

**VILLAGE OF LINDENHURST**  
**2301 E Sand Lake Road**

**Joint Special Meeting of the Village of Lindenhurst and Lindenhurst Park District**

**August 26, 2024**  
**7:15pm**

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**I. Call to Order**

- A. Mayor Marturano called the Joint Special Meeting of the Village Board and Park District to order at 7:15pm.

**II. Roll Call**

- A. Present from the Village of Lindenhurst were Mayor Dominic Marturano, Trustees Pat Dickson, Pat Dunham, Patty Chybowski, Dawn Suchy, and Ron Grace.
- B. Present from the Lindenhurst Park District were Commissioners Sean Smith, James Stout, Victoria McCabe, and Todd Solbrig.
- C. Absent from the Village of Lindenhurst was Trustee Heath Rosten.
- D. Absent from the Lindenhurst Park District was Commissioner Sheri Chapman.
- E. Also in attendance were Village Administrator Clay Johnson, Village Attorney Julie Tappendorf, Police Chief Tom Jones, Operations Director Kevin Klahs, Assistant to the Village Administrator Karleen Gernady, Park District Executive Director David Mohr Jr, and Village Clerk Melissa Forsberg.

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. New Business**

- A. Presentation, discussion, and staff direction regarding the installation of a Solar (photovoltaic or 'PV') system at 2200 Grass Lake Road.
1. Without any current expansion plans, the vacant property located to the north and rear of the Lippert Community Center and skateboard park is being assessed for green electricity generation.
  2. The Park District reached out to Tesla and then the Village in 2019, but were unable to agree on terms. They recently reached out to General Energy Corporation (GEC) and then the Village, to revisit. Although the system would be installed on Park District property, the power generated would offset costs for both the Park District and Village's wastewater treatment facility.
  3. GEC is proposing installing over 2,000 panels with nine inverters on the 2.5-3 acre property. While the Village would be allowed to purchase electricity at a reduced rate, the Park District would be issued a land lease payment for use of the land.
  4. Jim Taylor and Tony Jaswal presented an overview of GEC's Solar PV system and the estimated savings utilizing a 20 Year PPA versus a Cash option. Variables that determine cost savings was discussed, as well as that not all delivery costs would be eliminated due to inclement weather periods.

5. Information was also provided pertaining to options at the end of the Agreement period.
6. Trustees and Commissioners both agree this program will only work if the Village and Park District are in agreement about moving forward. They feel they need to review more of a side-by-side comparison in which to see a more clear picture of costs and savings involved.

V. **Public Comment**

A. None.

VI. **Adjournment**

- A. Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chybowski to adjourn the meeting.
1. Voice Vote  
Aye - 8  
Nay - 0  
Motion carried.
  2. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.

Date approved 9-10-24

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Dominic Marturano, Mayor

  
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Todd Solbrig, President

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Melissa Forsberg, Village Clerk