

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
INC. VILLAGE OF WESTBURY
VILLAGE HALL CONFERENCE & BOARD ROOM
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026
6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro
Trustee Steven L. Corte
Trustee Beaumont A. Jefferson
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla

Staff present: Chrissy Kiernan, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Anna Vikse, Village Attorney
Joe Brillantino, Superintendent of Buildings
Phil Fulgieri, Superintendent of Public Works

Mayor Cavallaro opened the Meeting of the Board of Trustees at approximately 6:30PM with a verification of a quorum.

1. Resolution to Approve Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2026

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Abbatiello, it was RESOLVED to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2026, as prepared and distributed by Clerk-Treasurer Kiernan. The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

2. Appointment of Tara Fuentes as Clerk to the Justice

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, it was RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Tara Fuentes as Clerk to the Justice, effective March 23, 2026. The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

3. Nighttime Parking Enforcement

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Abbatiello, it was RESOLVED to approve the appointments of Guissepe Iadevaia and Albert Torres as part-time parking enforcement staff with the effective date pending approval by Nassau County Civil Service. The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

4. Approval of April Religious Processionals – St. Brigid Church

The Board reviewed an email request from St. Brigid Church requesting approval for certain religious processionals.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, it was RESOLVED to approve the following:

1. Thursday, April 2nd at 8:45pm (Holy Thursday Processional)
 - Starting at St. Brigid School down Maple to Post, Post south to St. Brigid’s Church
2. Friday, April 3rd at 5:15pm (Italian Community Outdoor Stations of the Cross)
 - Starting at St. Brigid’s Church through Breezy Hill reaching St. Brigid’s School at 7:00pm
 - Then from St. Brigid’s School down Maple to Post, Post south to St. Brigid’s Church ending at 8:30pm

The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

5. Resolution Regarding Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund

The Board hereby authorizes the Village Clerk/Treasurer to apply for a Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund Grant in the 2026-27 grant cycle in an amount up to \$100,000.00 for the purpose of Document Conversion and Access.

Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Trustee Quintanilla and seconded by Trustee Jefferson. The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro
Trustee Steven Corte
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla

6. Resolution Supporting Increased Aid to Municipalities and Strengthening New York State State-Local Partnership

WHEREAS, Governor Kathy Hochul released her 30-day amendments to the Executive Budget, which include an additional \$100 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance (TMA) to be allocated in the same manner as in the past two years; and

WHEREAS, these additional investments reflect a recognition that New York’s strength begins in its cities, villages, and towns, and that a strong state-local partnership is essential to delivering the services, infrastructure, public safety, and quality of life that residents expect and deserve; and

WHEREAS, local governments across New York continue to face mounting fiscal pressures driven by inflation, increased service demands, infrastructure needs, and rising operational costs, while striving to provide relief to taxpayers amid a rising cost of living; and

WHEREAS, NYCOM Executive Director Barbara Van Epps, along with mayors from across the State, testified at the Local Government Joint Budget Hearing in Albany, advocating for increased unrestricted aid and a strengthened state-local partnership; and

WHEREAS, the additional \$100 million in TMA will offer meaningful assistance to many municipalities statewide, helping to address fiscal challenges and maintain essential services for residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Westbury applauds Governor Hochul for recognizing the importance of investing in local governments and for reaffirming her commitment to strengthening New York’s cities and villages; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Westbury urges the New York State Legislature to include, at a minimum, this additional \$100 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance in the adopted state budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Westbury calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to develop a more permanent and predictable solution for unrestricted municipal aid to ensure long-term fiscal stability for New York’s local governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Temporary President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the members of the State Legislature representing the Village of Westbury.

Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Trustee Corte, and seconded by Trustee Quintanilla. The Board was polled, with all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro
Trustee Steven Corte
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla

7. Resolution to Amend Schedule 237-77 of the Vehicle and Traffic Code of the Village of Westbury

WHEREAS, Villages are authorized by Section 1640 of the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law to, inter alia, prohibit, restrict or limit the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles via local law, ordinance, order, rule or regulation; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees has recently approved an application for development of a 187-unit multifamily building at 353 Union Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Village and the Developer are working in concert with Nassau County Department of Public Works (“NCDPW”) to ensure that Union Avenue will remain safe for pedestrians and vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, NCDPW has recommended that parking along the north side of Union Avenue near the planned development be restricted; and

WHEREAS, the Board agrees that restricting parking in that area will make for a safer environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Westbury as follows:

1. Section 237-77 of the Vehicle and Traffic Code is hereby amended by adding the following streets to the Schedule:

In accordance with the provisions of §§ 237-22, 237-23 and 237-24, no person shall park, stop or stand a vehicle at any time upon any of the following described streets or parts thereof:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Union Avenue	North	From Sullivan's Lane to Linden Avenue From Post Avenue to Linden Avenue

2. The Superintendent of Public Works is directed to install signage that states “No Stopping

Any Time” in the required intervals along Union Avenue in the above locations.

3. The amendments made by this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon the proper signage being posted.

Motion was made by Trustee Corte for the adoption of the foregoing resolution, and seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, and the roll call for adoption resulted in the following:

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

8. Resolution Authorizing Mayor’s Execution of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Subrecipient Agreement between the County of Nassau and the Village of Westbury in the amount of \$625,000 for the 51st Year

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, it was RESOLVED to authorize the Mayor’s Execution of the Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Agreement between the County of Nassau and the Village of Westbury in the amount of \$625,000 for the 51st Year.

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

9. 2026-2027 Tentative Budget Discussion

The Board reviewed the Tentative Village Budget for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2026 and ending May 31, 2027. The tentative budget will be filed on or by March 20, 2026 in the Village office and available on the website.

10. Taco Bell Complaint

The Board reviewed a complaint from a resident regarding Taco Bell deliveries on non-permitted hours.

11. Wheatley Villa Signage

DPW will be placing the Wheatley Villa Signage as approved last meeting once the weather clears.

12. St. Francis Health Truck

Mayor Cavallaro reported that St. Francis will be providing a health truck to do different types of screenings outside the senior center next week.

13. BID Street Fair – May 30th

The BID is requesting approval for a roped off beer garden at the May 30th BID Street Fair. On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Corte, it was RESOLVED to approve the request pending the following conditions; (1) They will have the rope off the area, not let anyone in without ID under the age of 21; (2) Monitor Serving exiting and entrance and no alcohol permitted past the entranceway; (3) No self-service; (4) Certificates of Insurance naming the Village and the BID as additional insured; (5) Hold Harmless Agreement in favor of the Village; (6) Proof of Liquor License; and (7) Proof of Liquor Liability.

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

It was also noted that the Piazza would have local youth business craft booths.

14. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cavallaro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

15. Continuation – Public Hearing for the Special Use Application of Taco Bell

Michael Zapon, Partner, of Certilman Balin, appeared for the Applicant and requested an adjournment to March 19, 2026, pending deliverables that the Board is seeking in connection with the Special Use Application of Taco Bell. These include a site plan, lighting study, and sound study.

Mayor Cavallaro advised that the special use permit is expired and thus the business must revert to a 10pm close.

Mr. Zapon raised concerns of unsubstantiated complaints and noted that the business has cameras to verify deliveries and garbage pick-up which he stated are not being made during regulated hours.

Mayor Cavallaro then opened the meeting for public Comment.

Tony Smiles, 18 Albany Avenue, commented that the claims made by the attorney for compliance of delivery and garbage pick-up are untrue noting that on February 28th, the whole house shook at 1:05am.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Jefferson, the meeting was adjourned to Thursday, March 19, 2026.

16. Community Development Block (CDBG) Grant funding that may be allocated to the Village in the 52nd Year of the Nassau County Consortium with public input to follow

The Clerk read the meeting notice aloud:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Westbury will hold a public hearing at the Village Hall, 235 Lincoln Place, Westbury, New York, on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 7:30p.m. The Board will propose a program for the use of Community Development Block Grant funding that may be allocated to the Village in the 52nd year of the Nassau County Consortium.

At the Hearing, all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Mayor Cavallaro stated that the Village is very grateful for CDBG funding, which has in the past provided funds for paving and sidewalks in the Village, and operating funds for the Senior Citizens of Westbury. He then described the five areas of funding the Village will be pursuing for the 52nd Year, including Public Facilities and Improvements for Road Improvements in the amount of \$750,000; Sidewalks in the amount of \$50,000; Community Center Upgrades in the amount of \$500,000; Parking Lots – Madison #4, Belmont #6, Schenck #3 in the amount of \$568,404; and for Public Services for the Senior Citizens of Westbury in the amount of \$100,000. The total amount being sought is \$1,968,404.

Mayor Cavallaro opened the hearing for Board comments and questions, and hearing none, opening the hearing to public comment.

Chester McGibbon, 504 Alicia Drive, inquired as to how funding is allocated and whether we would include charging stations. Mayor Cavallaro responded that we target the money where it can be used based on criteria set forth by HUD. Charging stations are not currently covered by this type of grant. For projects that are not covered by CDBG funds, we look to other funding sources.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Jefferson, it was RESOLVED to close the public hearing. The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye

Trustee Pedro Quintanilla Aye

17. Resolution Approving the 52nd Year Community Development Block Grant Application

On motion by Trustee Corte, seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, it was RESOLVED to approve the 52nd Year Community Development Block Grant Application as presented. The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

18. MS4 Annual Report

For the Stormwater Management Program, the Village’s environmental engineers prepare a report in accordance with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (“MS4”). The purpose of the Village’s Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) is to reduce the number of pollutants discharged into the municipal stormwater system and to protect surface water quality to the maximum extent practical.

Mayor Cavallaro asked if anyone had questions on the final report for 2026.

Chester McGibbon, 504 Alicia Drive, inquired as to drainage and water testing.

Mayor Cavallaro responded with information regarding drainage from the report and read the following: “Streets & Street Drainage: The Village has 43.1 miles of roads. There are 3.2 miles of County Highways and 2.5 miles of State Highways within the Village. Road networks and drainage systems are interconnected. The Village drainage system consists of 20 miles of pipe, 892 catch basins, 364 manholes and 62 drywells. There are nine (9) County stormwater basins in the northern part of the Village between Northern State Parkway and Jericho Tpk. These basins handle the runoff from this part of the Village and do not discharge directly or indirectly to any waterbody.”

Trustee Abbatiello added that water quality is a function of the Water District, not the Storm Water Report. The water district is responsible for water quality issues and is required to test for things such as pfas, 1,4 chemicals and detergents and provide data to the state.

On motion by Trustee Abbatiello, seconded by Trustee Jefferson, it was RESOLVED to approve the report as presented. A copy of the report will be posted on the Village website and at the Westbury Library.

The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

19. Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of North Hempstead and the Incorporated Village of Westbury for the pass-through of grant funding from the County of Nassau with respect to 2025 youth programming services

Clerk-Treasurer Kiernan reported that the Town of North Hempstead provides a pass-through granting funding award that they receive from Nassau County for the Village’s youth programs.

After discussion, on motion by Trustee Jefferson, seconded by Trustee Quintanilla, it was RESOLVED to authorize Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro to execute the Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Town of North Hempstead for the purpose of pass-through youth program grant funding for 2025. The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

20. Village of Westbury NYS Consolidated Funding Application

The following Resolution was offered for adoption by Trustee Abbatiello:

WHEREAS, the Village of Westbury intends to apply for a grant through the New York State Parks Department utilizing the NYS Consolidated Funding Application; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees intends to upgrade the playgrounds and parks areas located at the Recreation Center and Alphonse Campbell Park; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Environmental Review Act (“SEQRA”), and its implementing regulations, the purchase of equipment is considered an unlisted action; and

WHEREAS, there will be no adverse environmental impacts associated with these projects, but only positive environmental impacts; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Inc. Village of Westbury that the Village Board of Trustees will act as Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a negative declaration is made with regard to SEQRA.

Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was seconded by Trustee Quintanilla and the roll call for adoption resulted in the following:

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

The Board was polled, all present voting “Aye” (5-0).

21. Board Reports

- a. Trustee Steven Corte
 - i. The 2026 Final Roll will be ready on April 1st in time for the 2026-2027 tax year.
 - ii. The Westbury Seniors have a Bingo Night on March 13, 2026.
 - iii. Westbury Seniors are sponsoring a trip to Ireland in April 2027. There is a 22-person minimum. It is open to the General Public. The cost is \$5,499.00
- b. Trustee Beaumont Jefferson
 - i. The Village Easter Egg Hunt will be March 28, 2026 at 10:00am with a rain date the following Saturday, April 4, 2026.
 - ii. On March 7, 2026 from 10-11:30am, we will have an Open House for the Westbury Summer Arts Program.
 - iii. Nassau County Police Report for February had 10 auto accidents, 2 of which were due to slippery pavements.
- c. Trustee Vincent Abbatiello
 - i. The Spring BID Street Fair is scheduled for Saturday, May 30, 2026. Come support our local businesses.
 - ii. The DPW did a great job with storms.
 - iii. Please clear fire hydrants adjacent to your home.
- d. Trustee Pedro Quintanilla
 - i. Audit and Claims – Trustee Quintanilla reviewed the Claims and Expenditures for the period for the period February, 20, 2026 through March 5, 2026 in the amount of \$114,454.22, of which, \$50,971.98 was from the capital fund, and \$63,482.24 was from the general fund.

Trustee Quintanilla made a motion to submit bills for payment, seconded by Trustee Jefferson. Motion to approve was passed. The Board was polled, all voting “Aye” (5-0).

Mayor Peter I. Cavallaro	Aye
Trustee Steven Corte	Aye
Trustee Beaumont Jefferson	Aye
Trustee Vincent Abbatiello	Aye
Trustee Pedro Quintanilla	Aye

ii. There is a Spelling Bee at the Middle School on Wednesday, March 11, 2026.

e. Mayor’s Report – Peter I. Cavallaro

i. Mayor Cavallaro reported that the Village of working on its budget for the next fiscal year. This year we are once again seeing rising healthcare/pension costs. We are working on grant opportunities. We receive minimal state aid, unlike schools which receive state aid increases annually. Long Island sends more money to Albany than we receive back.

ii. The Mayor also reported on new grant funds that the Village is receiving. We received a \$1 million grant for a new playground at the recreation complex on Post Avenue. We are requesting additional funds for a 2nd phase at Campbell Park (Powells Lane Park). We are monitoring the Governor’s Budget. We look at our allocation for AIM Funding (Aid for Municipalities) each year. We received Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding from the end of last year. We received another \$150,000 for park upgrades through CDBG. We have not rehabilitated the parks in 20-25 years. We are adding adult fitness equipment in Campbell Park.

iii. DPW did a great job with the snowstorm efforts for several tough storms.

14. Public Comment

a. Ms. Hudson raised concerns with snow plowing that created a large pile on her corner apron after shoveling (Queen/Duke Streets). Mayor Cavallaro responded that the Village does its best efforts in storms and we have to push the snow out of the streets. He apologized for the inconvenience as we are not looking to plow people into their homes.

b. Chester McGibbon inquired as to the date of the street fair. Trustee Abbatiello replied that it will be May 30th. Mr. McGibbon also inquired as to hardcopies of the tentative budget. Mayor Cavallaro replied that they would be made available in the Village Office on March 18th.

c. Nick, a reporter from the LI Press asked a question about the Community Development Block Grant specific uses. Mayor Cavallaro responded that they cover specific categories like roads, sidewalks, community center upgrades, and senior programming. Nick also inquired as to whether the Taco Bell would close at 10pm. Mayor Cavallaro explained that the special use permit expired and thus the business must return to its original condition of closing at 10pm.

On a motion duly seconded, the Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Submitted by: Chrissy Kiernan

Chrissy Kiernan, Village Clerk-Treasurer