

Village Board Special Meeting Minutes
VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE
3720 Greenleaf Avenue, Island Lake, IL 60042
June 17, 2026, 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, Thadd Lewis, Wendy Mills, Will Ziegler Absent: none. Also present: Mayor Richard McLaughlin, Village Clerk Georgine Cooper, Attorney David McArdle, Acting Chief James Gainer, Treasurer Kevin Lockhart
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Noelle Taras
4. **Public Comment** included: none
5. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Public Works: Trustee Mills
 - b. Parks Planning and Development: Trustee Alers
 - 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 approval of April Bill sheet in the amount of \$317,917.93
 - b. Approve minutes of the May 14, 2026 meeting
 - c. Adopt 718-26 A Resolution Appointing the Chief Accountant Kayla Gray as the SWALCO Alternate Director
 - d. Ratify the signing of TaskForce HR, Inc Agreement for Human Resources Consulting and Payroll and Tax Service in the amount of \$119 per employee per month, one-time setup fee of \$3,275 [paid] and a one-time clock fee of \$1,800 (\$600 per clock for 3 clocks)
 - e. Authorize budgeted purchase of Big Tex 21EH-22D3A-MRBK Equipment Trailer from Knapheide Truck Equipment Center in the amount of \$9,733
 - f. Adopt Ordinance 1725-26 *An Ordinance Amending the Intergovernmental Agreement Establishing the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, Illinois*

Discussion:

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as stated by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Mills
Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Mills, Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

7. **Accept the Chicagoland Paving bid in the amount of \$265,000 for the 2026 MFT Street Maintenance Program**
Discussion: Bid opening last week. Bid is \$30,000 less than we will receive. Other work—for example curbs.

Motion to Accept the Chicagoland Paving bid in the amount of \$265,000 for the 2026 MFT Street Maintenance Program by Trustee Deasey Second by Trustee Alers
Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Mills, Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

8. **Authorize Mayor to sign the Geocon Professional Services Proposal for Construction Testing and Inspection Services for Converse Park Parking Lot Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$4,457**
Discussion: Mayor McLaughlin: Test is needed before paving.

9. Motion to authorize Mayor to sign the Geocon Professional Services Proposal for Construction Testing and Inspection Services for Converse Park Parking Lot Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$4,457 by Trustee Ziegler, Second by Trustee Mills
Ayes: Trustees Alers, Cermak, Deasey, Lewis, Mills, Ziegler. Nays: none. Motion carried.

10. Discussion items

Status of Grant Request for Janet Drive water main reconstruction:

Mayor McLaughlin and Public Works Director Carlsen met with Representative Schakowsky to plead our case for funding help for Janet Drive water main replacement. Noelle Taras read aloud Rep. Schakowsky's letter which stated that a grant in the amount of \$746,868 was awarded Director Carlsen: We have enough in the water fund to cover the rest of the cost.

11. **Mayor Comments** included: Lake Fest went well; Lioness Lions volunteered [liquor license and sales]; grateful for patience during road work; storm damage branches will be picked up by Public Works; will publish names of those who receive traffic citations.

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

Trustee Ziegler: Watch out for kids on e-bikes; enjoy the summer. Trustee Alers: Lake Fest was a blast; family enjoyed it. Trustee Cermak: Thanked Mayor and Director Carlsen for getting Janet Drive funds. Trustee Deasey: Thanked those who participated in Lake Fest; agree with Trustee Ziegler about caution with e-bikes; people have come forward to "say something when they see something" RE: vandalism of parks; support local business. Trustee Lewis: Thanked the Lions Club for Kids Fishing Derby; 26 kids participated and everyone caught something; good learning experience; Lake Fest was great; thanked EMA for traffic control and the Police Department for their work; thanked Public Works for work during the storms. Trustee Mills: Thanked Elvia for handling Public Works "trafficking"; working on 4 brand new welcome signs; IDOT has specifications; one on Darrell and Burnett; FBLA Nationals are next week; 33 Wauconda HS kids are going—9 from Island Lake.

Director Carlsen: HOAs are paying for their new signs; Village road work coming; will be fixing potholes; surveyors out on Southampton project; Waterwell Solutions fixed Well #9; 70% of the charges were removed after meeting with Director Carlsen and Engineer Zehner; roof is leaking and we will work on solutions; water treatment is going well. Wishing Well pump: quotes coming in; we contacted company suggested by resident Hovey. Acting Chief Gainer: Roof leak in police department brought to his attention today. Attorney McArdle: Go into closed for the purpose of discussing threatened litigation. Treasurer Lockhart: TaskForce process for payroll and HR is going well; working refining process with our bank on refining process; Chief Accountant Kayla Gray.
Clerk Cooper: Thank Lake Fest volunteers; Oktober Fest is coming and will need lots of volunteers.

Motion to go into Executive session for the purpose of threatened litigation, 5 ILCS

120/2(c)(11) by Trustee Ziegler, Second by Trustee Mills

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

Return to Open Session at 7:53 p.m.

Roll call: Present: Trustees Brittany Alers, Chuck Cermak, Steve Deasey, Thadd Lewis, Wendy Mills, Will Ziegler Absent: none.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Cermak, Second by Trustee Lewis

All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by Georgine Cooper