

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
September 29, 2025

Present:

Chair Nicole Chen, Member Phil Nawrocki

Also Present:

President Heidi Rudolph, Village Manager Ellen Baer, Deputy Village Manager Casey Biernacki,
Director of Community Development Heather Valone

Electronic Attendance:

None.

Call to Order, 5:30 p.m.

Chair Chen moved to open the committee meeting, seconded by Member Nawrocki. The motion passed on unanimously on a voice vote.

Public Comment

None.

Agenda Items

Approval of Minutes

Chair Chen asked the Committee if there were any changes or additions to the meeting minutes from August 8, 2025 General Government Committee meeting. There were none and Chair Chen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as read, seconded by Trustee Nawrocki. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

New Business

1. Western Springs Park District – Requests for Special Events Liquor License and Temporary Use Permit for Halloween Bash Chili Cook-Off 2025

The Committee discussed the Western Springs Park District request for a special events liquor license and temporary use permit for their annual Halloween Bash Chili Cook-Off. The Park District has not offered alcohol in the past at this event, but the Committee did not see any issues with recommending the special event liquor license and temporary use permit to the Village Board for approval.

Chair Chen motioned that this item be moved to the Village Board for consideration and Trustee Narwocki seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

2. Village Manager’s Office Preliminary Budget for FY2026

The Committee reviewed and discussed the Village Manager’s Office preliminary budget.

3. 2025/2026 Strategic Plan

The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed 2025/2026 Strategic Plan and recommended it to the Village Board for Approval. Chair Chen motioned that this item be moved to the Village Board for consideration and Trustee Nawrocki seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote

Other Business

None.

Schedule Next Committee Meeting

The Committee will plan to meet next on November 3, 2025 at 5:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey Biernacki

Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager