

VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD
Board Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2025
Boardroom- 2nd Floor

The Village of Bellwood conducted a Village Board meeting, June 18, 2025, at 6:00p.m. in the Village Boardroom at 3200 Washington Blvd. Bellwood IL 60104-1984.

Call to Order

The board meeting was called to order and chaired on Wednesday June 18, 2025, at 6:02pm, by Mayor Harvey.

Roll Call

Roll call was initiated by Mayor Harvey and conducted by the Village Clerk Jacqueline Hargrett. The following were present for the roll call: Mayor Harvey, Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale. Also in attendance are the following department heads: Peter Tsiolis, Willie Norfleet, Chief Allen, Chief Reitz, Marty Walker, James Stock, and Tonita Leshore. Also in attendance was Attorney Castaldo.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

The agenda of June 18, 2025, board meeting was approved by a motion from Trustee Boston and seconded by Trustee Delgado. There was a unanimous vote to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

The approval of the minutes from the last board meeting was approved by a motion from Trustee Ciavattone, seconded by Trustee Holman. There was a unanimous vote to approve the minutes.

Presentations:

None

Committee Reports

Public Works - Trustee Ciavattone

Report for the month of May 2025

Water main breaks- 1

Fire Hydrant flushing continues

Street light poles replaced - 2

Street light heads replaced - 2

Street signs replaced - 15

Sidewalk inspections -23

Potholes filled – 1

Tree maintenance continues all year weather permitting.

Tree stumps removed 11

Recommending approval of the following Items on the Consent Agenda:

Item B – Approves an agreement pertaining to the St. Charles Road for the resurfacing project.

Item C – Approves the engineering agreement pertaining to 2025 water main replacement project.

Item F – Approves the IGA with IDOT.

Item L – Approves the funds for St. Charles Roadway Improvement Projects.

Always support our first responders, police, fire, medical personnel, active-duty military, veterans, homeland security and all volunteers who help with the Village of Bellwood events.

Community Development – Trustee Boston

Recommending the following Items on the Consent Agenda:

Item A – Grants a Class 6B to Ferrara.

Item D, J, K,- Approves change orders to the Bellwood Gateway Project.

Item I – Approves the demolishing of the property at 2817 St Charles Road.

Item N- Approves the purchase of two properties from Illinois Bell Telephone.

Quality of Life- Trustee Holman

For the Building department, there were 120 Permits in May, and 129 permits were picked up by applicants at the end of the month.

The Human Resource Center report will be at the next meeting.

Recommending the following Items from the Consent Agenda.

Item E – Renews an agreement with metro for certain staffing needs.

Item O – Approves zoning relieve for 220 Mannheim Road.

Administration - Trustee Robinson

A School Board report was given.

Recommending the followings Items from the Consent Agenda:

Item E- Approves the youth summer work program.

Public Safety - Trustee Delgado

Recommending the following Items from the Consent Agenda:

Item G – Approve a MOU temporary use of a gun range by the police department .

Item H – Approve a MOU for our police department to participate in a drug and gang task force.

Finance -Trustee Nightengale

I would like a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$3,249,842.31 when funds become available.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Boston

Roll call:

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

We have no items on the Consent Agenda and there is nothing from the Ad Hoc committee.

Attorney Castaldo – Correction Item M is the Metro contract. Also, would like Item O removed from the consent agenda. It is not completed yet. It will be at the next board meeting.

Mayor Harvey - Motion to place Items A through N on the Consent Agenda as presented:

Motion: Trustee Boston

Second: Trustee Ciavattone

Roll call:

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0 The motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Harvey: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion: Trustee Holman

Second: Trustee Nightengale

Roll call:

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Harvey: Motion to table Item O until the July board meeting.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Boston

Roll call:

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor's Report

Juneteenth is tomorrow.

We raised the Juneteenth flag.

Speaker of the House Emanuel Christ Welch will be having his Juneteenth celebration in Hillside at the Eisenhower Park tomorrow. Bellwood will be a vendor there. That is from 1:00 to 5:00.

Broadview will have a Juneteenth and a 110-year celebration on Friday night, Saturday and Sunday.

The Village of Bellwood does not have a Juneteenth celebration because it will be honoring and supporting Speaker Chris Welch's Event and Broadview's event.

Taste of Bellwood will be an August 8,9,and 10th. We are expecting over 50,000 visitors. Thanks to Ms. Cynthia, Ms. Taushonia and Ms. Tonita for volunteering their time. Thank you to the volunteers and trustees for volunteering.

The Village of Bellwood started our Summer Work Program. There are about 68 youth working for the Village of Bellwood. The other Program, G-2 Emerging Leaders, has 9 tremendous students.

We have Ferrera Candy visitors in the audience. We appreciate their business in Bellwood.

Honored Chief Reitz, retiring after 26 years of service.

Peter Tsiolis - Consent Agenda A provides Ferrera with an incentive to stay as they are expanding.

Chief Reitz – Introduced Captain Ross Harris , who will be placing him as Chief. He has 24years of service with the Bellwood Fire Department.

New Business

None

Unfinished Business

None

Public Comment

Mayor Harvey: Motion to open the floor for public comment.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Boston

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Roy Canada 836 Cernan Dr. Bellwood IL

Roy Canada spoke on his concern on being overpriced, sales taxes and McDonalds in Bellwood's conduct and unfair prices.

Mayor-Call the police department or come to the Village if there are any problems.

Peter Tsiolis- Different Municipals have different tax rates. Agreed to go over the concern in detail with Mr. Canada after the meeting.

Mayor Harvey: Motion to close the floor for public comment.

Motion: Trustee Delgado

Second: Trustee Holman

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Mayor Harvey: Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Holman

Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Jacqueline Hargrett

Bellwood Village Clerk