

Village of Bellwood
BELLWOOD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2026

The Village of Bellwood conducted a Committee of the Whole meeting in the Village Boardroom at 3200 Washington Blvd. Bellwood IL 60104-1984.

Call to Order

The Committee of the Whole meeting was called to order and chaired by Mayor Harvey on June 8, 2026 at 3:33pm.

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. There is a quorum.

Also in attendance were the following department heads: Willie Norfleet, Chief Harris, Chief Allen, James Stock, Chief Schwartz, Tonita LeShore, Charles Hodges, and Marty Walker. Also, present was Attorney Castaldo III and Aric Swaney.

Pledge of Allegiance

The agenda for June 8, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting was approved as follows:

Motion: Trustee Delgado

Second: Trustee Holman

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried.

The approval of the minutes from the last Committee of the Whole meeting was as follows:

Motion: Trustee Boston

Second: Trustee Nightengale

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried.

Presentations

None

Committee Reports

Trustee Ciavattone – Public Works – Regular Report

Trustee Boston – Community Development – Regular Report

Trustee Holman – Quality of Life- Regular Report

Trustee Robinson-Administration – Regular Report

Trustee Delgado – Public Safety- Regular Report

Trustee Nightengale – Finance – Regular Report

Nothing from the Ad Hoc committee.

Department Head Reports

Economic Development

Aric Swaney

Procurement purchases for the Bellwood Gateway project, for some interior designs in the commercial spaces, are on the Consent Agenda.

There will be some construction and realty contracts for 346 23rd Ave and 610 23rd Ave for new houses.

We are waiting for a huge sign for the Bellwood Gateway building.

Leasing for the Bellwood Gateway buildings will be starting soon.

Demolition for development of the 2501 old Jamali location will be starting soon.

Finance Director/Comptroller

Willie Norfleet

Utility Billing for April \$616,000 Collected \$633,000.

Year-to-Date Billing for all utilities is \$2.4 million.

Receivables for April Refuse, Water and Sewer are \$1,153,000 .

Year-to-date as of April 30th - Water turn-on fees 0 and New Ownership fees 70.

April Cash Receipts collected \$11,307,000. Year- to-Date \$28,849,000.

Invoices for May are \$1.6 million, and we have the cashflow to pay.

As of the end of April, the general fund collected \$12,156,000. Spend \$10,810,000. Therefore a \$1.3 million overage.

Water and Sewer Billing Collected \$2 million dollars Expended \$1.8 million with an overage of \$141,000.

The Village received \$12,000 for 2 months of the grocery tax.

Interest collected in May \$102,000.

Interest year- to-date is \$502,000.

Police Department

Chief Allen

There are four officers in the academy, and one is on the street. Everyone is doing well.

There are two spots in the next academy in August. Currently doing two background checks.

Implementing the Cook County dispatch coming in December.

Cop on a Roof raised \$4800 on May 15th.

Preparing for the upcoming Taste of Bellwood event.

Fire Department

Chief Harris

There were 415 calls for emergency services. There were two structure fires. One in Maywood and one in Stone Park.

Installed 5 car seats.

Four smoke detectors were installed.

There was a CPR class on May 16th, and there will be another on July 18th.

Applied for 3 grants, 2 for equipment for the new ambulance and one for bullet proof vest.

There is a new hire that started June 4th, who is a certified as a fire fighter and emergency medical technician from another town.

A new intern is starting tomorrow as an EMS.

Public Works

Marty Walker

The Westend Improvement Sewer Line Project continues. Manhole replacement and rehab begin tomorrow. It is funded by a grant from Cook County.

Fuel Pump Replacement Project is near completion.

We are selecting the streets for the 2026 Street Resurfacing Program.

Spoil removable service continues.

Lead Service Line Replacement Project has started.

Village Engineer

Charles Hodges

Copenhaver Construction Co. was the lowest bidder in the Hyde Park Bioretention Project at \$473,615.35. There is an agreement request for them to observe the project.

The Water Main Replacement Project began on 47th Ave.

Building Commissioner

James Stock

Nail Salon at 480 25th Ave received a temporary occupancy and business license.

Permits for 840 25th Ave location has been issued.

There are 2 zoning items on the Consent Agenda on automobile parts and automobile service stores.

Changes to the code for Cannabis is on the Consent Agenda.

Human Resources

Tonita LeShore

Looking for volunteers, for the Clean and Green Day June 27th.

The Neighborhood Watch meeting is Thursday June 18,2026. Ceda will be speaking on the weatherization program.

Homeland Security

Chief Schwartz

The monthly report is as follows:

Special Detail-2

Emergency calls – 5

There were several sessions. Total Manhours –543.75 .

Going through background checks for two more people interested in joining the department.

Attorney Castaldo III

No report.

Mayor Harvey

Thanks to everyone who came out to the shred day event.

The library had an open house last Saturday.

Condolences to the passing of Clinton Thornton on June 1st. Visitation will be June 12th at Canton Funeral home 1001 Madison in Maywood. The funeral will be Saturday June13th at First Baptist Church in Melrose Park. Thornton was on the fire department, the police and fire commissioner and the District88 school board.

New Business

Attorney Castaldo III

There are several new items on the Consent Agenda.

Unfinished Business

None

Public Comment

Motion to open the floor for public comment.

Motion: Trustee Boston

Second: Trustee Ciavattone

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

No public comment.

Motion to close the floor for public comment.

Motion: Trustee Boston

Second: Trustee Delgado

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

The floor is closed for public comment.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn.

Motion: Trustee Holman

Second: Trustee Boston

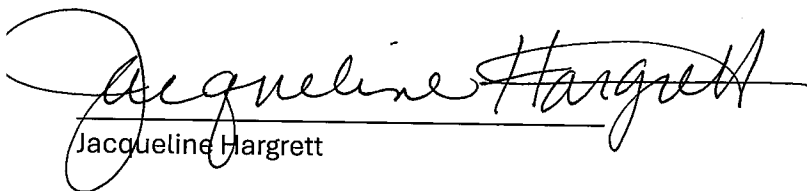
Ayes: 6 Trustees Ciavattone, Boston, Holman, Delgado, Nightengale, Robinson

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Mayor Harvey adjourned the meeting at 3:56pm .



Jacqueline Hargrett