

VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST
2301 E Sand Lake Road

Regular Village Board Meeting Minutes
July 28, 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, Pat Dunham, Patty Chybowski, Dawn Suchy, and Ron Grace.
- B. Absent was Trustee Heath Rosten
- C. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Clay Johnson, Village Attorney Julie Tappendorf Sergeant William Splitt in for Police Chief Melinda Linas, Superintendent of Public Works Charles Hernandez, Assistant to the Village Administrator Karleen Long, and Village Clerk Melissa Forsberg.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting of June 23, 2025 were presented for approval.
- B. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski, to approve the minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting of June 23, 2025 as presented.
1. Voice Vote
Aye - 5
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. Trustee Dunham read the Treasurer's Report for June 2025. The total for all accounts on June 30, 2025 was \$17,252,110.59.
- B. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dickson, to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2025 as read.
1. Roll Call
Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Grace
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

VI. Bills Presented for Payment

- A. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to approve the second set of bills for the month of July presented for payment in the amount of \$847,973.37 for invoices due on or before July 28, 2025.
1. Roll Call
Aye – 5 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Grace
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

VII. Board & Staff Reports

- A. Trustee Grace spoke about the increase in response to the E-newsletter, as well as the increased usage of our facebook account. Some of this increase can be attributed to current activities and the new license plate reader cameras.
- B. Trustee Dunham reminded everyone about the upcoming Lindenfest festival to be held August 22, 23, and 24.
- C. Trustee Dickson reported the Lakes Commission will have an informational table at the upcoming Food Truck Extravaganza.
- D. Mayor Marturano announced the following:
1. The Lindenfest Parade line-up would be at 10:00am on August 23, 2025.
 2. The Lakes High School Homecoming Parade will be September 10, 2025, with line-up at 5:00pm.
 3. State Treasurer Michael Frerich's attended a luncheon with local Mayors. His office manages a program for unclaimed property.
 4. Had lunch with Congressman Brad Schneider discussing topics such as our TIF district, Lindenhurst Center, our business incentive program, the interest in building new townhomes, credit card fraud, and more.
 5. Will be meeting with a working group to discuss the potential merger of Metra, RTA, and Pace.
- E. Village Administrator Clay Johnson discussed the following:
1. Citizen Academy sign-up is coming to an end. It will run for 8 weeks, after Labor Day, on Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm.
 2. Starting July 31, 2025 through August 4, 2025, we are converting our BS&A financial software to the cloud. During this transition time, we will be unable to process payments. However, we can accept check payments, but they will not be processed until the transition is complete.
 3. There is no news pertaining to the completion of the Lake Shore project. Staff has continued to reach to involved parties, but there has been no new information in the last couple weeks.

- F. Sergeant William Splitt announced two more Flock cameras have been installed.
- G. Assistant to Village Administrator Karleen Long reminded everyone the Food Truck Extravaganza is Sunday, August 3, 2025.
- H. Superintendent of Public Works Charles Hernandez announced the following:
 - 1. Two staff members have earned their certification to be Wastewater Operators.
 - 2. Attended a Touch-A-Truck event at the Spectrum.
 - 3. Provided a tour to the Branch and Regional Manager, as well as the Chief Executive from Phoenix, AZ of USA Bluebook, a supplier of equipment and supplies for water and wastewater treatment plants. They wished to discuss why there is a decline in supply orders.
 - 4. Public Works attended the "Patriots 2 Golf Outing". Seven different public works communities attended.

VIII. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- A. None.

IX. New Business

- A. Resolution 25-7-2323R: Approving and Making a Determination on Executive Session Meeting Minutes and Verbatim Recordings
 - 1. A semi-annual review of executive session minutes for potential release to the public was conducted. The minutes identified in the resolution are the only executive session minutes recommended for approval of content and release.
 - 2. Trustee Grace made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dunham to adopt Resolution 25-7-2323R approving and making a determination on executive session minutes and verbatim recordings.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowsky, Suchy, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- B. Ordinance 25-7-2324: Amending title XI of the Lindenhurst Code Regarding Municipal Grocery Taxes
 - 1. In 2024, Governor Pritzker signed Public Act 103-781, which eliminates the 1% sales tax allocated to local government. Unless individual municipalities choose to re-enact the tax into their jurisdictions, the expiration of the tax is to begin January 1, 2026. Per the Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) guidelines, in order to avoid any lapse in the 1% sales tax revenues, individual municipalities must establish the tax by October 2025.
 - 2. As of June 4, 2025, the following communities have adopted a local grocery tax:

Bannockburn	Grayslake	Hainesville
Hawthorn Woods	Highwood	Kildeer
Lake Zurich	Park City	Buffalo Grove
Deer Park	Antioch	Barrington
 - 3. For Lindenhurst, the loss of the grocery sales tax is estimated to be \$96,000-\$108,000 annually based on an analysis of sales tax receipts provided by the IDOR.

4. Adding to the complicatedness of the grocery tax debate, this law also allows non-home rule municipalities to enact a sales tax on all eligible goods by ordinance, rather than by referendum.
 5. Although not drastically affecting our day-to-day operations, the loss of this revenue would largely affect the sales tax allocated to capital projects by half. This would then hinder funding to our capital program, including our road program.
 6. At the July 10, 2025 Finance Committee meeting, after much debate, voted 2-0, with one abstention to recommend the local establishment of the grocery sales tax. Committee Members cited improvement of our roadways, as well as, this not being an action that was decided by the municipality, but rather, something the State imposed as reasons to leave the tax as is.
 7. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dunham to adopt Ordinance 25-7-2324 amending Title XI of the Lindenhurst Village Code regarding municipal grocery taxes.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 3 Trustees Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy
Nay - 3 Trustees Dickson, Grace, and Mayor Marturano
Motion does not carry.
- C. Approval: Facility Use Agreement Between the Village of Lindenhurst and Lindenfest, Inc.
1. As a means to reduce the risk and liability to the Village, a formalized agreement was put in place in 2023 for Lindenfest Inc's use of Village property by limiting access to the general public.
 2. The agreement has been updated to reflect the 2025 dates. All other terms of the agreement have remained the same.
 3. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Grace to authorize the execution of a facility use agreement with Lindenfest, Inc.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- D. Approval: 2025 Pavement Patching Program - Chicagoland Paving - \$94,653.50
1. The Village received one bid from Chicagoland Paving during the bid process for this years pavement patching program. In previous years, the Village has bid this service through the Municipal League with other municipalities. Unfortunately, due to some problems with Schroeder Asphaltting, we chose to bid out independently.
 2. Approximately 3000 square feet of asphalt milling and overlay, along with full-depth patching is to be completed on Fairfield, Hillcrest, Jasmine, Merganser, Falling Waters Way, and Falling Waters Boulevard.
 3. Staff requests the budgeted amount be authorized, which would include a contingency allowance for the contracted work.
 4. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dickson to authorize the execution of a service agreement with Chicagoland Paving in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, including contingency funds.

- a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

E. Approval: Salt Dome Door Replacement - Overhead Door of Lake and McHenry Counties - \$21,840

- 1. The Public Works salt dome doors have become non-operational. The FY 2026 budget included monies for their replacement.
- 2. In lieu of replacing with the same sliding door system, staff recommends replacing with a mechanized roll-up door system. This would make access to salt easier and quicker, and minimal changes would be required to the existing door frame.
- 3. Two vendors knowledgeable in this type of door system were contacted for the proposed work. One quote was under budget, while the other was over budget. Staff requests moving forward with Overhead Door of Lake and McHenry Counties, who submitted the less of the two quotes.
- 4. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to authorize the execution of a service agreement with Overhead Door of Lake and McHenry Counties in an amount not to exceed \$21,840.

- a. Roll Call
Aye - 6 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

X. **Public Comment**

- A. None.

XI. **Executive Session**


- A. None

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 7:52pm.

Date approved

8.11.2025



Dominic Marturano, Mayor



Melissa Forsberg, Village Clerk

