

MINUTES OF LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

May 12, 2014 7:00 pm.

- I. Call to order. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Venturi.
- II. Roll Call. In attendance Supervisor Venturi, Trustee Beadle, Trustee Berker, Trustee McCollum, Trustee Stout and Clerk Smuda. Highway Commissioner Jorgensen, Assessor Lee was also in attendance.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance. Led by Supervisor Venturi.
- IV. Approval of Minutes. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting April 8, 2014, Budget Hearing April 15, 2015 and Special Meeting April 15, 2014 by Trustee McCollum, seconded by Trustee Berker. All ayes, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - A. West Campus. Apple Tree would like to renew their lease for next year. Assessor Lee has never experience any distribution from the students who attend Apple Tree. Supervisor Venturi would like the school to reduce their footprint when classes are not in session, he would like to offer Apple Tree another room to store their equipment, the rent is set at \$200.00 per week, will consider raising rent with the use of a storage room.
 - B. Dering Park. Supervisor Venturi presented the board with a proposal form Superior Paving in the amount of \$19,440.00 for paving by the Cold Storage Building. Trustee McCollum would like to see at least two more bids on the project before action is taken. No action taken.
 - C. Tiny's Park. Lake Villa Timberwolves presented the board with a proposal to build a "Cheer Pad" in the amount of \$35,640.00. Supervisor Venturi has concerns about the cost, fence and the four foot drop off. Trustee McCollum would like to see drainage be addressed around the Cheer Pad before action is taken. President Mike Schultz will be happy to discuss changes and drainage. Proposal was tabled by Supervisor Venture for further discussion with the Lake Villa Timberwolves association.
 - D. Peacock Camp. Summer Camp registration is under way; we have 14 campers registered to date. Supervisor Venturi presented the board with a proposal to from Superior Paving in the amount of \$18,600.00 for a parking lot expansion in the gravel parking area. Trustee McCollum would like to see another estimate from a few more companies, Supervisor Venturi agreed. No action was taken at this time.
 - E. Discussion and possible action regarding approving final annexation agreement with Village of Lake Villa for Dering Park Property. Motion to approve final annexation agreement by Trustee McCollum, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VI. New Business.
 - A. Discussion and possible action regarding setting Lake Villa Township and Lake Villa Township Highway Dept. Budget and Appropriation Ordinance public hearing for June 9, 2014 preceding the regular meeting. . Motion to approve June 9, 2014 Meeting Schedule by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - B. Electricity Aggregation Update. A letter was sent out to all the residence stating we were not able to secure a good bid, we did not know what

ComEd rates. We now know ComEd summers rate will be 7.5 and McSquare is offering 6.7 to any homeowner who would like to sign up for that rate if they sign up within 60 days of receiving the letter from the Township. Supervisor Venture's plan is to go out for bid again next summer to see if we could offer a better rate than ComEd.

- C. Discussion and possible action regarding support for milfoil treatment of Crooked Lake. Supervisor Venturi, Last year the Township contributed \$1,500.00 to Crooked Lake Management for Milfoil treatment and fish stocking Motion to approve a contribution of \$1,500 to Crooked Lake Management for Milfoil treatment and fish stocking made by Trustee McCollum, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VII. Approve Payment of Bills.
 - A. Approve payment of current Town and Road district bills. Motion to approve payment of Town and Road District bills, motion made by Trustee Beadle, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - B. Approve payroll payments from last meeting. Motion to approve payroll payments from last meeting made by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee McCollum. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VIII. Public Comment. Resident Dom Scardina, 68 Balsam Ave. Lake Villa voiced his concerns over his high tax bill. Suggested abolishing Township Government, Villages and merge with Lindenhurst. Assessor Lee explained that the Township represents only 4% of his real estate tax bill, 70% of your tax dollars goes to support schools. County Board commissions Tom Weber reported that the County is in the process of updating all the building codes, last year he voted against raising the tax levy. Commissioner Weber agreed with Mr. Scardina, taxes are high and the only way taxes will come down is if the State finds a new revenue source for school funding.
- IX. Assessor Report. Senior residents are coming in the office for help senior exemptions; he would like get senior exemption formation out to all seniors thought the Township e-newsletter. Working to revalue 2014 problem areas.
- X. Road Commissioner Report. With the MFT we are going to pave Old Monaville Road and Eagle Creek Road, we are going to drain Columbia Bay Road and re-pave that area
- XI. Supervisors Report. Food Pantry received 15 mail carts of foods from the Saturday May 10th Mail Carrier Food drive, Lake Villa Memorial Day Paraded, May 26, 2014.
- XII. Calendar Review.
 - A. Next meeting will be Monday, June 9, 2014
- XIII. Executive Session. None.
- XIV. Motion to adjourn the regular board meeting, by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Berker. All ayes, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Minutes of the May 12, 2014, Lake Villa Township Regular Board Meeting have been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on June 9, 2014, by Jean Smuda, Lake Villa Township Clerk.