

**Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE**  
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042  
April 10, 2025, 7:00 p.m.



1. **Call to Order** at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor McLaughlin
2. **Roll Call** Present: Trustees Brittany Alers, Chuck Cermak, Steve Deasey Thad Lewis, Stacey Pyne and Will Ziegler. Absent: none. Also present: Mayor Richard McLaughlin, Clerk Georgine Cooper, Attorney David McArdle, Police Chief Jennifer Paulus, Public Works Director Chris Carlsen
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Martin Horn
4. **Public Comment** included:  
Presentation by Jennifer Biancalana and Luke Britain/Briton of TIGRIS, a surface water management company with 21 locations nationally with a local Carol Stream office. (Duckweed and algae treatment is not enough.) Nutrient—specifically phosphorus—pollution that happened over time. Use bio-based mapping to gather data and assess treatment. Nutrient mitigation is what's required. All program services and treatments are included
5. **Committee and Department Reports**
  - a. Public Works, Trustee Alers
  - b. Parks Planning and Development, Trustee Pyne
  - c. Business and Economic Development, Trustee Deasey
  - d. Building and Zoning, Trustee Cermak
  - e. Police, Public Safety, and Ordinances, Trustee Lewis
  - f. Finance and Administration, Trustee Ziegler

**Action Items**

6. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Ratify consensus approval of payment of March 2025 bill in the amount of \$150,021.52
  - b. Approve minutes of the 3/13/2025 meeting
  - c. Adopt Resolution 698-25, *A Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code Appropriating \$290,000 for Bassler Drive and N. Williams Park Road Work*
  - d. Authorize Mayor to sign Gonzalez Companies, LLC proposal for the Eastway Bridge Inspection in the amount of \$4,250
  - e. Adopt Ordinance 1699-25 *An Ordinance Amending the Island Lake Village Code to Update the Title 1, Chapter 16, Section 1-16-3, Schedule of Fees, Fines, and Penalties*
  - f. Adopt Ordinance # 1700-25, *An Ordinance Adopting Updated International Building Code (IBC) Updated International Residential Code (IRC) Effective No Earlier than April State of Illinois new Building Code*
  - g. Adopt Ordinance # 1701-25, *An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2 of Title 3, Business Regulations Relating to Liquor Control Regulations in the Village of Island Lake, Illinois*Discussion: Remove item 6f; table until the next meeting

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items a. – e. and g. and to table item f. until the next meeting by Trustee Ziegler, Second by Trustee Deasey

Questions: Trustee Pyne: Were the roads assessed to determine? Engineer Zehner: Those roads were identified as most needing work. The roads serve business.

Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Pyne, and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

7. **Authorize Mayor to sign the Island Lake Police Department Designated Tow Company Agreement**  
Discussion: Chief Paulus: It's an updated agreement with the current company, All Ways Towing.

Motion to authorize Mayor to sign the Island Lake Police Department Designated Tow Company Agreement by Trustee Lewis, Second by Trustee Alers

Questions:

Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Pyne, and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**8. Authorize Mayor to sign 2025 Lake Treatment Agreement with vendor approved by Village Board**

Discussion: Director Carlsen: We spent \$70,000 on chemicals and another \$70,000 on labor. This treatment will take the burden off Public Works. Attorney McArdle: Whoever makes the motion must include duration—1 year, 2 year or 3 year. Trustee Pyne: The phosphorus binding is new but has been showing success. Trustee Cermak: It's a lot of money, but we have to do what's best for our lake. Trustee Pyne: This doesn't include aeration. Director Carlsen: We have a separate contract with TIGRIS for aeration. We did not make any movement on making repairs to the lake.

Motion to authorize Mayor to sign the 2025 Lake Treatment TIGRIS contract for 2 years with the option for 3 in the annual amount of \$181,050 by Trustee Cermak, Trustee Pyne; amended by Trustee Cermak and Trustee Pyne to include subject to review by Attorney McArdle.

Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Pyne, and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**9. Authorize Mayor to sign 2025 Fireworks Display contract with Pyrotecnico Fireworks, Inc. in the amount of \$21,735 for July 12, 2025 (alternate date of July 13, 2025)**

Discussion: Trustee Cermak: I'm a fan of fireworks but I think we should cancel the fireworks this year and put the money toward the lake. Agreement by Trustees Pyne and Alers. Trustee Pyne: It is unknown at this time how the Fireworks affect the phosphorus levels in the lake. Trustee; there should be a fundraiser for fireworks if people want them. Mayor McLaughlin said he would get donations to cover the cost.

No action taken.

**Discussion Items:** none

**10. Mayor Comments** included: Asked Attorney McArdle for fireworks donation. Ball fields are getting in shape; bunny breakfast and egg hunt; disc golf tournament this Saturday to qualify for nationals; working on IGAs to share services; Vista Park is the next park to address.

**11. Trustee and Staff Comments** included:

Trustee Alers: Thanked Board for voting for lake health; attended lake conference with Trustee Pyne, Director Carlsen and Foreman Anderson. Trustee Cermak: Appreciated fiscal responsibility; thanked TIGRIS for presentation. Trustee Deasey: Reminder to be careful for people outside in good weather; thanked everyone for getting out to vote. Trustee Lewis: Saturday a.m. pancake breakfast and egg hunt; Lions Luau in evening. Trustee Ziegler: Glad to see Finance moving along; excited about new lake treatment contract.

Director Carlsen: Thanked for investing in Island Lake and using competent vendors; thanked Ken Wick for helping to put this contract with TIGRIS, sharing his expertise and his dedicated service on lake management over the years.

Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a former employee of the Village and reconvene with no action taken by Trustee Lewis, Second by Trustee Cermak.

Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Pyne, and Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Return to Open Session at with no action taken at 8:42 p.m.

**12. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Ziegler

All were in favor. Motion carried at 8:43 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper