

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Monday, April 13, 2026

President Heidi Rudolph, Presiding
Call to Order, 7:00 pm
Edward Tymick, Village Clerk

Board Members Present:

Amy Avakian
Nicole Chen
Alan Fink
Scott Lewis
Karen Martin
Phil Nawrocki

Absent:

None

Village Attorney Present:

Anne Skrodzki, Village Attorney

Staff Present:

Ellen Baer, Village Manager
Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager
John Mastandona, Director of Finance
Heather Valone, Director of Community Development
Jeff Koza, Director of Engineering
Matt Supert, Director of Municipal Services
Brian Scott, Director of Fire and EMS
Sean Gilhooley, Director of Law Enforcement
Daisy Chavez, Assistant to the Village Manager
Mike Kenney, Recreation Department
Jill Izzo, Deputy Village Clerk

Electronic Attendance:

None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Rudolph led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call as noted above.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Chen reported that the General Government Committee reviewed and recommends the Western Springs Business Association's request for a special events liquor license and temporary use permit for their upcoming events which include Gathering on the Green, Jammin' in July and Winter Wonderland slated for 2026.

Trustee Chen reported that the General Government Committee reviewed and recommends for tonight's omnibus the approval of two ordinances amending Title 4 relative to the number of liquor license issued in Western Springs. Trustee Chen reported that both Salerno's and The Opry are not renewing their liquor licenses.

Trustee Chen reported that the General Government Committee reviewed and recommends renewing a license agreement for the use of right-of-way between the Village of Western Springs and MCI Metro Access Transmission Services LLC d/b/a Verizon. Trustee Chen reported that the renewal allows MCIMetro to maintain it's privately owned fiber-optic cable within designated public rights of way.

Trustee Chen gave a brief update regarding the 9 liquor license renewals within the Village of Western Springs.

Trustee Chen reported that the General Government Committee reviewed and recommends for tonight's omnibus the appointment of prosecutor Donna J. Norton for local adjudication and other hearings.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Martin reported that Finance Committee reviewed and recommends three year renewal agreement with ClearGov. Trustee Marin reported that the Village began using ClearGov software in 2021 to assist in the budget process and it has been an essential tool.

Trustee Martin reported that Finance Committee reviewed and recommends an authorization of funds from the Downtown North TIF District Fund (5201395) for engineering services related to the Hillgrove Avenue Improvement Project.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Fink reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee reviewed and recommends the approval the 2026 Official Zoning Map as required by the Illinois Municipal Code to be done annually.

Trustee Fink reported that the Planning and Zoning Committee reviewed and recommends acceptance of the public improvements made within the 43rd Street right-of-way between Franklin and Howard Avenues as required by the redevelopment agreement entered into with 4300 Franklin Western Springs, LLC.

PUBLIC WORKS & WATER COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Lewis reported that the Public Works and Water Committee reviewed and recommends the waiver of bidding process and contract with sole-source provider Ferguson Waterworks for the purchase of water meters and accessories.

Trustee Lewis reported that the Public Works and Water Committee reviewed and recommends a professional services agreement with HRGreen, Inc. for Phase II Design Engineering Services for the Phase 3 CY26-27 Lead Service Line Replacement Program.

Trustee Lewis reported that the Public Works and Water Committee reviewed and recommends for approval on tonight's omnibus a professional services agreement with HRGreen, Inc. for Phase III Construction Observation Services for the Phase 2 CY25-26 Lead Service Line Replacement Project.

Trustee Lewis reported that the Public Works and Water Committee reviewed and recommends the proposal from V3 Companies for the preliminary engineering Phase I of the Hillgrove Avenue Improvements.

Trustee Lewis reported that the Public Works and Water Committee reviewed and recommends a professional design engineering services agreement with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. For the Safe Routes to School Travel Plan Sidewalk Infill Project.

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Trustee Lewis gave a brief water system update and mentioned the upcoming Touch a Truck event.

PROPERTIES & RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Nawrocki reported that the Properties and Recreation Committee reviewed and recommends for approval on tonight's omnibus, a contract with Titans Sports Training, LLC for professional tennis services. Titans Owner and Director Amanda Hanlon gave a presentation on the services offered by Titans Sports Training.

Trustee Nawrocki reported that the Properties and Recreation Committee reviewed and recommends for approval on tonight's omnibus Arbor Day Proclamation which was read in its entirety.

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Trustee Avakian reported that the Public Health and Safety Committee reviewed and recommended an agreement with Oxcart Permit Services, LLC to maintain and process overweight permit requests submitted by vehicle exceeding the legal weight limits to travel on public streets or highways.

CONSIDERATION OF AN OMNIBUS VOTE

Trustee Chen moved that the ordinances, resolutions and motions as contained on the meeting agenda for April 13, 2026, be adopted and/or approved under an Omnibus vote. Trustee Chen read the Omnibus in its entirety.

Omnibus:

A. Ordinance No. 26-3315

An Ordinance amending Title 4 (Liquor Control), Chapter 1 (Alcoholic Liquor), Section 4-1-10a(2) and Section 4-1-10a(8) of the Western Springs Village Code relative to the number of Class "B" (Full Service Restaurant with a Patron Bar); Class "H" (Outdoor Liquor Café); liquor licenses which can be issued in the Village of Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois (Salerno's Western Springs, Inc. d/b/a Salerno Pizzeria & R Bar)

B. Ordinance No. 26-3316

An Ordinance amending Title 4 (Liquor Control), Chapter 1 (Alcoholic Liquor), Section 4-1-10a(15) and Section 4-1-10a(8) of the Western Springs Village Code relative to the number of Class "O" (Craft Beer, Wine, and Spirits Establishment License (On-Site Consumption

and Packaged Sales)); Class “H” (Outdoor Liquor Café); liquor licenses which can be issued in the Village of Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois (Daydream Coffee Company, LLC d/b/a The Opry)

C. A motion to approve the appointment of Donna J. Norton, attorney, as prosecutor for Local Adjudication and other local hearings and to authorize the Village President to execute the professional services agreement for said legal services.

D. Resolution No. 26-2993

A Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement between the Village of Western Springs and HR Green, Inc. for construction observation services related to the Phase II Lead Service Line Replacement Program.

E. A motion to proclaim April 24, 2026 as Arbor Day and urge all citizens to support efforts to care for trees and woodlands and to support the community forestry program.

F. Resolution No. 26-2994

A Resolution approving and authorizing the execution of an Independent Contractor Agreement between the Village of Western Springs and Titans Sports Training, LLC for the conduct of tennis instructional coaching programs for the Village of Western Springs Recreation Department (Initial Term: April 13, 2026 through December 31, 2028)

Trustee Martin seconded to the motion.

Motion passed on a roll call vote.

Voting Aye: Avakian, Chen, Fink, Lewis, Martin, Nawrocki and President Rudolph

Voting Nay: None

REPORTS

Monthly Financial Report (Trustee Martin)

None.

Village President Rudolph

President Rudolph reported that she was excited to see the some many projects happening throughout the Village and thanked Village staff for all of their hard work.

Village Manager Baer

Manger Baer reported on IDOT's change in speed limit on 47th Street and introduced Chief Gilhooley to give a brief update on traffic enforcement in that area.

Village Attorney Skrodzki

Attorney Skrodzki reported that she has completed both FOIA and procurement training presentations for Village Staff and she will next be hosting an ethics training for staff.2

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Martin made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Trustee Nawrocki. Motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by:



Jill Izzo

Deputy Village Clerk