee Perry asked further questions for clarification regarding liquor licenses. Trustee Reda asked questions regarding allowing similar liquor licenses to similar businesses in other parts of town. President Pulia and Attorney Durkin addressed the ordinance specifics. President Pulia asked the Board how they would like to proceed. The Board discussed various options before voting

Deputy Clerk Spencer called the roll:

Trustee Calcagno	Nay	Trustee Reda	Nay
Trustee Celestino	Nay	Trustee Steker	Nay
Trustee Perry	Nay	Trustee Yurkovich	Nay
President Pulia	Nay		

President Pulia declared the motion failed.

**Manager’s Report** – Ms. Matthys had nothing to report.

**Attorney’s Report** – Attorney Durkin had nothing to report.

**Board Member Reports and New Business**

Trustee Perry – nothing to report

Trustee Reda – nothing to report

Trustee Yurkovich – CAB meets at 7PM on Thursday.

Trustee Celestino – He reminded the Board of the monthly e-recycling 8:30 – 11:30am on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Also, last Saturday he helped the Westchester Food Bank clean up the storage closet. Fortunately everything was up to date and there is plenty of space for more donations. Ms. Matthys also advised the Board that future donations will be restricted to bordering communities of Westchester after October 1<sup>st</sup>. President Pulia asked about their 501(c)3 status, and advised that they are still seeking to fill a position on their Executive Board.

Trustee Calcagno – Updated the Board on his recent meeting with Chief Adams, as he is the new Liaison to the Fire Department.

Chief Carpino/Police Department – Chief advised the Board that Officer Rob Verber attended the funeral of Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz, of Fox Lake, IL this past week. The Chief also stated that he received an email from Cook County Department of Homeland Security notifying the Department of the award of \$26,854. Once a mandatory meeting is attended, the Department will receive the funds necessary to purchase a new squad SUV and plans to use State “seized funds” to equip the vehicle for the Department’s use. The Chief provided an update on the current status of surplus vehicles.

Chief Adams/Fire Department – He advised the Board that he and Ms. Matthys have been meeting weekly to discuss the results of the McGrath study, as well as meetings with Trustee Calcagno regarding his Department. He also advised the Board of a recent training he’s attended. The Fire Department recently sent a care package to FF Leza who has recently been called up for military service. The Chief noted that on Friday there will be a Memorial Ceremony at 8:30AM in remembrance of the 9/11 tragedies. He listed the order of ceremonies, with a bell ringing to start off the ceremony. He also advised the Board of Captain Lebeda’s plans to retire effective September 30<sup>th</sup> and his intention to present the Board with a plan to fill the vacancy.

Maureen Potempa/Finance Director – She had nothing to report.

Greg Hribal/Special Events – He reminded the Board of the Back to School Picnic at the Park District on Sunday, and updated the Board regarding the status of a conversation with Verizon regarding enhancing cellular coverage in the Village. He also updated the Board about installing a camera at Gladstone Park. He is in the process of seeking prices for installing a new system to present to the

Park District Board. Mr. Hribal stated he is following up with the Department of Homeland Security regarding the camera on the tower behind the Fire Department to be used for Village purposes.

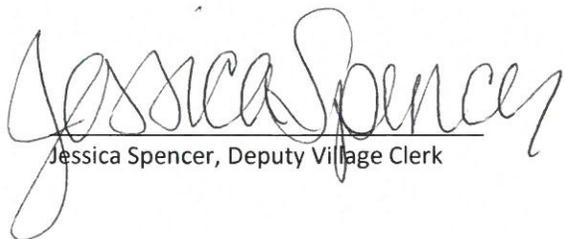
Robert Lewis/Public Works Director – The summer work is continuing with brush pick-up, sidewalk patches, hot patch (pavement repair), and using the vac truck in the sewers. He said that the radio read contract is in process and manual reads of water meters are continuing. There have been 9 water main breaks lately, which is high. Construction on Phase II at Mayfair includes NICOR relocating 2 gas mains, which should be completed within the next 10 days. This request was submitted to NICOR in April and was just recently addressed. Mr. Lewis believes that his proactive nature on this issue will prove to make NICOR more responsive in future events, but this delay will push back finishing the Mayfair project. President Pulia asked about the notification process to NICOR regarding this project. Ms. Lewis described the numerous notifications that were sent to NICOR through Public Works as well as the engineering firm hired to handle this project, and the delay by NICOR to file permits with the Village regarding the relocation. Mr. Lewis also updated the Board regarding the Municipal Campus repaving process. Ms. Matthys stated that she was notified by DCEO that only the funds received by the Village can be obligated for expenditure on engineering costs. At this point, the project should be completed by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. President Pulia expressed his concerns regarding laying asphalt after November due to the chance of failure of the asphalt to seal properly in the colder temperatures. Mr. Lewis stated that the project can be delayed until Spring 2016.

Melissa Headley/Community Relations Director – She advised the Board that she sent 75 business owners a letter regarding disabled parking requirements. She has heard from about half of the businesses at this point. She also reminded the Board regarding real estate inspections, specifically looking for feedback on the inspection form. She had previously sent out a revised inspection form for the Board but is willing to send it again if requested. She advised the Board that the EDC is hosting a lunch at the Library on September 15<sup>th</sup>. There is a Public Hearing for an amendment to the Sign Code coming up. She quickly reviewed her department report for the audience. Trustee Calcagno requested the timeline provided for the business owners to make the necessary changes – Ms. Headley advised she provided one month to make the changes, but she is willing to work with business owners that might be unable to meet that deadline. President Pulia asked if there were any changes that needed to be made to the Sign Code before the Hearing; Ms. Headley explained the process, stating no.

**President’s Report** – President Pulia reserved his comments for the COW meeting.

Trustee Yurkovich moved to adjourn the Board Meeting; Trustee Calcagno seconded the motion. By a voice vote, the motion passed.

President Pulia declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.



Jessica Spencer, Deputy Village Clerk