

MINUTES OF LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING on
December 9, 2013, 7:05 pm.

- I. Call to order. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor Venturi.
- II. Roll Call. In attendance Supervisor Venturi, Trustee Beadle, Trustee McCollum, Trustee Stout and Clerk Smuda. Highway Commissioner was present, Trustee Berker was absent.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance. Led by Supervisor Venturi.
- IV. Approval of Minutes. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 18, 2013, by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee McCollum. All ayes, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - A. West Campus. Rug shampooing is complete
 - B. Dering Park. Ready to install Winter snow fence along trail
 - C. Tiny's Park. None
 - D. Camp Peacock. Main part of the building floors were re-stained, kitchen equipment up and running, ready for rentals. Northeastern Boy Scout Council will be holding a meeting with 160 Boy Scouts at Peacock camp on January 11, 2014. The agreed price came to \$3.00 per scout. Discussion continues regarding the high ropes, low ropes and possibly a zip line; Supervisor Venturi has not seen any plans. The concept is being discussed between the Boy Scouts and Lakes High School. Supervisor Venturi will continue to keep the board informed when plans and cost of the project is complete. The bunk beds are installed and ready for overnight camping for local girl and boy scouts troops. Supervisor Venturi stated that it looks like Lindenhurst Park District will be holding their summer camps starting the week of June 2nd through Aug for a period of nine weeks at a cost of \$2.00 per child per day. Would like to only commit to one year and review the actual cost and reevaluate the terms of the contact for the following year; our attorneys will draw up a one year contract
 - E. 2013 Township Tax Levy, taxable in 2014 motion to approve a 1 to 1.5 increase to cover the underfunded IMRF by Trustee McCollum, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - F. 2013 Road District Tax Levy, taxable in 2014 motion to approve a 1.5% increase to go to the Permit Road Projects by Trustee Beadle, seconded by Trustee Stout. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - G. 2014 Winter Rid-Fest January 25th, Supervisor Venturi received a quote from the Daily Herald Newspaper for \$1,000.00 to advertise the Rib-Fest though out the month of January 2014.
 - H. Grass Lake Rd. and Deep Lake Road Trail: Supervisor Venturi had a discussion with Mr. Jim McKay from Lakes High School regarding extending the trail from Lakes High School to the Lake Villa baseball park and continue to Sun Lake Forest Preserve. Funding would come from the Safe Routes to School grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 at a 80/20 match; the township would match 20% at a cost of \$40,000.00. Our engineer will be meeting with Lake County DOT to discuss the cost or possibly coming up with a new route that will keep the costs down.
- VI. New Business.

- A. Employee annual expense reimbursement; Motion to approve Holiday stipend \$50.00 full time employee, \$25.00 part time employee by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Beadle. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VII. Approve Payment of Bills.
 - A. Approve Line Item Transfers. None.
 - B. Approve payment of current Town and Road District bills. Motion to approve Trustee Beadle, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - C. Approve payroll payments from the last meeting. Motion to approve payroll payments from the last meeting to date, by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VIII. Public Comment: Jim Stout gave an update on the progress of the New Lake Villa Fire Department; furnace is being installed, landscape is being completed, working on the first of the year grand opening. Supervisor Venturi thanked Trustee Berker and his wife for purchasing the “Caboose” bench at the LLV Fine Arts auction in November and donating it back to the township. Discussion with Tom Weber, County Board Commissioner, as to how the Camp Peacock property would be used. Possible uses would be a summer camp, community rooms and there’s also a soccer field, beach and swimming pool on the property.
- IX. Assessor Report. Assessor Lee was not at the meeting, but reported to Supervisor Venturi that there were 700 assessment appeals in the township.
- X. Road Commissioner Report: Snow storm, the village started plowing first, township second and the county plowed the roads late. Lake Villa Township assisted the County in plowing the roads.
- XI. Supervisors Report: Chicago Kickers, Grayslake North, Lakes High School, Lindenhurst Tree lighting and breakfast with Santa so our food pantry is pretty well stocked for the Holidays. The Township and State Bank of The Lakes is collecting toys for our food pantry clients. The toys will be disturbed with their Holiday food baskets.
- XII. Calendar Review.
 - A. Next Regular town meeting, Monday January 13, 2014.
- XIII. Executive Session. None.
- XIV. Motion to adjourn the regular board meeting, by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee McCollum. All ayes, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Minutes of the December 9, 2013, Lake Villa Township Regular Board Meeting have been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on January 13, 2014, by Jean Smuda, Lake Villa Township Clerk.