



AGENDA

GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

General Government Committee: June 15, 2026 at 6:15 PM
Village Hall 740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs, IL 60558

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of May 4, 2026 General Government meeting minutes.

C. Public Comment

D. New Business

1. St. John of the Cross Parish Raffle License and Bond Waiver Application
2. The Clever Drinker, 4354 Johnson Avenue, The Clever Drinker LLC - Class "O" Liquor License
3. Proclamation - June 2026 PRIDE Month
4. Proclamation - Juneteenth

E. Other Business

F. Schedule Next Committee Meeting

G. Adjournment

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
May 4, 2026 Meeting Minutes
Village Hall
740 Hillgrove Avenue, Board Room
Western Springs, IL 60558
5:22 p.m.

Present

Chair Chen, Member Nawrocki, President Heidi Rudolph, Village Manager Ellen Baer, Deputy Village Manager Casey Biernacki

Electronic Participation: None.

Call to Order

Chair Chen moved to open the committee meeting, seconded by Member Nawrocki. The motion passed on a roll call vote. Voting aye: Chair Chen and Member Nawrocki. The General Government Committee meeting was called to order at 5:22 p.m.

Agenda Items

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Chen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 13, 2026, seconded by Trustee Nawrocki. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

3. Legislative Update

Manager Baer gave a legislative update outlining legislative priorities of the West Central Municipal Conference, DuPage Mayors and Managers Association, and the Village of Western Springs.

4. Adjournment

Chair Chen moved, seconded by Member Nawrocki, to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Village Manager, Casey Biernacki

PRIDE MONTH PROCLAMATION
June 2026

WHEREAS, the Village of Western Springs observes Pride Month to honor the history of the LGBTQ+ liberation movement and to support the rights of all citizens to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. LGBTQ+ individuals have had immeasurable impact to the cultural, civic, and economic successes of our country; and

WHEREAS, this nation was founded on the principle that every individual has infinite dignity and worth and the Village of Western Springs is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for LGBTQ+ people in our diverse community; and

WHEREAS, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQ+ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that education and awareness remain vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to act and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance and advance equal rights.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois to be affixed this 15th day of June, 2026.

ATTEST:

Village President Heidi Rudolph

Village Clerk Edward Tymick

PROCLAMATION
Juneteenth – June 19, 2026

WHEREAS, June 19, 1865, freedom finally came for the 250,000 enslaved people of Texas, marking the end of slavery and the beginning of the work to make America’s promise of equality real for all Americans.

WHEREAS, Juneteenth marks a profound turning point in American history, celebrating the triumph of the human spirit over the injustice of slavery and honoring the enduring resilience of the African American community; and

WHEREAS, our nation's journey forward is continuously shaped by the strength, culture, and achievements of Black Americans, whose contributions are foundational to our shared history and progress; and

WHEREAS, we reflect with gratitude on the decades of dedication, activism, and collaborative effort that have advanced civil rights and brought us closer to our highest ideals of liberty and equality; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth serves as a vibrant reminder that our future relies on unity, requiring us to pair community-driven advocacy with visionary public policy to ensure liberty and justice for all;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois to be affixed this 15th day of June, 2026.

Village President Heidi Rudolph

ATTEST:

Village Clerk Edward Tymick