VILLAGE OF BELLWOOD
Village Board Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2026

The Village of Bellwood conducted the Village Board meeting in the Village Board Room at 3200 Washington Blvd. Bellwood IL 60104-1984.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order on October 21, 2026 at 6:01 pm and chaired 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, and Nightengale. Also in attendance are the following department heads: Willie Norfleet, Chief Harris, Marty Walker, Chief Allen, James Stock, and Peter Tsiolis. Also in attendance were Aric Swaney and Attorney Castaldo III.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

The agenda of the October 21, 2026 Village Board meeting was approved by a motion from Trustee Delgado and seconded by Trustee Robinson. There was a unanimous vote to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

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

Committee Reports

Public Works - Trustee Ciavattone

Report for the month of September 2026
Water main breaks- 3
Fire hydrant flushing continues.
Sewer mains jetted -5
Streetlight poles replaced - 3
Streetlight heads replaced –8
Streetlights repaired – 8
Street signs replaced – 15
Sidewalk inspections - 22
Potholes filled throughout the Village – 49
Tree maintenance continues all year weather permitting.
Recommending the following Items on the Consent Agenda:
Item F. - A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and Bruno's Tuckpointing, Inc - Awards a contract to a construction firm for the tuckpointing of certain Village owned buildings located at 3200 Washinton Boulevard and 2601 St. Charles Road.

Always support our first responders, police, fire, medical personnel, public works, active-duty military, veterans, Bellwood 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. Resolution Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and APO Architecture PC - The agreement provides professional design services for the design of Bakery space to be located at 2615 St. Charles Rd.

Item D. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and MCF Builders Incorporated - Awards of a contract to a construction firm for the demolition of the structure located on the property commonly referred to as 5101-5133 St. Charles Road.

Item E. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and SDE Strategic Demolition & Excavation - Awards a contract to a demolition firm for the demolition of the structure located on the property commonly referred to as 2501, 2511 and 2513-17 St. Charles Road.

Quality of Life- Trustee Holman

The Bellwood Community Resource Center had 69 patrons from September 1 to September 30.

From the Building Department, there were 113 permits approved in September and 117 permits were issued.

Recommending the following Items on the Consent Agenda:

Item G. - An Ordinance Amending Title XI Chapter 116 of the Village of Bellwood Code of Ordinances. The amendment changes the age from 18 to 21 for the purchase of tobacco.

Administration - Trustee Robinson

There were 3 new male applicants for the scholarship awards.

There is nothing on the Consent Agenda from the Administration committee.

Public Safety – Trustee Delgado

Recommending the following Items on the Consent Agenda:

Item B. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and the Cook County Emergency Telephone System Board and Clarity Partners - The agreement provides for onboarding and support services to be utilized in connection with the Village of Bellwood's participation with the Cook County Emergency Telephone System Board.

Item C. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Entrance into a Memorandum of Understanding by and between Neighboring Municipalities and the Village of Bellwood (West Suburban Special Response Team) - The memorandum of understanding provides for the Village's participation in the West Suburban Response Team providing mutual tactical support to several neighboring police departments.

Finance -Trustee Nightengale

I would like a motion to pay bills in the amount of $2,555,182.40 when funds become available.

Motion: Trustee Ciavattone

Second: Trustee Delgado

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.

Mayor Harvey - Motion to place the items on the Consent Agenda as presented:
Motion: Trustee Boston
Second: Trustee Holman
Roll call:
Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
The motion was carried unanimously.

A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and APO Architecture PC.
B. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and the Cook County Emergency Telephone System Board and Clarity Partners.
C. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Entrance into a Memorandum of Understanding by and between Neighboring Municipalities and the Village of Bellwood (West Suburban Special Response Team).
D. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and MCF Builders Incorporated.
E. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and SDE Strategic Demolition & Excavation.
F. A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement by and between the Village of Bellwood and Bruno's Tuckpointing, Inc.
G. An Ordinance Amending Title XI Chapter 116 of the Village of Bellwood Code of Ordinances.

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

Thank you to all the employees, volunteers, department heads, trustees, and Madam Clerk for attending and supporting the Annual Hispanic Fest. These events are for all of us to learn about other cultures.
The Bellwood Gateway Apartments are about 82% full.
October is breast cancer month. Be sure to get your mammograms. Thank you to Trustee Boston for an outstanding Breast Cancer Sneakers event.
November 21, 2026 will be our Annual Christmas Parade event and a Winter Wonder Fest at the Memorial Park District. The public works department takes pride in orchestrating the Christmas lights and decorations, along with the other departments.

Presentations

There was a presentation from the Cook County Climate Resiliency for Communities Program. The presentation included information on Project 01 where the Village installed three emergency backup generators at lift stations throughout Bellwood. Also, Project 02 where the Village completed targeted sanitary sewer system improvements. Bellwood was presented with an award certification that was accepted by Mayor Harvey.

New Business
None

Unfinished Business
None

Attorney Castaldo
No report.

Public Comment
Mayor Harvey: Motion to open the floor for public comment.
Motion: Trustee Delgado
Second: Trustee Ciavattone
Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Robinson, Delgado, Nightengale
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
The motion was carried unanimously.

Comments
Christal Beyer introduced herself as the new director from the Bellwood Public Library. She gave appreciation to the Bellwood police department for their support. She distributed a flyer regarding upcoming events for Halloween.

Michael James spoke on behalf of the Proviso Area Exceptional Children, otherwise known as PACE. He expressed their appreciation to Mayor Harvey for so much support over the years. And also, the support from Chief Allen and the community.

Frederick Sampson from the 400-block of Hyde Park, thanked Mayor Harvey for everything he is doing for the Bellwood community. He asked Mayor Harvey if the 25th and Madison new building is a data center. Mayor Harvey explained it is a manufacturing center not a data center. Mr. Sampson also noted there are also still water issues on Hyde Park Ave.

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.

Mayor Harvey
Tonita LeShore's (Human Resource Director) mother passed away last week.
Gay Chase's (Police and Fire Commissioner) father passed away 3 days later.

Adjournment

Mayor Harvey: Motion to adjourn.
Motion: Trustee Ciavattone
Second: Trustee Delgado
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 6:34pm.

Jacqueline Hargrett
Bellwood Village Clerk