VILLAGE OF
LINCOLNSHIRE

MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
August 24, 2026

Present:

Mayor Brandt
Trustee Kelly
Trustee Munger
Trustee Raizin
Village Attorney Simon
Chief of Police Leonas
Public Works Director Woodbury
Trustee Grujanac
~~Trustee Mitchell~~
Trustee Pantelis
~~Village Clerk Mastandrea~~
Village Manager Burke
Village Treasurer/Finance Director Rossi
Assistant Village Manager/CED Director Davies

1.0 ROLL CALL

Mayor Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:46 p.m., and Deputy Village Clerk Burke called the roll.

2.0 ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 Planning, Zoning, and Land Use

2.2 Finance and Administration

2.21 Consideration of Proposed Goals for Fiscal Year 2027

Village Manager Burke noted the proposed Fiscal Year 2027 goals are stated in the memo and will be included in the draft budget. Village Manager Burke invited the Board to provide specific feedback or questions.

2.3 Public Works

2.31 Consideration of Approval of a 5-Year Solid Waste and Recycling Contract Extension with Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) (Village of Lincolnshire)

Public Works Director Woodbury presented the proposed five-year solid waste and recycling contract extension with Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) including contract background, request summary, recommendations, and current/proposed rates.

Mayor Brandt noted the senior discount and asked how eligibility is verified. Public Work Director Woodbury explained seniors must apply. Mayor Brandt suggested staff publish clear senior discount information for residents.

Public Works Director Woodbury summarized negotiated improvements and program update for leaf collection services. Mayor Brandt suggested that LRS service information be included in the spring newsletter.

Public Works Director Woodbury continued presenting program updates for the leaf pickup service.

Mayor Brandt asked if the residents who have landscapers could opt out of the payment for the leaf collection. Public Works Director Woodbury stated getting a' la carte service is not offered. Village Manager Burke noted landscapers often just leave leaves in place.

Village Manager Burke noted LRS previously billed the leaf service in the last quarter, which caused confusion; under the extension, the fee will be spread over 12 months. Village Manager Burke noted LRS is the lone vendor for this type of leaf collection.

Trustee Raizin asked how the schedule for leaf collection works. Public Works Director Woodbury stated pickup used to be every other week and would include the east side of town one week and the west side of town on the next week. Starting at the end of October/early November, pickup will run village-wide throughout the week. Residents should set out leaves by 7 a.m. on Monday morning.

A conversation regarding the leaf pickup schedule followed.

Public Works Director Woodbury continued the presentation with a regional rate comparison.

Mayor Brandt inquired if the two municipalities with higher rates, Gurnee and Lake Villa, have leaf collection. Public Works Director Woodbury confirmed Gurnee and Lake Villa have leaf collection. Trustee Kelly expressed concern that CPI adjustments could move Lincolnshire's rates above peers. Public Works Director Woodbury stated other municipalities will adjust rates as well.

Trustee Grujanac asked about the rate increases. Public Works Director Woodbury provided a current/proposed rate comparison. A conversation regarding rate increases followed. Trustee Kelly provided statistics on the increases, noted concern, and asked how much the leaf pickup service is worth. Public Works Director Woodbury stated the residents want the service.

Trustee Raizin asked about the snowbird provision; would it be a two-month or three-month charge. Public Works Director Woodbury stated the snowbird provision has a limit of four months. Village Manager Burke explained the $6 monthly leaf fee functions like a minimum base refuse charge because LRS must staff and run routes and cannot practically track individual vacation holds; the fee continues year-round as a minimum to support program operations. Because of that underlying cost to operate the leaf program, LRS proposes that even when residents suspend their regular base service, they continue paying the $6 monthly leaf charge year-round as a minimum fee.

Trustee Kelly asked how many residents use the hold for service option. Village Manager Burke stated staff will ask LRS for this information.

Mayor Brandt asked if there was any price advantage to lowering the number of weeks of leaf collection. Public Works Director Woodbury stated there would be no benefit to lowering the number of weeks for leaf collection.

Village Manager Burke stated we can invite LRS representatives to come in and talk more about their rate setting and answer questions.

Trustee Kelly asked if LRS is charging the same rates to other municipalities. Village Manager Burke stated staff can get surrounding municipalities rates from LRS. Trustee Kelly noted the fees for new trucks and shared concern that Lincolnshire was paying more for new trucks. Village Manager Burke stated LRS purchased dedicated Lincolnshire trucks. Trustee Kelly suggested staff go back to see whether any additional cost savings or negotiation opportunities exist.

A conversation regarding bag leaf pickup and safety issues followed.

Public Works Director Woodbury continued his presentation including key protections, added community value, resident financial impact, and service reliability and continuity.

Mayor Brandt asked if staff could provide detailed information for the surrounding areas, pertaining to their waste hauler, services, and pricing including bag prices. Public Works Director Woodbury stated he would get this information to provide the Board for comparison.

Village Manager Burke provided 2026 leaf collection dates and website information pertaining to the senior discount.

Village Manager Burke stated staff will collect waste hauler information from the surrounding communities to bring it back to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for Board review and discussion.

Trustee Raizin suggested, if possible, staff obtain information regarding average bags used per household in municipalities with bag programs.

Village Manager Burke noted LRS has been a great partner sharing that LRS provided free branch and brush pickup after recent storms.

2.4 Public Safety
2.5 Parks and Recreation
2.6 Judiciary and Personnel

3.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Whytegate Park

Trustee Raizin stated Whytegate Park needs more sand.

Public Works Director Woodbury stated sand is replenished annually and will ask staff to address it.

5.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Grujanac moved, and Trustee Pantelis seconded the motion to adjourn. The voice vote was unanimous, and Mayor Brandt declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Bradly J. Burke
Deputy Village Clerk