

**VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.
2nd Floor - Board Room**

Call to Order

The Board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bellwood was called to order by Mayor Harvey at 6:06 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Andre Harvey, Village Clerk Janel Moreland, Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, and Nightengale (absent).

Pledge of Allegiance

The Village Board and others in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Harvey.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to approve the March 20, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Agenda. Trustee Delgado moved, seconded by Trustee Holman to approve the board meeting agenda. Upon a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously to approve the March 20, 2024, Board Meeting Agenda.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to approve the minutes of the last regular Board meeting (February 21, 2024). Trustee Ciavattone moved, seconded by Trustee Boston, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last Board meeting and approve the minutes as presented. Upon a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Presentation:

None

Committee Reports

A. Public Works Department

Trustee Ciavattone reported the following:

I have several items to report for the month of February 2024.

- Water main breaks - 6, Sewer mains jetted – 16, Storm sewers installed – 3, 2, Street lights repaired – 10, traffic lights repaired - 1, street signs replaced – 1, sidewalk inspections – 10, potholes filled throughout the village – 1,293. Tree trimming continues all year weather permitting.

We are recommending the following items on the consent agenda:

- Item H – Approves the agreement for Phase 1 study for certain improvements at the Metra Station.
- Items I – Approves the CDBG Application.
- Item J – Approves the intergovernmental agreement with the State of Illinois for the purchase of rock salt.

Always remember our first responders, police, fire, medical personnel, active-duty military, veterans, homeland security, emergency management and volunteers.

B. Community Development

Trustee Boston reported the following:

I have nothing new to report from the Community Development Committee and nothing appearing on the consent agenda.

C. Quality of Life

Trustee Holman reported the following:

- The committee of Quality of Life, Bellwood Community Resource Center monthly activity from February 1 – February 29, 2024, had 73 patrons.
- The Building Department approved 103 permits in February and 80 permits were picked up by the applicant.

We are recommending the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- Item G – Approves a request for zoning relief approving conditional use for a home daycare.

D. Administration

Trustee Robinson reported the following:
We have 1 item on the consent agenda.

- Item F – Renews an agreement for computer services.

F. Public Safety

Trustee Delgado reported the following:
We have no items for the Consent Agenda:

D. Finance Committee

Mayor Harvey reported the following in the absence of Trustee Nightengale:
We are recommending the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- Item A – Approves the annual appropriation ordinance for 2024 annual budget.
- Item B – Approves the supplemental appropriation for 2023.
- Item C – Adopts the 2022 audit.
- Item D – Approves the agreement for Sikich to perform the 2023 audit.
- Item E – Approves the agreement for the actuarial analysis of the village pension plan.

I would like a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$2,018,111.51 when funds become available.

Trustee Ciavattone moved, seconded by Trustee Holman, to pay the bills when funds become available.
The results of the roll call vote are as follows:

Ayes:	5	Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, and Delgado
Nays:	0	
Abstain:	0	
Absent:	1	Trustee Nightengale

Ad Hoc Committees: Nothing to report.

Ordinance 24-05

- A. An Ordinance making Appropriations for the Calendar Year beginning January 1, 2024, and Ending December 31, 2024.

Ordinance 24-06

- B. An Ordinance Approving Supplemental Appropriations for the Calendar Year Beginning January 1, 2023, and Ending December 31, 2023.

Resolution 24-14

- C. A Resolution Adopting the Findings of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Year Ending December 31, 2022.

Resolution 24-15

- D. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and Sikich, LLP.

Resolution 24-16

- E. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and the Howard E. Nyhart Company, Inc.

Resolution 24-17

- F. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and Impact Network, LLC.

Ordinance 24-07

- G. An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use for the Property Commonly Referred to as 3500 Wilcox Avenue, Bellwood, Illinois 60104.

Resolution 24-18

- H. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Amended Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and Edwin Hancock Engineering Company.

Resolution 24-19

- I. A Resolution Approving the 2024 Program Year Community Development Block Grant Application.

Resolution 24-20

- J. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and the State of Illinois Department of Central Management Services (Joint Purchasing Cooperative)

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to place the items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Delgado moved, seconded by Trustee Ciavattone.

The results of the roll call vote are as follows:

Ayes:	5	Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, and Delgado
Nays:	0	
Abstain:	0	
Absent:	1	Trustee Nightengale

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Boston, seconded by Trustee Holman.

The results of the roll call vote are as follows:

Ayes:	5	Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, and Delgado
Nays:	0	
Abstain:	0	
Absent:	1	Trustee Nightengale

Village Clerk's Report

The Village Clerk no longer gives a report, and it has been removed from the Board Meeting Agenda at the request of Mayor Harvey.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Harvey reported the following:

- Early voting is done.
- Congratulations to everyone who won the election. Good to see Danny Davis back in the office again. Congratulations to our 1st District Commissioner Tara Stamps.
- St. Charles project still moving. Hoping to see demolition starting within the next 30-60 days.
- We are on #26 houses. We are searching for vacant lots to build new homes on. We have a new home at 241 Bohland. They'll start the interior soon. You will see a couple of new homes on the east side of town, east of 25th and two additional homes on Monroe.

New Business:

None.

Unfinished Business:

None.

Public Comment:

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to open the floor for Public Comment.

Trustee Ciavattone made a motion and Trustee Boston seconded to open the floor for public comment.

All Trustees were in favor of opening the floor. Upon a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Harvey declared the floor for public comment open.

Amy Crump Bellwood Director read her library report –

A copy of the report is attached with the minutes.

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to close the floor for Public Comment.

Trustee Boston made a motion and Trustee Holman seconded to open the floor for public comment.

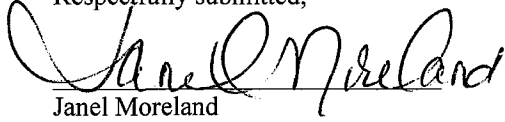
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Adjournment:

Mayor Harvey requested a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Trustee Delgado moved, seconded by Trustee Ciavattone, to adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice vote, the motion was carried unanimously. Mayor Harvey declared the meeting adjourned, with no further business to come before this Board, this meeting stands adjourned at 6:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janel Moreland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Janel Moreland
Village Clerk

**Director's Report to Village
March 2024**

The Bellwood Library had 1,488 visitors in February.

This year, the library is concentrating on increasing the library's collection of Spanish books for all ages. So far, we have added 25 youth Spanish books and 13 teen Spanish books for teens. Additional titles for adults will be available soon.