

VILLAGE OF WEST WINFIELD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 14, 2024

PRESENT: Mayor Smith; Trustees: J. Murphy, C. Wheat. T. Niederlander, C. Clark;
Village Clerk, S. Van Duren; Fire Chief, Al Moxham; Codes Officer, M. Connors; Ambulance
Captain, M. Grann

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Smith.

Motion to Authorize the Clerk Treasurer to pay the bills presented on Abstract No.05 General Fund \$61,240.73 and Water Fund \$4,622.47 was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Wheat. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Clark, Wheat, Niederlander. Nays: None

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the September 2024 meeting was made by Trustee Wheat and seconded by Trustee Murphy. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Wheat. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Department Reports

Clerk/Treasurer:

The Board designated that the official day to celebrate Halloween will be October 31 with trick or treating between 4:30 – 6:30 pm.

Michael Jones requested a reduction in his water bill due to a water leak. The original bill of \$1,492.36 has been reduced to \$242.18 which is an average of his past billings.

Motion to Approve the water bill adjustment for Michael Jones was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Niederlander. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Water: The Lead Service Line Inventory report has been completed and submitted to the state.

Streets: The fire hydrants are scheduled to be flushed on November 24th. D. Barletta will be installing cement pads in the Village Green for the installation of the benches.

Codes: M. Connors reported that one building permit was renewed. An updated list of rental units that haven't been inspected needs to be compiled.

Fire / Ambulance Department: Chief Moxham reported there were 40 EMS calls and 9 fire calls.

Trustee Murphy provided an update on getting estimates for the insulation install for the fire department. Upstate Spray Foam will not be providing an estimate. Mayor Smith will be contacting another company for an estimate.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bisby Hall: D. Barletta will continue working on the entrance way to Bisby Hall.

Clean Energy: Trustee Wheat stated that there were no developments to report.

Grants: Mayor Smith is working on submitting the CNY Council for the Art Grant. The grant is for \$5,000 and, if received, it will cover the cost of music programs in the Town of Winfield Park during the summer.

Community Activity Committee: Mayor Smith reported that she has received positive feedback on the Fall Family Festival. She has reserved the park for the same time next year.

Work continues on the Holiday Festival which is scheduled for November 30th.

Proposed Solar Law: Mayor Smith went over changes made to the proposed solar law. A clarification is needed regarding section 16.2.7. Mayor Smith will review with the attorney.

Zoning / Codes: Committee on hold.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Radar Speed Signs – installation should be completed by the end of October.
- Trustee Murphy is working on possible modifications to the way the garbage is picked up within the Village. He will work with Wheelock Disposal Service on new ideas.
- Mayor Smith has signed the purchase offer for the sale of .134 acres of Village property to J. Christian. A closing date is expected in November.
- Mayor Smith has expressed her desire to apply the revenue from the sale of the land toward the Holiday Banners for the Village.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

Motion to Enter into Executive Session to discuss a legal issue was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Wheat. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Motion to Exit Executive Session was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Murphy. Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Results: A notice will be placed in the Star regarding door-to-door sales within the Village. The door-to-door sales policy and procedure for issuing sales permits will need to be reviewed and updated. Trustee Murphy presented possible changes to Local Law 1 of 1989 (Garbage User Fee).

Motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Wheat, seconded by Trustee Murphy.

Ayes: Smith, Murphy, Wheat, Niederlander, Clark. Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted by R Scott Van Duren, Village Clerk