



Village of Lake in the Hills

600 Harvest Gate, Lake in the Hills, Illinois 60156

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

FEBRUARY 12, 2026

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Roll call was answered by Trustees Harlfinger, Dustin, Bojarski, Murphy, and President Bogdanowski.

Motion to allow Trustee Huckins and Anderson to attend telephonically was made by Trustee Harlfinger and seconded by Trustee Murphy. On roll call vote, Trustees Murphy, Bojarski, Dustin, and Harlfinger voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

Also present were Village Administrator Shannon Andrews, Assistant Village Administrator Trevor Bosack, Chief of Police Matt Mannino, Finance Director Pete Stefan, Public Works Director Ryan McDillon, Community Development Director John Svalenka, Parks and Recreation Director Randy Splitt, Human Resources Generalist Trish McCormick, Village Attorney Brandy Quance, and Village Clerk Shannon DuBeau.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Human Resources Generalist Trish McCormick.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

This portion of the agenda contains several items that will be acted upon in one Motion unless any Trustee wishes to remove an item. For members of the public, copies of the agenda are available at the entryway.

- A. Motion to accept and place on file the minutes of the January 22, 2026 Board of Trustees meeting.
- B. Motion to approve the February 13, 2026 Schedule of Bills, total of all funds in the amount of \$723,594.59.
- C. Motion to approve the purchase of two Ford F350 pickup trucks from Sutton Ford in a total amount not to exceed \$99,902.00.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A-C was made by Trustee Harlfinger and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Bojarski, Anderson, Murphy, Harlfinger, Dustin, Huckins voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

Items for Discussion and Consideration

The Board may combine multiple items in the same motion. A trustee may at any time request that the combined action be voted upon in separate motions.



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Public Works

A. Request to Approve a Supplemental Resolution for Improvement for the Reed Road Resurfacing Project

Summarized by Public Works Director Ryan McDillon

Staff seeks Board approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Resolution for Improvement to appropriate additional MFT funds for the Reed Road Resurfacing Project.

In 2021, the Village was approved for \$72,621 in Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant funding to resurface a .23-mile section of Reed Road. This amount was not to exceed 80% of the project's estimated construction costs, which had been \$90,776. Plote Construction, Inc. was the lowest bidder, with final construction costs totaling \$119,712.48 at project completion. Since the STP funding is "not to exceed", the Village is required to cover the additional \$28,936.48 in construction costs.

In January 2021, the Village Board approved the appropriation of \$29,662 of Village MFT funds for this project; however, that included engineering costs. An initial partial payment for construction has been made in the amount \$21,671. The State just closed out the project and has recently issued an invoice for final payment on construction in the amount of \$25,412.47. This brings the Village's total cost of construction to \$47,083.47. Coupled with \$11,507 in engineering fees, the total project cost to the Village is \$58,590.47. Since the Village has only appropriated \$29,662 in MFT funds, a supplemental IDOT Resolution for Improvement is required to appropriate the remaining \$28,928.47 needed to cover the additional costs of the project.

Financial Impact

The FY2026 Budget did not include the final funding requirements for this project; however, the 2026 MFT road resurfacing bid came in significantly under budget with a savings of \$345,500.00. This will more than cover the additional expenses without the need for a budget amendment.

Motion

Motion to approve a supplemental Resolution for Improvement appropriating MFT funds for the Reed Road Resurfacing Project was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Anderson, Dustin, Bojarski, Huckins, Murphy, and Harlfinger voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

B. Request to Approve the Awarding of a Contract for the 2026 Asphalt Parking Lot Replacements and Bike Path Resurfacing Project

Summarized by Public Works Director Ryan McDillon

Staff seeks Board approval to award a contract to Troch McNeil Paving Company for the 2026 Asphalt Parking Lot Replacements and Bike Path Resurfacing Project in an amount not to exceed \$171,530.00.

This project includes the replacement of asphalt parking lots and bike path resurfacing at the locations below:



| Parking Lots | Bike Paths |
|--------------|--------------|
| Sunset Park | Miller Road |
| Lynn Dillow | Grafton Farm |

On January 19, 2026, staff received and opened nine (9) sealed proposals for this project. Troch McNeil Paving Company offered the lowest proposal at a total price of \$171,530.00. Troch McNeil Paving Company was awarded this same contract last year (at different locations) and staff was pleased with their performance. Therefore, staff recommends award of this contract to Troch McNeil Paving Company.

Financial Impact

| Location | Proposed Cost | FY26 Budgeted Cost | Savings |
|--------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Sunset Park | \$116,840.00 | \$210,000 (Capital) | \$93,160.00 |
| Lynn Dillow | \$29,850.00 | \$36,000 (General) | \$6,150.00 |
| Bike Paths | \$24,840.00 | \$33,000 (General) | \$8,160.00 |
| TOTAL | | | \$107,470.00 |

This project is \$107,470.00 under budget (\$93,160.00 from the Capital Fund and \$14,310.00 from the General Fund).

Trustee Bojarski questioned recent work done to the parking lots at Sunset Park. Director McDillon explained that the parking lots had been sealed, not resurfaced.

Motion

Motion to award a contract to Troch McNeil Paving Company for the 2026 Asphalt Parking Lot Replacements and Bike Path Resurfacing Project in an amount not to exceed \$171,530.00 was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Dustin, Murphy, Bojarski, Huckins, Anderson, and Harlfinger voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.



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C. Request to Approve a Waiver of Competitive Bidding for Well 6 Filter Control Retrofit Project

Summarized by Public Works Director Ryan McDillon

Staff seeks Board approval to waive competitive bidding requirements and award a contract for the Well 6 Filter Control Retrofit Project to Concentric Integration, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$240,250.

In October of 2021, Well 6 was taken offline due to the detection of PFAS. As part of the current Strategic Plan and approved budget, staff has planned to install PFAS remediation technologies to bring Well 6 back online.

In order to operate the future PFAS remediation technologies, a new Filter Control Panel and Motor Control Center are needed. Under this contract, Concentric Integration, LLC (Concentric) would install the aforementioned control systems. Concentric would also integrate the new control systems with the existing SCADA system at Well 6. Concentric has updated the SCADA systems at all the Village's water treatment facilities. Due to this large amount of collaboration on previous projects, and Concentric's in-depth knowledge of proprietary Village water infrastructure configurations, staff recommends waiving the competitive bidding process and awarding this contract to Concentric.

Financial Impact

The current FY26 Budget includes a total of \$1.9M for PFAS remediation at Well 6. Therefore, this project is within the total budget for PFAS remediation at Well 6.

Motion

Motion to waive competitive bidding requirements and award a contract for the Well 6 Filter Control Retrofit Project to Concentric Integration, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$240,250 was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Anderson, Huckins, Dustin, Bojarski, Harlfinger, and Murphy voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.

Parks & Recreation

D. Request to Waive Competitive Bidding and Approve an Agreement for the Rolling Hills Park Playground Equipment Replacement Project

Summarized by Parks & Recreation Director Randy Splitt

At the April 25, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting, NuToys Leisure Products, Inc (NuToys) was selected to assist with the Village with preliminary designs for playground replacement projects. NuToys, is an exclusive local representative for Landscape Structures, who provides the required professional services to complete the site improvement or replace the equipment according to the Village's Budget. Each project designed by NuToys will require a waiver of competitive bidding in order for the Village to enter into a separate contract with Landscape Structures. This contract outlines the costs of the equipment, which is through a purchasing cooperative, in addition to the remaining costs associated with the project, such as installation and/or disposal of equipment.



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In the FY2026 Budget, the Village allocated funding for the replacement and improvement of playground equipment at Rolling Hills Park. The equipment has reached the end of its life. To ensure the design reflected community preferences, Village staff partnered with neighborhood residents to gather input on desired themes, play elements, and overall layout.

Led by Parks and Recreation Board Member Sai Sivakumar, a Rolling Hills Park Neighborhood Focus Group was formed to help guide the design process. This collaborative effort has resulted in the development of a playground concept that reflects both community priorities and the goals of the Village's Parks Master Plan.

The Focus Group recommended incorporating:

- Updated climbing features, swings, and spinners to complement existing equipment.
- Elements that encourage unstructured, open-ended play, allowing children to develop physical coordination, creativity, and problem-solving skills through self-directed exploration.
- A turtle-themed play element, representing the turtles that frequent the park and serving as a playful, symbolic connection to local wildlife.

During discussions, residents highlighted the longtime presence of turtles that nest and navigate the park area. In response, the Focus Group has recommended incorporating educational signage to raise awareness about turtle activity and conservation.

Staff have coordinated with the McHenry County Conservation District (MCCD) and Illinois Department Natural Resources (IDNR) to explore opportunities for interpretive materials that could accompany the new playground installation.

At the December 4, 2025 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting, staff presented the Group's recommended playground design. The Parks and Recreation Board reviewed the concept and supports advancing the project, including Turtle education, for Village Board consideration.

In working with the Village attorney, staff has prepared the agreement (attached to the agenda) with Landscape Structures, Inc. for the provision and installation of playground equipment for Rolling Hills Park in an amount not to exceed \$157,505.00. It should be noted that Landscape Structures, Inc. is an approved partner of Sourcewell for National Purchasing and meets purchasing and bidding requirements.

Financial Impact

The FY2026 Budget includes \$170,000.00 in Capital Improvement for Rolling Hills Park, while the contract with Landscape Structures is not to exceed \$157,505.00 for a savings of \$12,495.00.

Motion

Motion to waive competitive bidding and approve an agreement with Landscape Structures, Inc for the provisions and installation of playground equipment for Rolling Hills Park, in an amount not to exceed \$157,505.00 was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Dustin, Anderson, Bojarski, Huckins, Murphy, and Harlfinger voted Aye. No Nays. Motion carried.



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Village Administrator and Department Head Reports

None.

Board of Trustee Reports

None.

Village President Reports

None.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None.

Closed Session

Motion to enter into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to 5/ILCS 120/2(c)(1) was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. On roll call vote, Trustees Bojarski, Anderson, Murphy, Huckins, Dustin, and Harlfinger voted Aye. No Nays. Motion Carried.

Return from Closed Session

Roll call was answered by Trustees Huckins, Harlfinger, Dustin, Bojarski, Murphy, Anderson, and President Bogdanowski.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Murphy and seconded by Trustee Bojarski. All in favor by voice vote.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting of the Lake in the Hills Board of Trustees was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shannon DuBeau".

Shannon DuBeau
Village Clerk

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