

LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2025
37908 N. Fairfield Rd. Lake Villa, IL 60046
6:00 pm.

- I. Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Venturi at 6:00pm
- II. Roll call: In Attendance, Supervisor Venturi, Trustee Berker, Trustee Stout, Trustee Coia, Trustee Johnson, Highway Commissioner Jim Jorgensen, Assessor Jeff Lee, Clerk Jean Smuda
- III. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Supervisor Venturi
- IV. Approval of Minutes: Motion of approve minutes of the regular board meeting of Monday, February 10, 2025 by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Coia. All in favor, non-opposed, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning Lake Villa Township Community Park project
 - i. Progress update: Supervisor Venturi reported he is working with the septic contractor and Health department to scale down the size of the septic field with a saving to the Township from the original plan.
 - b. Discussion and possible action concerning Township newsletter: A copy of the Spring/Summer newsletter draft was presented to the board for review and comments, the concert dates need to be added. The Spring/Summer newsletter will be mailed out March 1, 2025.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning Peacock Summer Camp
 - i. Summer Camp Rates: Motion to approve the Camp rates for Peacock Summer Camp be set at \$200.00 for Residents and \$220.00 for non-residents by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - ii. Camp Counselor pay rates: Motion to approve pay rate for counselor's salary: New Hire 15/Hour, Returning Raise .25/year, Lifeguard Certification extra 1/Hour, High Ropes Certification extra 1/Hour, 2 Certifications extra 1.50/Hour, Specialty Teacher 20/Hour by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Coia. Roll Call, all aye, motion passes.
 - b. Discussion and possible action concerning transition of Waste Hauler to LRS: LRS waste & recycling service will begin Thursday, May 1, 2025. LRS flyer that will be sent out to the residence of the township was presented to the board for review. No action was taken.
- VII. Approve Payment of Bills
 - a. Approve payment of current Town and Road district bills: Motion to approve the payment of current Town and Road district bills by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.

- b. Approve payroll payments from last meeting: Motion to approve the payroll payments from last meeting by Trustee Coia, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.

VIII. Public Comment: Mr. Theodore M. Livengood Jr. presented a copy of his FOIA Request to all the board members, Clerk Smuda, Assessor Lee and Highway Commission Jorgensen. Mr. Livengood Jr. asked Supervisor Venturi: When you cut the size of the septic for the park project who made that determination and when you make an adjustment on a program or a project that is being designed does the board need to vote? Supervisor Venturi made the determination, he met with Bill Malin and decided the septic size was a little too excessive from the design. The board does not need to vote on every step, the Supervisor can make the decisions. When we go out for bid for the septic field the board will vote on the contract, tonight we are discussing design not contract. The Township did not make a change to the Waste Management contract, the flyer presented to the board tonight is advertising the contract the Township already has.

IX. Assessors Report: Assessor Lee presented the board with a copy of his "2025 Lake Villa Township Assessor's Budget Request" for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2025 and ending March 31, 2026. 2024 Budget, 393,750.00, 2025 Budget 415,650.00, difference 21, 900.00, percent 5.6%, going up mostly because of insurance costs. Office is working on renewing exemptions for the residence. Preparing for field work when the weather allows. Working with the county map department to do a change detection report to make sure we are actually assessing the characteristics of their property. Discussed this year's equalization factors.

X. Road Commissioners Report: Road Commissioner Jorgensen reported easy clean-up on the roads, getting ready for the Wed through Saturday snow clean up and salting the roads.

XI. Supervisors Report: Supervisor Venturi reported the St. Patrick's Day senior luncheon will be held on Friday, March 14, 2025 @ 12:00pm, St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2025. The Lake Villa Historical Society is hosting a "History of Lake Villa Township" on Saturday, Feb 15, 2025 at Peacock Camp. Possible contest with the community to design a "Township Flag".

XII. Calendar Review

- a. Next meeting Monday, March 10, 2025 @ 6:00 pm

XIII. Closed Session: None

XIV. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn regular board meeting by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Meeting adjourned a 6:35 pm.

Minutes of the February 10, 2025 Lake Villa Township regular board meeting has been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on Monday, March 10, 2025 by Jean Smuda, Clerk.