

LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes, March 9, 2026
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 (Via conference call), 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 February 9, 2026 by Trustee Coia, seconded by Trustee Johnson. All in favor, non-opposed, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning Lake Villa Community Park project: Supervisor Venturi reported that the cement work for the pickleball courts is scheduled to begin in April, weather permitting. Additionally, the siding for the concession stand has been ordered.
 - b. Discussion and possible action concerning adjustments to employee wages: Motion to approve the employee Wage adjustments as revised by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Coia. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning budget line-item transfer for Lake Villa Township: Motion to approve the Township line item transfer Resolution #26-02 as presented by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - b. Discussion and possible action concerning budget line-item transfer for Lake Villa Township Highway Department: Motion to approve the Township Highway Department line item transfer Resolution #26-03 as presented by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Coia. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - c. Discussion and possible action concerning the agenda for the Annual Town meeting: Motion to approve the April 14, 2026 Annual Town Meeting agenda as amended/presented by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Johnson. All in favor, non-opposed, motion passes.
- 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 as amended by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - b. Approve payroll payments from last meeting: Motion to approve the payroll payments from last meeting by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VIII. Public Comment: There are no members of the public in attendance.
- IX. Assessors Report Commissioners: Assessor Lee reported that this marks the beginning of their busy season, with preparations underway for the 2026 assessment cycle. Staff are currently working on exemptions for veterans, individuals with disabilities, and seniors regarding assessment freezes. The senior assessment freeze has been increased to \$75,000 per household. Subject to favorable weather conditions, fieldwork will

commence soon. Additionally, a project is in progress to enhance the input processes for industrial and commercial data.

- X. Road Commissioners Report: Commissioner Jorgensen reported that his team is currently performing leaf collection throughout the township, having collected eight trailers of leaves so far. Additionally, he noted that street signs in his area (Helen and Morton Drive) are being tagged with graffiti related to gang activity.
- XI. Supervisors Report: Supervisor Venturi announced that the St. Patrick's Day Senior Lunch is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at the West Campus. The new photo booth will be available during the luncheon. The Village of Lake Villa St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. Volunteers are being sought to walk with the township during the parade. Additionally, the township received a dividend check from TOIRMA (Township Officials of Illinois Risk Management Association) in the amount of \$14,006.00. Trustee Coia requested the web-site be updated to include the Township 2025 newsletters.
- XII. Calendar Review
 - a. Next meeting Tuesday, April 14, 2026 @ 6:00 pm
- XIII. Closed Session: None
- XIV. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn regular board meeting by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Minutes of the March 9, 2026 Lake Villa Township regular board meeting has been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 by Jean Smuda, Clerk.