

VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD
Board Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2025
2nd Floor- Boardroom

The Village of Bellwood conducted the Village Board Meeting on August 20, 2025, 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 August 20, 2025, at 6:01pm 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, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale. Also in attendance were the following department heads: Peter Tsiolis, Willie Norfleet, Chief Allen, Chief Harris, Marty Walker, James Stock, and Tonita Leshore. Also in attendance were Attorney Castaldo and Aric Swaney. Trustee Boston was absent.

There is a Quorum.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda – Mayor Harvey

The agenda of August 20, 2025, board meeting was approved by a motion from Trustee Holman and seconded by Trustee Delgado.

Roll call:

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Approval of Minutes-Mayor Harvey

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

Roll call:

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Presentations:

None

Committee Reports

Public Works - Trustee Ciavattone

Report for the month of July 2025

Water main breaks - 4

Sewer mains jetted - 2

Streetlight pole replaced - 1

Streetlight head replaced - 1

Street signs replaced - 1

Sidewalk inspections - 19

Trees trimmed - 88

Trees Removed - 3

Recommending Item D – for the engineering agreement for the Hyde Park Avenue Bioretention Project.

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

Quality of Life- Trustee Holman

Bellwood Community Resource Center activity from July 1st to July 31st - number of patrons 88.

Building Department- 129 permits were approved in the month of July and 144 permits were picked up by the end of the month.

Recommending the following items from the Consent Agenda – Items approves a text amendment to allow for nail salons as a permit use in the B-1 and B-2 zoning districts.

Administration - Trustee Robinson

Recommending the following Item from the Consent Agenda. Item E approves an intergovernmental agreement with Cook County.

Public Safety – Trustee Delgado

We are recommending the following item from the Consent Agenda. Item F approves the lowest responsible bidder for the Sidewalk Replacement Project.

Finance -Trustee Nightengale

I would like a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$3,061,686.13 when funds become available.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Holman

Roll call:

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

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

Mayor Harvey made a motion to place Item A on the Consent Agenda which is an approval of a class b real estate tax incentive for the address of 840 S 25th Ave and Item C approving a change order for additional expenditures, the cost related to the Bellwood Gateway Project.

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

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Holman

Roll call:

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Consent Agenda

A. Resolution Approving a Class 6B Real Estate Tax Incentive for the Property Commonly Referred to as 840 South 25th Avenue, Bellwood, Cook County, Illinois 60104,

B. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 156.056 & 156.057 of the Village of Bellwood Code of Ordinances to Add Nail Salons as a Permitted Use in the B-1 & B-2 Zoning District,

C. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing a Change Order to the Construction Contracts for the Bellwood Gateway Project,

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

E. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and the County of Cook,

F. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract by and between the Village of Bellwood and Nardulli Construction Company, Inc. the Lowest Responsible Bidder,

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

Motion: Trustee Delgado

Second: Trustee Robinson

Roll call:

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Mayor's Report

Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time for the fabulous Taste of Bellwood August 8th, 9th and 10th. Thanks to Cynthia Eubanks. We had over 50,000 residents, visitors, and guest that came through over those 3 days. We will keep doing it again because our community desires to be celebrated and we want to make sure we are a warm family friendly welcome community.

New Business

None

Unfinished Business

None

Public Comment

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

Motion: Trustee Delgado

Second: Trustee Ciavattone

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Public Comment

Roy Canada 836 Cernan Dr. Bellwood IL

Mr. Canada had a question regarding the recent heavy rain for 3 days. He got rain 3 times in his basement. He questioned whether anyone is coming out from the federal government, or does he have to call his insurance company?

Mayor Harvey stated that in order for the federal government to come out, it must be declared a disaster. It has not been declared a disaster in Bellwood.

Roy Canada expressed a complaint and concern regarding bushes near the creek at the expressway back to Madison. He was referred to Marty Walker (public works) to address his concerns.

Roy Canada wanted to know what is coming to the location at 25th and Madison.

Mayor Harvey stated that the prior building was torn down and leveled. And a new Industrial building is coming to that location.

Kenneth Holmes 3910 Gladys Ave

Mr. Holmes stated that he is a veteran and would like to utilize the building on St Charles, which used to be a VFW location, right across the street from the Post Office. He would like his organization America Care Too to use the building to assist veterans in obtaining benefits.

Mayor Harvey responded that the location was foreclosed on, and someone is in the process of purchasing it; we can look for another space that the village owns, to possibly lease some space.

Terry Dean 3220 Adams

Mr. Dean wanted to know with the building of the reservoir whether there is some type of relief coming to the homes that are in the flood area regarding the flood insurance.

Mayor Harvey indicated that when Water Reclamation has completed their project, the Army Corp of Engineers will come out and redraw the flood map. The Water Reclamation has meetings also and you can attend and ask questions. Kari Steele is the president.

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

Motion: Trustee Delgado

Second: Trustee Ciavattone

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried.

Adjournment

Mayor Harvey: Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Trustee Holman

Second: Trustee Delgado

Ayes: 5 Trustees Ciavattone, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Trustee Boston

The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm.



Jacqueline Hargrett
Bellwood Village Clerk