

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
Tuesday, 15 December 2015**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRESENTATIONS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Residents Phyllis Trotter, Cathy McAndrews, Jean Klotte, Bill McCarthy and A.J. Trotta expressed their opinion regarding the proposed sign for Westchester Community Church. President Pulia noted that the board will take under advisement their concerns as well as the recommendations of the Planning Commission and Board.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items were reviewed by President Pulia for the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Steker requested that Item 7.G. (An Ordinance Amending Section 14.52.020, entitled "Village Inspection of Real Estate – Certificate of Compliance Required", of Chapter 14.52, entitled "Certificates of Compliance", of Title 14, entitled "Buildings and Construction", of the Westchester Municipal Code be pulled for further review. Trustee Perry made a motion seconded by Trustee Calcagno to approve items 7.A-F and J-k. 7.A (Approval of the Record of Bills ending 12-10-15 in the amount not to exceed \$866,159.53), 7.B. (Approval of Minutes of the November 24, 2015 Village Board, Committee of the Whole Meeting and Executive Session), 7.C. (Approval of Departmental Monthly Reports; Community Development Department, Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department, 7.D. (An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.36, Entitled "Liquor Sale," of Title 5, Entitled "Business Licenses and Regulations," of the Westchester Municipal Code), 7.E. (An Ordinance Amending Title 18, entitled "Zoning", of the Westchester Municipal Code), 7.F. (An Ordinance Amending Section 14.01.110, entitled "Fees" of Article II, entitled "Permits" of Chapter 14.01, entitled "Administration" of Title 14, entitled "Buildings and Construction" of the Westchester Municipal Code), 7.H. (An Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of the Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois, by Amending Title 7, Entitled "Public Peace, Safety and Morals," and by Adding Thereto Chapter 7.128, Entitled "Rental Residential Property," and Section 7.132, Entitled "Crime Free Rental Residential Property" and Section 7.136 Entitled "Chronic Nuisance Property/Abatement"), 7.I. (An Ordinance Amending Section 14.16.020, entitled "Modifications – Insertions, Additions, Deletions and Modifications", of Chapter 14.16, entitled "International Property Maintenance Code 2012", of Title 14, entitled "Buildings and Construction" of the Westchester Municipal Code), 7.J. (A Resolution Approving the 2016 Schedule of Meetings of the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Westchester, Cook County, Illinois), 7.K. (A Resolution Regarding the Periodic Review of the Closed Meeting Minutes and the Destruction of the Verbatim Recordings of Certain Closed Meetings of the Village of Westchester). On the roll call vote, the motion to approve items 7.A-F and J-k passed, (AYE 6). After further discussion Trustee Celestino made a motion seconded by Trustee Steker to approve items 7.G. (An Ordinance Amending Section 14.52.020, entitled "Village Inspection of Real Estate – Certificate of Compliance Required", of Chapter 14.52, entitled "Certificates of Compliance", of Title 14, entitled "Buildings and Construction", of the Westchester Municipal Code). On the roll call vote, the motion for items 7.G passed, (AYE 6).

ACTIVE AGENDA

8.A. Board Action Regarding the Interest Arbitration Award Issued in Illinois Labor Relations Board Case No.S-MA-12-159 (Police Sergeants). Attorney Durkin recommended that the Board defers action on this item until Executive Session. APPROVED.

MANGER'S REPORT:

Manager Matthys noted that Village Hall admin offices will be closed Christmas evening and Christmas day. PW, Police and Fire Departments will be available 24/7. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 1/12/2016. The Food Pantry will be the recipient of CTA Holiday food baskets. President Pulia and Deputy Clerk Jessica Spencer and will meet Sunday at the Green-line Conservatory to receive the donation, CTA Holiday Train. An email was received from Airman Brian Mayer thanking Village for toiletries donated to his squadron in Djibouti. Happy Holidays were extended.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

None.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perry – EDC is working on their summit meeting scheduled 1/12/16. Topic: New Tax Law. A new member has been recommended for the committee, Mr. Dorff. Per counsel, if no issues, he can be an active member until ratified.

Trustee Steker – Board of Police and Fire are still processing the two applicants to fill current vacancies.

Trustee Celestino – None

Trustee Calcagno – Conversations held regarding what it would take to implement the second ambulance. Chief Adams will address issue during his comments.

Trustee Yurkovich – CAB did not meet but they had a successful Toy drive. A review of resume is pending for new committee recommendation.

Frank Esposito/PD – Reimbursement from Homeland Security for OT, 26k, Gang Grant/Tactical Unit; Reimbursement pending for the vehicle that was purchased; contemplating paperwork for the new law regarding the stopping of pedestrians. They will be ready for January.

Chief Adams/FD – The first condo unit has been approved under the new Fire Code than went into effect; They will participate in an "Active Shooter" drill at Loyola Hospital, along with Cook County Sheriff on 1/16; His assistant graduated from a 3 month training, IL Fire Professional Administration; Public Works was thanked for their assistance with the repair of a failing heater, saving the Village 3-4k; He is on target to meet McGrath recommendations for ISO training. He also requests Board direction regarding moving forward with securing a second ambulance. He noted costs of approximately, 150-170k. A referendum has been suggested for the additional manpower. The Village is not "Home Rule". The Board recommends moving forward and identifying the most economical route to go.

Maureen Potempa/Financial Director – Staff continues to work on radial reads, 150 of 7250 records are remaining to install. The State has started to release Motor Fuel and Video Gaming and Use Taxes. Video Gaming revenue is higher than projected. Details were shared for some of the establishments in town.

Greg Hribal/Technology Officer – Plans for the Gladstone Park Camera are being finalized. Cost are expected to be provided next week.

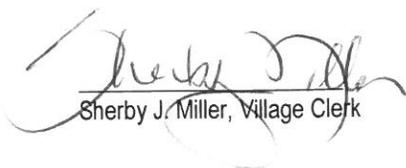
Robert Lewis/PW – A Public information forum was held 12/14 regarding the Mayfair Reservoir, approximately 35 in attendance. Discussed were the levels of protection that are in place, remaining risks and project status. Residents are encouraged to continue to participate in the Flood Plain/Flood Insurance Programs. Snow plows were refurbished in house saving 2-3k.

Melissa Headley/Economic Development Director – Since the last meeting a Cell Phone Tower meeting was held. Steering Committee meetings will start in January. The department issued (157) permits and conducted (218) inspections.

President Pulia – None.

RECESSED:

Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to recess the meeting. The Board agreed, by acclamation. The meeting was recessed at 8:00 PM.



Sherby J. Miller, Village Clerk