

VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST
2301 E Sand Lake Road

Regular Village Board Meeting Minutes
June 23, 2025
7:00pm

I. Call to Order

- A. Mayor Marturano called the Regular Village Board Meeting to order at 7:00pm.

II. Roll Call

- A. Present were Mayor Dominic Marturano, Trustees Pat Dickson, Patty Chybowski, Dawn Suchy, Heath Rosten, and Ron Grace.
- B. Absent was Trustee Pat Dunham.
- C. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Clay Johnson, Village Attorney Julie Tappendorf, Sergeant William Splitt in for Chief Linas, Operations Director Kevin Klahs, Assistant to the Village Administrator Karleen Gernady, and Village Clerk Melissa Forsberg.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting of May 12, 2025, as well as the minutes from the Special Village Board Meeting of February 19, 2025 were presented for approval.
- B. Trustee Dickson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting of May 12, 2025 with correction noted, and Special Village Board Meeting of February 19, 2025 as presented.
1. Voice Vote
Aye - 5
Nay - 0
Abstain - 0
Motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. April
1. Trustee Suchy read the Treasurer's Report for April 2025. The total for all accounts on April 30, 2025 was \$16,242,434.60.
 2. Trustee Grace made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2025 as read.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

- B. May
 - 1. Trustee Suchy read the Treasurer's Report for May 2025. The total for all accounts on May 31, 2025 was \$16,828,015.26.
 - 2. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the Treasurer's Report for May 2025 as read.
 - a. Roll Call
 - Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
 - Nay – 0

VI. Bills Presented for Payment

- A. Confirmation of Emergency Payments
 - 1. Trustee Dickson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to confirm the emergency payments from May 13, 2025 thru June 6, 2025 in the amount of \$223,173.28.
 - 2. Roll Call
 - Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
 - Nay – 0
- B. Voucher Register from 05/13/25-06/13/25
 - 1. Trustee Dickson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the first set of bills for the month of June presented for payment in the amount of \$889,148.33 for invoices due on or before June 23, 2025.
 - 2. Roll Call
 - Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
 - Nay – 0

VII. Board & Staff Reports

- A. Trustee Dickson spoke about the following:
 - 1. Regardless of an individuals feelings pertaining to the recent bombings in Iran, Trustee Dickson commended the Air Force and their strike crew, while hoping for the safety of our military.
 - 2. The Lakes Commission will have an informational table at the Food Truck Extravaganza as well as a float in the Lindenfest Parade.
- B. Trustee Grace inquired if we have been approached by the Lake County Health Department about establishing "A Way Out" program. Administrator Johnson informed Trustee Grace the Police Department had been approached about one year ago. He will follow-up with Chief Linas.
- C. Mayor Marturano discussed the following:
 - 1. Thank you to those involved with the Cops on a Rooftop Fundraiser.

2. Thank you to all involved with Cops & Bobbers, which was held with the Lindenhurst Park District.
 3. Thank you to the Veterans Memorial Commission for hosting our Memorial Day Ceremony. Received a lot of positive feedback from the community.
 4. Sends his condolences to the family of Ken Funk, a long time member of the Lakes Commission.
 5. Condolences to the family of Phil Rovang. Phil had recently stepped down from the Veterans Memorial Commission and was serving out the rest of his term on the Planning Commission.
- D. Sergeant William Splitt conveyed the following information about the Flock Safety Cameras:
1. Are installed and functioning.
 2. All Officers have been trained in their use.
 3. The cameras can be accessed with a desktop computer or the computer in squad cars.
 4. Alerts are sent to squad phones.
- E. Assistant to the Village Administrator Karleen Long spoke about the next Food Truck Extravaganza to be held on August 3, 2025, from 11:30am-2:30pm.

VIII. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- A. None.

IX. New Business

- A. Advise & Consent: Mayoral Appointments
1. Mayor Marturano recommended the following appointments:
 - a. Mr. John Muellner to serve on the Veterans Memorial Commission. If approved, the term would begin immediately and run thru April 30, 2027.
 - b. Mr. Stephen Buck to serve on the Lakes Commission. If approved, the term would begin immediately and run thru April 30, 2026.
 2. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to consent to the appointment of John Muellner to the Veterans Memorial Commission for a term ending April 30, 2027 and Stephen Buck to the Lakes Commission for a term ending April 30, 2026.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- B. Ordinance 25-6-2319: Authorizing the disposal of surplus property.
1. Village departments have identified pieces of equipment, tools, and other property that is no longer functioning, obsolete, or no longer needed. Items that retain resale value will be sent to auction, while the other items will be destroyed or disposed.
 2. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dickson to adopt Ordinance 25-6-2319 authorizing the disposal of items as listed on Exhibit A.

- a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- C. Ordinance 25-6-2320: Dissolving Special Service Area #4
1. Special Service Area #4 was approved in 1997 to help facilitate the development of the Falling Waters subdivision. Funds from SSA #4 were primarily to help with the installation of storm sewers and water mains. However, the bonds created also allowed assistance for the construction of sidewalks, street lights, etc. All funds have been utilized and improvements completed and funded.
 2. Trustee Dickson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski to adopt Ordinance 25-6-2320 dissolving Special Service Area #4 and closing the related fund within the Village's chart of accounts.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- D. Resolution 25-6-2322R: Authorizing the Transfer of Funds
1. The Village Board will transfer excess cash from Operational Funds to Capital Project Funds, which allows the Village to fund new capital projects.
 2. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Grace to adopt Resolution 25-6-2322R authorizing the transfer of certain fund balances in accordance with fiscal policy.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- E. Grand Avenue Landscaping and Signage Design Proposal
1. The adoption of the Grand Avenue Streetscape and Design Guidelines has been completed. Staff now requests approval moving forward with the landscape and signage elements of the plan. Although landscaping and signage are some of the lower cost items of the study, they do provide the greatest return on investment. Additionally, this will provide continued momentum of the Grand Avenue corridor developments, as well as falling within our Strategic Plan.
 2. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dickson to authorize the Village Administrator to execute a proposal from Teska Associates for the design of landscaping and signage along Grand Avenue at a cost not to exceed \$35,760.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

- F. **Non-Bargaining Personnel Compensation Study - MGT, Inc.**
1. A Request for Proposal was issued on May 12, 2025 via our website, as well as an ad being placed in the Daily Herald for those interested in submitting a proposal to conduct a compensation study. This study is for 28 non-bargaining agreement positions included in our current pay plan.
 2. One proposal was received by MGT, who recently led our executive search for a new Chief of Police.
 3. Their proposal demonstrates their understanding of our scope of work, and would provide the information necessary to modernize our pay plan. This would secure our competitiveness with the larger municipal government marketplace.
 4. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to authorize the Village Administrator to execute a proposal from MGT, Inc for a compensation study for non-bargaining personnel in an amount not to exceed \$16,575.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

X. **Public Comment**

- A. None.


XI. **Executive Session**

- A. Mayor Marturano informed the Board and Public that the purpose of the Executive Session was to perform a statutorily required review of prior Executive Session meeting minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) - statutorily required review of prior executive session minutes. No formal action will be taken when the Regular Board Meeting reconvenes. Recommendations will be addressed at a subsequent Board Meeting.
- B. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to move into Executive Session to review prior Executive Session meeting minutes pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
 1. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- C. The regular Village Board meeting moved out of regular session at 7:38pm.
- D. The Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 7:44pm.

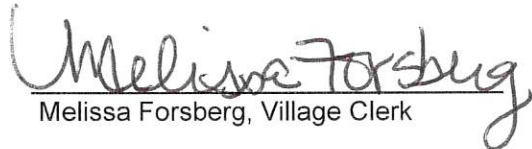
XII. Adjournment

- A. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to adjourn the meeting.
 - 1. Voice Vote
 - Aye - 5
 - Nay - 0
 - Motion carried.
 - 2. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

Date approved 7-28-2025



Dominic Marturano, Mayor



Melissa Forsberg, Village Clerk

