

**VILLAGE OF LAKE VILLA  
VILLAGE BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Call to Order:** Mayor McDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Present:** Mayor McDonald, Village Clerk Konrad, Trustees: Nielsen, O'Reilly Bartlett, Savell, and McCollum, Chief of Police Rochelle Tisinai, Village Administrator Mike Strong, Assistant to the Village Administrator Jake Litz, Village Attorney Rebecca Alexopolus, Public Works Supervisors Ryan Horton and Jim Bowles. Christine McKinley attended by video. Trustee Barbato was absent.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Public Comment:** A resident brought points to the board regarding the reduction in traffic on the surface street near his home due to a 'right in/right out' ordinance being passed. They raised concerns over the fluoride in our water and asked for the board's support in eliminating fluoride from water. Also discussed was the goose population and the waste on the beach. A solution was offered. There were also concerns with building codes, specifically R311.2 regarding egress doors.

**Minutes:** It was moved by Trustee Savell and seconded by Trustee Nielsen to approve the September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Village Board Meeting Minutes.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 4 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN:**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Finance:** It was moved by Trustee O'Reilly and seconded by Trustee Savell to approve the account payable report for October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in the amount of \$485,890.30

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Mayor:** The Forest Preserve representative presented cause for a \$155 Million referendum on November ballot.

**Staff Reports:** Public Works reports the water main replacement program is progressing smoothly. Curb and sidewalk maintenance will be completed within the next week. The Police department is hosting a free training session at the township facility. HR updated a public works position Maintenance I worker water operator in training. Grant application for the grand avenue sidewalk has been submitted.

**New Business: Approval: Review and Approval of the FY2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

The Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2024 was provided for Village Board. The Village Board conferred on accepting the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Financial Audit. The Village's independent audit firm, Eccezion (*Formerly Eder, Casella & Company*) was present to answer questions from.

It was moved by Trustee Nielsen and seconded by Trustee Savell to approve the annual Financial Audit Report for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2024

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Discussion: Lauterbach & Amen Actuarial Results for Police Pension Fund**

Lauterbach & Amen, LLP, the accounting firm responsible for preparing the Police Pension Fund annual financial statements will present the draft FY24/35 Lake Villa Police Pension Fund actuarial valuation for Village Board review.

**Ordinance 2024-10-01: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property Owned by the Village of Lake Villa**

The Village Board is conferred on disposing of surplus Village property. Items for disposal include one vehicle, a 2015 Ford Explorer, identified as beyond useful.

It was moved by Trustee O'Reilly and seconded by Trustee Savell to approve Ordinance 2024-10-01 authorizing the sale of surplus property.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution 2024-10-01: A Resolution Appointing Certain Officers and/or Employees of the Village as Representatives of the Village of Lake Villa with regard to the Village's membership in Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications ("LakeComm")**

The Village Board conferred on approving a Resolution Appointing Officers and/or Employees as Representatives of the Village's membership in Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications ("*LakeComm*"). Village Administrator Michael Strong will serve as the primary representative and Chief Tisinai will serve as alternate representative. The Village Board had approved a resolution (2024-06-03) in which these roles were reversed. With the approval of Resolution 2024-10-01, Resolution 2024-06-03 will be repealed.

It was moved by Trustee McCollum and seconded by Trustee Nielsen to approve Resolution 2024-10-01 appointing certain officers and/or employees of the village as representatives of the Village of Lake Villa with regard to the Village's membership in the Lake Consolidated Emergency Communications (*LakeComm*).

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Ordinance 2024-10-02: An Ordinance Approving the Release of an Irrevocable Letter of Credit and Authorizing the Substitution of a Cash Deposit for the Lake Vista Subdivision**

The Lake Vista development residential development that was platted in 2005 with 29 single-family residential lots along Lake Vista Court. As part of the original agreement, the developer was required to provide a letter of credit to guarantee the completion public improvements. In 2019, the Village Board approved a reduction of the letter of credit from \$391,574 to \$153,810 based on substantial completion of several public improvements. The remaining letter of credit was held to ensure the completion of outstanding items, which included:

- Installation of asphalt surface course on Lake Vista Court
- Installation of sidewalks
- Landscaping improvements and the construction of a "park area"

The Developer has continued the public improvements and build-out the individual home sites. Only five (5) residential lots remain to be developed with four (4) under development or the permit approval process. The Developer has requested a further reduction of the existing letter of credit considering the substantial progress they have made.

It was moved by Trustee Savell and seconded by Trustee Nielsen to approve Ordinance 2024-10-02 approving the release of an Irrevocable Letter of Credit for the Lake Vista Residential Subdivision.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Discussion: Building Code Update**

The State of Illinois recently passed Public Act 103-0510 changing the Capital Development Board Act to require statewide building codes effective 1/1/2025. Lake Villa is serviced by Lake County for all building plan reviews and building inspections. Lake County has adopted the building codes. Dave Modrzejewski, the Village's Plan Reviewer with Lake County provide a presentation discussing the 2018 Code Cycle. In addition, the Lake Villa Fire Protection District Fire Marshall Dave Mohry presented an overview of the 2018 International Fire Code.

**Executive Session:**

It was moved by Trustee O'Reilly and seconded by Trustee Savell to go into Executive session at 9:39 pm.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Trustee McCollum and seconded by Savell to reconvene into regular session at 10:02 .

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**

**NAYS: 0**

**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED 10:03**

*Adjournment:* It was moved by Trustee Nielsen and seconded by Trustee O'Reilly to adjourn at 10:03pm.

**ROLL CALL VOTE WAS:**

**AYES: 5 (Nielsen, O'Reilly, Bartlett, Savell, McCollum)**


**NAYS: 0**

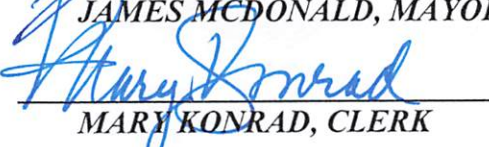
**ABSENT: 1 (Barbato)**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVED BY ME THIS 21st, October 2024

  
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JAMES MCDONALD, MAYOR

  
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MARY KONRAD, CLERK