

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
Tuesday, 10 November 2015**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Celestino, Reda, Steker, Yurkovich and President Pulia. Trustees Calcagno and Perry were absent. Also, present were Village Clerk Miller, Village Manager Matthys, and Attorney Durkin.

Presentation of Colors – Boy Scout Troop 1

PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Honoring Retirement of Fire Captain James DeBoer – President Pulia and Chief Adams presented a plaque, acknowledged and thanked Captain DeBoer for 30 years of protection and service to the Westchester Community.
- B. Promotion of Fire Lieutenant Patrick Sherlock to Fire Captain – Sworn in by President Pulia
- C. Promotion of Firefighter Michael Doocy to Fire Lieutenant – Sworn in by President Pulia
- D. Recognition of Volunteers – Boy Scout Troop 1 and Community Members were recognized for their service to the Village with recycling and other projects.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

The meeting recessed at 7:20 PM for refreshments for guests of Captain Deboer
The meeting reconvened at 7:35 PM

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items were reviewed by President Pulia for the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Steker requested that Item 8.A (Approval of the Record of Bills ending 11-05-15 in the amount not to exceed \$855,349.42) be pulled for further review. Trustee Celestino made a motion seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to approve items 8.B-C. 7. B. (Approval of Minutes of the October 27, 2015 Village Board, Committee of the Whole, and Executive Session), 8.C. (Approval of Departmental Monthly Reports: Community Development Department, Fire Department, Police Department, and Public Works Department). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 8.B and C passed, (AYE 5). Trustee Steker questioned the invoice for GNP and wanted to ensure it was reconciled. He asked that a PW Director Lewis provide a summary on the total costs to date, dollars spent/saved versus what was initially proposed to the Board by GNP. Trustee Celestino made a motion seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to amend item 8.A. to exclude \$30,060, due Kellenburger. On the roll call vote, the motion for items 8.A passed, (AYE 5).

ACTIVE AGENDA

A. A motion was made by Trustee Steker and seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to Waive the COW for item 9.A (Resolution Providing for the Submission to the Electors of the Village of Westchester, at the General Primary Election to be held on March 15, 2016, a Public Question as to Whether the Village Should Become a Home Rule Unit). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.A passed, (AYE 5). A motion was made by Trustee Steker and seconded by Trustee Celestino to approve item 9.A (Resolution Providing for the Submission to the Electors of the Village of Westchester, at the General Primary Election to be held on March 15, 2016, a Public Question as to Whether the Village Should Become a Home Rule Unit). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.A passed, (AYE 5).

B. A motion was made by Trustee Yurkovich and seconded by Trustee Reda to Waive the COW for item 9.B (A Resolution Urging Illinois State Leaders to Release Non-General Fund Revenues Payable to Local Governments). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.B passed, (AYE 5). A motion was made by Trustee Celestino and seconded by Trustee Reda to approve item 9.B (A Resolution Urging Illinois State Leaders to Release Non-General Fund Revenues Payable to Local Governments). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.B passed, (AYE 5).

C. A motion was made by Trustee Yurkovich and seconded by Trustee Reda to Waive the COW for item 9.C (A Motion to Amend the Schedule of Village Board Meetings for the Month of December 2015). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.C passed, (AYE 5). A motion was made by Trustee Celestino and seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to approve item 9.C (A Motion to Amend the Schedule of Village Board Meetings for the Month of December 2015). On the roll call vote, the motion for item 9.C passed, (AYE 5).

MANGER'S REPORT:

Manager Matthys noted 11/11 being Veterans Day and would like to salute all Veterans. Then Village Admin offices and Police/Fire Departments will be open but not Public Works. The Neisler Family of 2323 Stratford, are the donors of the Villages' Christmas tree and will be installed in front of Station 1. Congratulations went out to President and Mrs. Pulia on their 30th year Wedding Anniversary 11/09.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

A certified of the resolution regarding Home Rule will need to be filed with the Cook County Clerk's Office. The Tax Levy will need to be passed by the December 15th Board Meeting. He also thanked Veterans for their Service.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Steker – Shared info from the National League of Cities(NLC) meeting he recently attended. Items included: Shaved "Trip Hazards", est. \$50 dollars a piece. The company is willing to come out and perform a demonstration; Alternative Claims Management Software; Open Gov software, (Transparency with budgets, access to invoices, estimate cost \$6,500); Texas A&M is offering free workshops for Senior Officials, Law Enforcement and Public Works, info will be shared with the Board; Secure View, a clear plexy glass for boarded up homes, info will be shared the Building Dept., and Chiefs Adams/Carpino. He also sat in on a session on Public Safety and Crime prevention.

Trustee Reda – Shared additional info from (NLC) and identified a foreclosure monitoring company that would interact with the banks and ensure code enforcement. Info will be shared with the Board.

Trustee Yurkovich – Trustee Yurkovich also attended the NCL. He participated in the "Michelle Obama's Let's Move" workshop and brought back ideas which will be shared with the Park District for the "Get out and Play Dates".

Trustee Celestino – The Westchester Grass Roots Garden Club planted tulips at the gateway signs, fountain, and the Balmoral & Mannheim. Tulips were donated by Oakbrook. He thanked Public Works for their assistance.

Chief Carpino/PD – The monthly Police report was provided the Board. He also passed out sample "Crime Prevention Notices", door knob hangers, that are being provided while officers are out on their rounds. The notice identifies observations such as, open/unlocked door, keys left in car, responded to an alarm.

Chief Adams/FD – Station 2 floors are being refinished, etc. 11/13. The Chief will be attending a State Certified Fir Safety Class and IRMA Risk Management Class. He also continues to work on recommendations identified by McGrath Consultants, e.g. company inspections and documentation of training.

Maureen Potempa/Financial Director – Staff continues to work on converting water bills from quarterly to monthly distribution, starting January 2016. Everything is on scheduled. Currently,

Greg Hribal/Technology Officer – Save the date: Dec. 2nd -3rd, 6:30PM – 8:30PM, the Christmas Holiday event will be held at the Park District. He and Frank Esposito met with representatives of the Radon Network 17. They were informed that all Public Safety Broadcasts need to be off the network by 2021. A new frequency is being proposed. Grant monies are being pursued for the new radio system. He will provide additional info as he gets it.

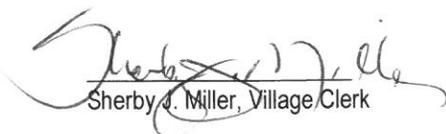
Robert Lewis/PW – Mr. Lewis noted that consultants will be at the next Board Meeting to review the Water Sewer Rate Study. Major infrastructure needs are forthcoming. Staff will also be looking at removal of the minimum use charge. Also, the 42" main has been implemented at Carlisle. President Pulia requests that the asphalt pull-off be done in concrete where the creek attaches to Carlisle. It was also recommended that the Reservoir Sign be placed by the Pump Station.

Melissa Headley/Economic Development Director – A Public Hearing will be held on Nov. 23rd to discuss a proposed Cell Phone Tower installation.

President Pulia – The President, Manager Matthys and Director Headley recently attended a Sustainability hearing put on by MWRD regarding Storm and Water Management. Discussed was a by-product "sludge" that is being used as fertilizer. It is currently being used on golf courses and some homes. The Village will look at its potential use. Also, the Village can now get rid of chips by driving them to MWD yard in Willow Springs for composting. There are funding opportunities with MWRD. The Village has applied a wish list.

ADJOURNED:

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Yurkovich made a motion, seconded by Trustee Reda to adjourn the meeting. The Board agreed by acclamation. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55PM.


Sherby J. Miller, Village Clerk