



VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST
Regular Village Board Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2026
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, Heath Rosten, and Ron Grace.
- b. Village Administrator Clay Johnson, Village Attorney Greg Jones, Police Chief Melinda Linas, Operations Director Kevin Klahs, 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 July 13, 2026 were presented for approval.
- b. Mayor Marturano noted a few spelling corrections required under "Public Comment."
- c. Trustee Chybowski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Suchy, to approve the minutes from the Regular Village Board Meeting of July 13, 2026 with noted corrections.
 - i. Voice Vote
 - Aye - 5
 - Nay - 0
 - Abstain - 1
 - Motion carried.

V. Bills Presented for Payment

- a. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Dickson, to approve the second set of bills for the month of July presented for payment in the amount of \$850,748.36 for invoices due on or before July 27, 2026.

- i. Roll Call
Aye – 6 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay – 0

VI. Board & Staff Reports

- a. Oath of Office:
 - i. Mayor Marturano swore in the following Officers:
 - (1) Officer Jessica Leiti
 - (2) Officer Michael Goers
- b. FY 2025-2026 Annual Operational Report
 - i. Village Administrator Johnson provided a summary of the 2025-2026 Operational Report.
- c. Trustee Rosten recently served as a substitute for the Box Exchange program. Thank you to Trustee Dickson for starting the program. He received quite a few compliments from people near and far about the benefits of the program.
- d. Trustee Dunham reminded everyone Lindenfest will start in 11 days.
- e. Trustee Dickson thanked Trustee Rosten for supporting the Box Exchange while he was out of town. He also wanted to thank the residents that cleaned up his shoreline from the recent fish kill, while he was out of town.
- f. Mayor Marturano spoke on the following:
 - i. Provided a summary of the recently attended Lakes Commission meeting, in which the fish kill of Lake Linden was discussed.
 - ii. Lindenfest is quickly approaching.
- g. Chief Melinda Linas discussed the following:
 - i. Was happy to see the swearing in of Officer Leiti and Officer Goers. They have been with us for about one month now.
 - ii. Due to some unexpected personnel changes and pending retirements, beginning August 1, 2026, we will be partnering with the Lake County Sheriff's Department during the overnight hours. They will be supplementing manpower during these hours. This means residents may see Lake County Sheriff Officers, Lindenhurst Officers, or both during the overnight hours, until we continue to onboard new officers. A short list will be provided tomorrow for new and lateral hires. This is a short term measure meant to maintain the high level of public safety.
 - iii. This coming Tuesday is our second annual National Night Out.
- h. Assistant to the Village Administrator Karleen Long spoke about the upcoming Food Truck Extravaganza to be held this Sunday from 11:30am-2:30pm. She also provided information for Monday's launch of SeeClickFix, our new service request system.

- i. Operations Director Kevin Klahs spoke about McCloud's manual removal on Lake Linden this week.

VII. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- a. None.

VIII. New Business

- a. Ordinance 26-7-2344: Amending Section 111.20 of the Village Code to increase the Number of Class B Liquor Licenses by One - Local Market Shop and Save
 - i. The Village received a liquor license application from the new Owners of Butera Market, Local Market Shop and Save. They are requesting a Class B liquor license. This would not increase the number of Class B licenses, as Butera Market no longer holds its license.
 - ii. Trustee Grace made a motion, seconded by Chybowski approve the increase of Class B liquor licenses by one for Local Market Shop and Save.
 - (1) Roll Call
Aye - 6 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.
- b. Approval: 2026 Road Improvement Program Bid Award- Payne & Dolan Inc.- \$1,657,750
 - i. On June 2, 2026 bids were opened for the 2026 Road Improvement Program. Three bids were submitted, and all three bids exceeded the engineer's estimate. The lowest bid was submitted by Payne & Dolan.
 - ii. After discussion with Gewalt Hamilton Associates, it was determined the discrepancy resulted from the following streets as they were included as primary project streets versus alternate streets:
 - (1) Franklin Lane
 - (2) Franklin Court
 - (3) Providence Lane
 - (4) Delaware Lane
 - iii. Due to requirements of the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Gewalt Hamilton recommends the following:
 - (1) Award the contract to the lowest bidder, Payne & Dolan
 - (2) Following the award, immediately approve a Change Order removing the above streets from the project scope.
 - iv. Additionally, a discrepancy was noted in this year's Road Program. Although Cross Creek Lane, Creekside Court, and Potomac Court were scheduled for resurfacing, they were omitted from the bid package. Because we are unable to amend the existing contract to include the omitted streets, this work will be bid as a separate project later in the summer.
 - v. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski to award a

bid for the 2026 Road Improvement Program to Payne and Dolan, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,657,750.

(1) Roll Call

Aye - 6 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

c. Approval: Change Order #1- 2026 Road Improvement Program- \$438,337.50

- i. As discussed above, approving Change Order #1 reduces the contract amount by \$438,337.50.
- ii. Trustee Dunham made a motion, seconded by Dickson to approve Change Order #1 for the 2026 Road Improvement Program in the amount of \$438,337.50

(1) Roll Call

Aye - 6 Trustees Dickson, Dunham, Chybowski, Suchy, Rosten, Grace
Nay - 0
Motion carried.

IX. Public Comment

- a. A resident wished to thank everyone who helped with the Lake Linden cleanup. Appreciates the Mayor attending the Lakes Commission meeting, and is grateful concerns were addressed.
- b. A resident expressed his concerns about the partnership with the Lake County Sheriff's Department for the overnight shift, and overall wishes for better communication moving forward.

X. Executive Session

- a. None.

XI. Adjournment

- a. Trustee Suchy made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski to adjourn the meeting.

- i. Voice Vote

Aye - 6

Nay - 0

Motion carried.

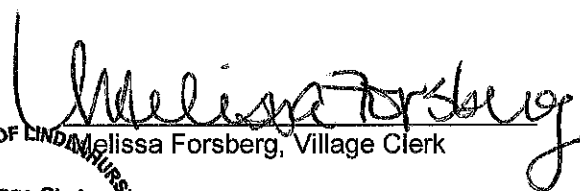
- ii. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Date approved

8-24-2026



Dominic Marturano, Mayor



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