

MINUTES OF LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING on
September 8, 2014 7:00 pm.

- I. Call to order. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Venturi.
- II. Roll Call. In attendance Supervisor Venturi, Trustee Beadle, Trustee Berker, Trustee Stout, Trustee McCollum, Clerk Smuda, Assessor Lee and Highway Commissioner Jorgensen.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance. Led by Supervisor Venturi.
- IV. Approval of Minutes. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on Aug 11, 2014, by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee McCollum. All ayes, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Lake Villa township Community Center (West Campus): Classes started at Apple Tree.
 - B. Peacock Camp: The “Bell Tower” Eagle Scout project is complete, the scouts are rebuilding the caboose at “Caboose Park”.
 - C. Dering Park Trail Connection: The pre-constructing meeting took place today at IDOT in Schaumburg, Supervisor Venturi attended. Bid letting will take place in April 2015.
 - D. Consideration and possible action regarding updated employee manual: Supervisor Venturi stated that he reviewed the Village of Lake Villa’s employee manual, made changes to fit the employment policies of Lake Villa Township. Supervisor Venturi’s goal is to have one manual for all employee but there is one issue regarding the Highway Dept. overtime when they work snow day/holidays. Supervisor Venturi and Highway Commissions will work out the issue and when it is complete the manual will be sent to the Township attorney.
- VI. New Business
 - A. The Township is going out for bid for health insurance, proposal received from Blue Cross Blue Shield come back with no increase.
- VII. Approve Payment of Bills.
 - A. Approve payment of current Town and Road District Bills with three line item additions; Sam’s Club \$1,278.71, Prestage Paving, \$13,300.00, Joe Meyers Tree Service \$11,655.00 Motion to approve by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
 - B. Approve payroll payments from the last meeting to date. Motion to approve the payroll payments from the last meeting to date, by Trustee Beadle, seconded by Trustee McCollum. Roll call, all ayes, motion passes.
- VIII. Public Comment. Mike Schultzer reported the Cheer Pad construction was delayed due to rain, the team decided to practice at Martin School in order to save the fields at the Township. Gary Stittgen; The Mainstreet Organization of Realtors, is offering placemaking grants in the amounts from \$500 to \$2,500 to improve public spaces into vibrant community places. Gary Stittgen presented the board with all grant information. Trustee McCollum would like to board to consider re-naming Tiny’s Park after “Ron Coles” who passed away. Kathy Clayton made a donation of \$50.00 in memory of retired Township Supervisor Ron Coles. Supervisor Venturi suggested the board

should consider memorialize the past Supervisor here at the Township. Supervisor Venturi will accumulated all the information from the past Supervisor.

- IX. Assessor Report. Assessor Lee reported the complaint period ended at the end of August with a total of 392 complaints. Most complaints came from tax attorneys representing a homeowner. The office is busy working on the appeals cases that will be heard in October, the cases should be completed by December 2014. The office computer connections to the County is being terminated. Assessor Lee hired a computer consultant to work through the transition period, need to increase the internet speed so there will be an added expense. The added expense in the figured into the budget. Assessor Lee is working on the new system.
- X. Road Commissioner Report: Plumbing work will start soon on Columbia Bay Road, paving started on Columbia Bay Road, cold storage, Sarah, Nathen Hale, paving parking lot at the beach. Placed the winter salt order, added extra to the order.
- XI. Supervisor Report: Supervisor Venturi reported the final numbers for Peacock Summer camp broke even, only about \$2,000.00 over the budget.
- XII. Calendar Review.
 - A. Next meeting Monday October 13, 2014
- XIII. Executive Session. None.
- XIV. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn regular board meeting, by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee McCollum. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Minutes of the September 8, 2014 Lake Villa Township Regular Board Meeting have been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on October 13, 2014 by Jean Smuda, Lake Villa Township Clerk.