

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
10 JULY 2012**

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM and present / responding to roll call were Trustees Gattuso, Novak, Perry, Sloan, Steker, Yurkovich, and President Pulia. Also present were Village Manager Matthys and Attorney Durkin.

PRESENTATIONS:

A. Swearing in of Firefighter David Stefanik: President Pulia swore in new firefighter David Stefanik.

C. Police Officer Recognition: Chief Padalik recognized Ofc. Bruno Coltri, Ofc. Phillip Grollo, Ofc. Brian Lamphere, Ofc. Matt Sosnowski, Sgt. Joe Manna, Lt. Mike O'Hagan, Lt. Steve Stabosz, and CSO Sarah Hribal, for the apprehension of the Gypsy Burglars.

B. Citizen Award: Mr. Mark Blankenship was recognized for spotting the Gypsy Burglars preying on his elderly neighbor and called the police which ultimately led to their arrest by the Westchester Police Department.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Bill Mies, 2600 Sunnyside, asked if fireworks are illegal in Westchester because there were so many fireworks set off over the 4th of July. President Pulia stated fireworks are illegal in the entire state of Illinois.

Mr. Tim Hinsdale, 1613 Kennsington, asked what the \$1,000 bill to Ainsworth Rose was for. Ms. Matthys said it was an entertainment fee for the parade which was budgeted for.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Trustee Novak asked that Item Ci, Minutes of the Regular Board Board Meeting, June 5, 2012 be pulled. Trustee Sloan asked that Item E, Resolution Awarding Contract with CBBEL for Design and Construction Engineering of Basin 384N. & S. Sanitary Sewer Lining Projects be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Trustee Yurkovich made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steker to approve Items A, B, Cii, D, F, & G of the Consent Agenda and on the roll call vote the Board unanimously approved said motion. (AYE 7)

Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve Item Ci. Trustee Novak made a correction on the minutes regarding the discussion he had which was not with the Green Team. The minutes will be amended and the Board agreed to approve said motion. (AYE 7)

Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Yurkovich to approve Item E. Trustee Sloan doesn't feel it makes sense to award the contract at this time when the work will not be done until 2014. On the roll call vote the Board approved said motion. (AYE 6) (NAY 1) Trustee Sloan voted no.

ACTIVE AGENDA:

A. Motion Directing Preparation of Proposals for Street Improvements: Trustee Steker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry to approve resolution and on the roll call vote the Board passed said motion. (AYE 6) (NAY 1) Trustee Novak voted no.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Village Manager Matthys spoke with St. Joseph High School President Dave McCreery, who reported that with the Private Activity Bonds they will have an approximate \$10,000 a month savings in their mortgage and \$30,000 in some months. The Municipal Aggregation letters from First Energy went out to the residents. You do not have to sign up to be included and there should be a 46% savings on current rate. The new Public Works Director will be starting July 16th.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Trustee Perry reported that the EDC will have a meeting July 23rd at 7PM to discuss the UIC Corridor Plan. The public is invited.

Trustee Novak reported that the e-recycling is this Saturday and the Green Committee will have a table at the Fest. He also thanked everyone who helped with the parade.

Trustee Yurkovich reported that the next meeting is July 11th at 7PM and also they will have a survey for residents at the Fest.

Trustee Gattuso reported that the parade was a big success and thanked all those involved, especially Michelle Luciano. There are still wristbands available.

Trustee Steker reported they are working on dates for the next 911 meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Pulia reported that the parade was a big success and thanked everyone for all their hard work. The Fest is this weekend and they hope to be able to do the fireworks despite the drought. Tammy Duckworth will be attending Sunday night with a Veterans

program planned. President Pulia was disappointed that Com Ed was not in town sooner after the power outage and Public Works is still cleaning up from the storm. They are also back to paving.

Chief Padalik reported they are gearing up for the Fest. August 7th is National Night Out-On Crime starting at Gladstone Park, marching to the Community Center, followed by swimming and a movie in the park. On July 3, 4, and 5 the Police Department responded to 26 fireworks calls.

Chief Adams reported they are getting ready for the Fest and reminded everyone to check on elderly neighbors with the excessive heat.

Ms. Anne Burkholder reported that the auditors finished their on-site work last week. Also, the primary banking services of the Village will no longer be servicing government accounts and so they will be looking for new banking services for the future.

Mr. Anthony Saviano reported that Goodwill is up and running and doing very well. Papa John's should be open in August.

With no further business to discuss, Trustee Sloan made a motion, seconded by Trustee Steker to adjourn and the board passed said motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM. (AYE 7)

Catherine M. Booth, Village Clerk