

**Lemont Township Board Meeting – April 14, 2026**

The Lemont Township Board meeting was called to order by Michael Shackel on April 14, 2026, at 7:04. p.m. at the Township offices at 16300 Alba Street. The Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll was called by clerk Christine Zielke; Labno, Lemming, Wilk, Shackel -present. Blatzer and Molitor- absent

A motion was made by Lemming, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wilk to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2026 board meeting. On roll call: Lemming, Wilk, Shackel -eyes. Blatzer and Molitor- absent. Motion passed.

Matters from the Public:

None

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

General Fund	\$	65,417.97
Road & Bridge	\$	24,898.13
General Assistance	\$	476.00
Family Assistance	\$	0.00
Total:	\$	90,792.10

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

**Staff Reports:**

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

Done with the snow season, knock on wood. Enough salt for next year. No major vehicle breakdowns during the season. We have been addressing drainage issues. Had to fix one of the trucks. 132<sup>nd</sup> Street project is going out to bid. The bid open will begin next Thursday, April 23, bids due back May 7, starting project shortly after.

**Clerk (Christine Zielke) –** 4 FOIA requests since last meeting.

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

We think the Exemption window will close on April 21, busy period, thanks to both Dianas and Lisa. We mailed 400 letters to residents who are missing exemptions and appointments came in because of that.

**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**

Events are back to normal, lots of events planned in the coming months. Pizzo burned on March 24, except 2 units which will be delayed for aesthetic purposes (wedding in May). Handicapped door was repaired. Web accessibility project will be moving forward ahead of schedule. April 18 is the first Woodlands Sanctuary meeting this season. Lemont Garden Club has adorned our property for spring, and it looks beautiful.

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

**Administrator (Mario Mollo)**

Early voting was successful. Special thanks to our guest bingo callers - Mike, Debby and Rich. The Village officials are interested in calling Bingo too. AARP Tax Aide will move to Tuesdays and Thursdays starting next year. The copier search has ended- Gordon Flesch will be our new company which will remove current copier, etc.

**SALT Update (Terry Lemming) –** Terry wanted to come because Bill and Barb are here tonight, and thanked them for all of their community work over the many years. The March 17<sup>th</sup> breakfast at Franciscan Village went great. Next Tuesday will be Sam Forzley presenting for the April SALT Meeting.

**Woodland Sanctuary Advisory Committee - (Jeanette Virgilio) –** Cleanup will focus on the Triangle area and the Butterfly area to keep pollination going. Site design has been hired for the 32 acres but not sure on status of the Village negotiations. Small parking lot, pavilion and/or a ravine connecting walkway are some ideas. April- cleanup, May- planting/seeding for the committee.

**Supervisor (Mike Shackel) –**

The planning/zoning meeting for Belmont project on Bell/Archer was cancelled, and it will be rescheduled. Planning/Zoning meeting for Copper Ridge west will be held on May 6. There are ongoing discussions regarding the 32 acre village-owned property adjacent to the Township's open space with Copper Ridge West. In addition, there have been ongoing discussions with Mike, Lemont Park District and the developer (Beechen & Dill) about the 32 acres being possibly

incorporated into open space and how that would affect each entity. Mike shared that he would report more during the annual meeting.

**Unfinished Business –**

- A. 1115 Warner Building – Sale of the building is to close this month. Everything has been cleared, and we are ready to go. Thanked the township team for helping to clean the building. They were able to also donate some items to the Chicago Furniture Bank.

**New Business –**

- A. Stephanie Katopodis has resigned from her position and the job posting for to refill will be going out on April 15<sup>th</sup>. The position will be transitioning from a full-time to a part-time position. Trustee Lemming offered to serve on the interview committee.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm

*Christine A Zielke, Clerk*