

VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST
2301 E Sand Lake Road

Regular Village Board Meeting Minutes
August 11, 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 Dunham, Patty Chybowski, Dawn Suchy, Heath Rosten, and Ron Grace.
- B. Absent was Trustee Pat Dickson
- C. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Clay Johnson, Village Attorney Julie Tappendorf, Police Chief Melinda Linas, Operations Director Kevin Klahs, 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 July 28, 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 July 28, 2025 as presented.
1. Voice Vote
Aye - 5
Nay - 0
Abstain - 0
Motion carried.

V. Treasurer's Report

- A. Trustee Dunham read the Treasurer's Report for July 2025. The total for all accounts on July 31, 2025 was \$17,598,688.74.
- B. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the Treasurer's Report for July 2025 as read.
1. Roll Call
Aye – 5 Trustees Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay – 0
Motion carried.

VI. Bills Presented for Payment

- A. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski, to approve the first set of bills for the month of August presented for payment in the amount of \$1,281,954.31 for invoices due on or before August 11, 2025.
 - 1. Roll Call
 - Aye – 5 Trustees Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
 - Nay – 0
- Motion carried.

VII. Board & Staff Reports

- A. Trustee Dunham reminded everyone Lindenfest is August 22, 23, 24.
- B. Mayor Marturano discussed the following:
 - 1. Apologized for the partisan comments made at the July 28, 2025 board meeting when discussing the grocery tax.
 - 2. Lakes High School Homecoming Parade is September 10, 2025 at 5:30pm.
 - 3. Expressed appreciation to everyone involved with the annual Food Truck Extravaganza.
 - 4. Recognized all those involved with our first National Night Out event.
 - 5. The Village completed the EV Readiness program and earned the Bronze designation. This program is sponsored by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and ComEd.
- C. Village Administrator Clay Johnson provided information on the following:
 - 1. Additional information about the EV readiness program.
 - 2. The new America 250 committee had an initial meeting to discuss the initiative.
 - 3. Lake Shore Drive update: the Village learned on August 8, 2025 a new contractor has been awarded the project. Paperwork has been submitted to the Illinois Department of Transportation. As of yet, we do not have a start date. All this information has been shared on the Village webpage.
- D. Police Chief Melinda Linas supplied feedback for:
 - 1. National Night Out was a well attended event for our first. Chief Linas and Officers appreciate all the community support.
 - 2. With back-to-school approaching please be mindful of children and be cautious when driving.
 - 3. Shawn White is diligently working on getting the word out about our Elderly Residents in Need (ERIN) program, while also recruiting new volunteers.
- E. Assistant to Village Administrator Karleen Long discussed the EV readiness program and the steps taken to earn the designation.

VIII. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- A. None.

IX. New Business

- A. Presentation: Smart or NFC Identification and Business Cards
1. Staff discussed the concept of combining paper business cards and identification cards into one smart business card.
 2. Smart business cards use "near field communication" (NFC). Essentially you "tap" the card as you would a credit card. The recipient would receive the same information a traditional paper business would provide, while also having the ability to provide additional information the Village deemed relevant. Additionally, issuing this one card would alleviate the need to carry both a business card and an identification card.
 3. An overview of the NFC business card was discussed, along with how the technology functions.
 4. It was the consensus of the Board to have staff move forward with the NFC card.
- B. Approval: Fairfield Road Storm Drain Installation Project - Sondag Services - \$13,600
1. To help alleviate flooding, the Village obtained the property at 2108 Fairfield. Unfortunately, the property is still affected by ponding after a heavy rainfall. In many cases, this then prevents the property from being mowed.
 2. Extending 155' of storm drains into the property has been recommended by Public Works. The Village received three bids, with Sondag Services being the lowest.
 3. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to award the bid for the Fairfield Road Storm Drain Installation Project to Sondag Services in an amount not to exceed \$13,600.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- C. Approval: Excess Lagoon Resurfacing - Prestige Paving - \$68,250
1. Resurfacing the basin area of the lagoon was included in our FY 2026 budget.
 2. Currently, weeds are protruding through the joints that have separated and requires labor intensive removal to maintain.
 3. Due to the nature of the work, Prestige Paving was the only company to respond to our solicitation. Although their bid came in over budget, the overage can be attributed to the fluctuating cost of asphalt.
 4. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dunham to waive the competitive bid requirements and award the excess lagoon resurfacing project to Prestige Paving in an amount of \$68,250.
 - a. Roll Call
Aye - 5 Trustees Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- D. Motion to Reconsider: Ordinance 25-7-2324 - Municipal Grocery Tax
1. Trustee Grace made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dunham, to add Ordinance 25-7-2324 amending Title 11 regarding Municipal Grocery Tax be added to the next Agenda for the Village of Lindenhurst Board meeting of August 25, 2025.

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

X. **Public Comment**

- A. A resident expressed his concerns about ongoing parking and road usage issues along the detour routes located in the Sprucewood construction area. Affected areas mentioned were: Witchwood Lane, Rolling Ridge Lane, Brook Lane, and Laurel Drive.

XI. **Executive Session**

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- B. Mayor Marturano informed the Board and Public that the purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss the purchase or lease of real estate for use by the public body pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). No formal action will be taken when the Regular Board Meeting reconvenes. Any recommendations will be addressed at a subsequent Board Meeting.

- C. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy to move into Executive Session to discuss the purchase or lease of real estate for use by the public body pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

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

- D. The regular Village Board meeting moved out of regular session at 7:35pm.

- E. The Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 8:02 pm.

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 8:03pm.

Date approved 8-25-2025

Patrick J. Dunham
Dominic Marturano, Mayor

Patrick J. Dunham
Mayor Pro-TEM

Melissa Forsberg
Melissa Forsberg, Village Clerk

