

LAKE VILLA TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting November 11, 2019
37908 N. Fairfield Rd. Lake Villa, IL 60046
7:00 pm.

- I. Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Venturi at 7:00pm
- II. Roll call: In Attendance, Supervisor Venturi, Trustee Berker, Trustee Stout, Trustee McCollum, Trustee Johnson, Highway Commissioner Jim Jorgensen, Assessor Jeff Lee, Clerk Jean Smuda
- III. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Supervisor Venturi
- IV. Approval of Minutes: Motion of approve minutes of the regular board meeting of by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning a 2020 winter carnival 1-25-2020: Supervisor Venturi announced the carnival will take place on January 25, 2020. Possible events: snowman contest, sledding, fire in shelter A for roasting marshmallows, skating, and entertainment.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action concerning the Township 2019 Tax Levy: Motion to approve the 2019 Township Tax Levy for the sum of \$1,764,500.00 by Trustee McCollum, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes. The board was presented a copy of the 2019 Tax Levy Ordinance.
 - b. Discussion and possible action concerning the Highway 2019 Tax Levy: Motion to approve the Highway 2019 Tax Levy: Motion to approve the 2019 Highway Tax Levy for the sum of \$2,830,000.00 by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll Call, Supervisor Venturi yes, Trustee Stout yes, Trustee Berker yes, Trustee Johnson yes, Trustee McCollum no, motion passes. The board was presented a copy of the 2019 Tax Levy Ordinance and a list of pavement projects, drainage improvement projects, regrading and ditching projects and tree removal projects for the 2020-2024 Highway Budget.

Discussion took place with the board members and Highway Commission Jorgensen and Supervisor Venturi regarding the 2019 Tax Levy increase. Trustee McCollum stated he has a problem with the increase, he stated Jim does a great job but can't see raising the tax levy. Supervisor Venturi explained to the board the reasons for the tax levy increase which is under 5%, the numbers are the ask, should actually receive 2.1% to 2.2%.
 - c. Discussion and possible action concerning email service upgrade: Supervisor Venturi stated the e-mail for the office staff would be changed to Office 365, the rest of the staff and Trustee's e-mails will remain the same. No action was taken.
 - d. Discussion and possible action TIF #1 annual meeting 11-19-2019 at 3:30: The meeting will take place on Tuesday 11/19/2019 at the Lake Villa Village Hall.
- VII. Approve Payment of bills
 - a. Approve payment of current Town and Road district bills: Motion to approve the payment of current Town and Road district bills as amended by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Johnson. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.

- b. Approve payroll payments from last meeting: Motion to approve the payroll payments from last meeting by Trustee Stout, seconded by Trustee Berker. Roll Call, all ayes, motion passes.

VIII. Public Comment: No Public in attendance

IX. Assessors Report: Assessors Lee reported his office ended up with a total of 443 tax appeals, discussion took place regarding the large store tax appeals, 60% are attorney appeals, and all evidence is complete for the residential tax appeals.

X. Road Commissioners: Commissioner Jorgensen reported to the board what experience his new employee brings to the Highway Department.

XI. Supervisors Report: Lake Villa Tree lighting and parade will take place the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

XII. Calendar Review:

- a. Next meeting Monday December 9, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

XIII. Closed Session: None

XIV. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn regular board meeting by Trustee Berker, seconded by Trustee McCollum. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Minutes of the November 11, 2019 Lake Villa Township regular board meeting has been prepared and respectfully submitted for approval at the next regular board meeting on Monday, Dec 9, 2019 by Jean Smuda, Clerk.