

**Lemont Township Board Meeting – February 10, 2026**

The Lemont Township Board meeting was called to order by Debby Blatzer (Supervisor Michael Shackel absent) on February 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township offices at 16300 Alba Street. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll was called by clerk Christine Zielke; Blatzer, Labno, Lemming, Wilk, Molitor -present. Shackel - absent.

A motion was made by Molitor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilk to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2026 board meeting. On roll call: Blatzer, Lemming, Wilk -ayes. Molitor- abstain. Shackel- absent. Motion passed.

**Matters from the Public:**

Dave Wilkes 451 High Rd. Everbridge/Weather alerts. Friday at 2:30 pm Citgo ruptured a line and it’s still being cleaned up. No alerts were issued through Everbridge or through the Odor Alert Network. He shared copies of pictures he took of this event.

He inquired if we knew when the next Palos Park meeting about Cog Hill property will be held.

**Approval and Payment of Bills and Salaries:**

General Fund	\$	69,611.20
Road & Bridge	\$	37,482.08
General Assistance	\$	791.00
Family Assistance	\$	0.00
Total:	\$	107,884.28

Motion to approve payment of bills made by Lemming, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Molitor. On roll call: Blatzer, Lemming, Wilk, Molitor-ayes. Shackel- absent. Motion passed.

**Staff Reports:**

**Road & Bridge Commissioner (Mark Labno) –**

Had to fix one of the trucks. 400 tons of salt is on order. 132<sup>nd</sup> Street project is just waiting on the railing across the bridge. Tony is going over the drawings and will present to the residents once he is finished. After Spring, he and the team will begin discussing future road projects.

**Clerk (Christine Zielke) –** We had 4 FOIA requests which were redirected. Early Voting for the Gubernatorial Election Primary begins March 2, Election day is March 17. There have been

changes at the USPS regarding postmark dates. She read the announcement from Monica Gordon, Cook County Clerk's announcement. This information will be posted in a variety of locations to make sure residents are aware. Will be getting ready for the Annual Town Hall meeting.

**Assessor (Mario Mollo) – See Report for Additional Information**

The realtor event was very successful so much that there are discussions to do this annually. 1<sup>st</sup> Installment of property bills will be due in April. The Assessor's office were guest speakers at a recent SALT meeting.

**Human Services (Stephanie Katopodis – on maternity leave, Diana Kunickis in her absence)**  
See attached monthly report.

**Facilities (Cindy O'Malley) – See Report for Additional Information**

A list of recent past events was shared. Mentioned Township will be a site for early voting. Still in the queue for an upcoming burn. Shared the Sanctuary Clean Up days beginning in April. Plans are underway for the Township, Park District and Village to collaborate on our country's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Working with Ruby Whiskers to host an Easter biscuit search for the dogs at the dog park.

**Transportation (Marybeth Nunzio - absent) – see attached monthly report.**

**Administrator (Mario Mollo)**

We hosted the Northern Administrator's meeting. The meeting focused on Artificial Intelligence and its use in the government as well as yearly evaluations. OPUS training will be coming which is training on the government's "Amazon" ordering system. Copier meeting with Omnia Partners will be happening soon. Currently if copiers are purchased outright we will save approximately \$15,000 vs. renting the equipment. 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment auditors are continuing to make their way through Cook County. Working with Lemont Police Department to work on safety planning for the township office. CPR training for the office will be happening soon. Palos Park meeting regarding Cog Hill property will be happening on 2/19 and we will be attending.

**SALT Update (Terry Lemming) –** The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> and will host Mario and Diane from the Assessor's office. For the March meeting (3/17), a nice breakfast at Franciscan Village will be provided with guest speaker, Sam Forzley, discussing eye care.

**Woodland Sanctuary Advisory Committee - (Jeanette Virgilio) – no report.**

**Supervisor (Mike Shackel) – no report.**

**Unfinished Business –**

- A. 1115 Warner Building – Mike attended the planning/zoning meeting. Petition was circulated to waive parking requirements which may now be the recommendation.
- B. Lemont Township Employee Handbook approval. Motion to approve handbook as presented. Lemming 1<sup>st</sup>, Wilk 2<sup>nd</sup>. On roll call: Blatzer, Lemming, Wilk, Molitor-ayes. Shackel- absent. Motion passed.

**New Business –**

- A. Updated Lemont Township 2026 board meeting dates approval. Motion to approve list as presented. Molitor 1<sup>st</sup>, Lemming 2<sup>nd</sup>. On roll call: Blatzer, Lemming, Wilk, Molitor-ayes. Shackel- absent. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn meeting made Molitor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilk. On roll call: Blatzer, Lemming, Wilk, Molitor -ayes. Shackel - absent. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm

*Christine A Zielke, Clerk*