

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Wednesday, April 10, 2002, in the Village Office.

Present: Mayor Donald Hartill (arrived late), Janet Beebe, Lynn Leopold, Frank Moore; Code and Zoning Enforcement Officer Benjamin Curtis; Superintendent of Public Works Dennis Reinhart; Motor Equipment Operator Rick Beckwith; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; and Clerk, part-time Carol Willard.

Trustee Lynn Leopold called the meeting to order at 12:10 P.M.

Rick stated that everything was going fine. He's waiting on the weather to dry up so he can start mowing. He asked when the summer part time laborer was going to start. Dennis stated that he has 11 applications and will be doing interviews this week.

Carol is having trouble with the computer she got from Ben. It is very slow and there is an operating systems problem. Larry will try to fix it this week.

Janet informed the board that the Recreation Partnership Board was moving right along. The Recreation Board may be cutting some programs because they are having trouble funding them. They are also looking into instead of cutting certain programs maybe getting sponsors for them. The only area municipality that is not involved in the partnership is the Town of Lansing.

Frank has completed and distributed to the Trustees a draft mission statement for a Greenway Committee. Jodi has looked at both Frank's draft and the resolution that established the Greenway Advisory Council and they are pretty much the same. There was discussion as to whether a new committee needed to be formed or if the existing council could be utilized. There will be further discussion at the Monday night meeting.

Ben stated that Moldflow is moving in. Rick thinks the building looks strange because it is so close to the road. This is the first building to comply with the 25-foot build to line. Lynn feels it will look much better once the landscaping is completed. Lama's permit went out and will be to the same build to line.

Ben will be on vacation from April 11-22nd. Don asked if he felt he had the paper trail that he is responsible for taken care of in respect to the Target appeal. Ben feels he does.

Borders sign permit has gone out. Dick's sign went up the same day the sign permit went out. Both Borders and Dicks plan to open in May. Don asks if these sign permits went through our attorney. The permits went to the planning board because Pyramid Mall has a Planned Sign Area, which allows them to come in for planning board approval. The pad and footers are in for Target. This work is under a permit that was issued before the Brad Grey appeal. No additional permits will be issued until this is resolved. It goes to the BZA again on April 23rd. Ben has distributed a substantial amount of paperwork to the BZA members to review before the next BZA meeting.

Ross Doud is the new regional operational manager for New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. who manages Cayuga Mall. Ross, Ben and the fire chief did a 3-hour walk through of the Cayuga Mall. They met all the store managers, discussed the problems of garbage, shopping carts and the sprinkler system. It originally wasn't clear which sprinkler room controlled which sprinkler so Ross had someone from ABJ come in and diagram the whole mall.

Dennis informed the staff that Northeast Transit buses are getting out and turning over the route to TCAT at the end of April. Janet called on this and the schedule will remain the same. Myra Fincher, a Chateau Claire resident, has been cleaning up the roadsides and has adopted the open field across the street. When she collects garbage she leaves it along the road and calls Dennis to come pick it up. Dennis is concerned because the open field is private property owned by Dick Thaler. The Village cannot go on private property. Don feels we shouldn't discourage anyone who wants to help. Don suggested calling Bob Barnes, Thaler's maintenance man, to see how he feels about Myra cleaning

up the property.

The new flowmeters are in but we are unable to download information with the cell phones that are at two of the three flowmeters. We are able to download information from the analog phone. Dennis has deferred to Dave Putnam. Until this issue is straightened out we will hold the payment for the flowmeters.

The Homer Asphalt Plant is open. RC Wilson will patch the water main break across the street and the catch basin in front of the HSBC Bank, which is falling apart. Dennis plans to plug the dead end sewer mains. Street sweeping will be done after brush pick up. Don suggested we ask the state to do the bridge deck. All the debris is dangerous for bicyclists.

Dennis got a quote of \$990 to have a new sand carved Village sign for in front of the office. The 42" by 21" sign would be double sided with our new village logo. Don thought this was a lot of money for a sign. Dennis will look into different types of signs to see what that cost would be. The staff discussed different types of signs but decided that they would like to stick with the wood look. The proposed sign sounds nice but they would just like to do a comparison before spending that much money on the sign. Don asks Dennis to find out the life expectancy of the sand carved sign also.

Dennis stated that we have an easement from Ivar Jonson to access the trail on Viola Miller's property. Viola has the paperwork to look over. Swartout knows nothing about a bridge on his property. The board decided that the bridge for the Kensington trail should go on village property where the current trail goes.

Dennis has received 12 applications for the summer laborer position. He will have a recommendation for the Board at their Monday meeting.

Pyramid Mall is relocating their sewer main next week. This has to be done because of where the Target Store is located.

The County will be starting Triphammer Rd. project in the Town of Lansing in June. The detour will be Burdick Hill Rd. Burdick Hill Rd. will be restriped and there will be signage so that there is no truck traffic. Dennis will also notify the Sheriff and State Police. Don told Dennis to make sure that Burdick Hill Rd. was inspected before and after the project with the County. He also suggested that we insist that the County contact the residents on Burdick Hill Rd. to inform them. The bridge deck over Rt. 13 will also be done this summer.

Don asks Dennis to pick up the information on the pre-qualified firms from John Lampman at Tompkins County. Our next step is to choose a firm to provide the engineer services for the N. Triphammer Rd. Project. Once this information arrives, Larry and his group can start the selection process. We have already gotten approval from the State to go ahead with this project. We will have to go to the MPO to get the TIP revised. Another thing that needs to be decided is whether or not we want to do underground utilities.

Lynn volunteered to do the plantings around the Village Office again this year.

Don stated that there is another sewer meeting tomorrow. They are now meeting every week. The group is not happy with Chazen, the consultant for the EIS process. The numbers that Chazen provided were wrong and they almost fired them. Instead they decided to each assist in getting the correct information for their particular municipality and try to work it out.

The Village has received two quotes from Cayuga Landscape for planting trees on Cinema Drive. The first quote was 8 bag & burlap trees for \$3,250. The second was for half bare root and half bag & burlap trees for \$2,625. The board thinks that the second will be a good test to see how bare root trees do as opposed to bag & burlap.

Resolution #3849 -To Pay Cayuga Landscape Company \$2,625 for 8 Trees to be Planted on Cinema Drive

Trustee Leopold moved to accept this resolution. Trustee Beebe seconded the motion.

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank Moore- Aye
Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye

Mayor Hartill introduced the following:

Resolution # 3850- Abstracts of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$147,780.08, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$3,455.33, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$9,842.72, is hereby approved for payment.

Trustee Leopold moved that this resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill – Aye
Trustee Janet Beebe – Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold – Aye
Trustee Frank Moore – Aye

Lynn commented that the County's Vital Communities meeting is tomorrow night. The 239 issue keeps coming up at these meetings. Tompkins County does not have the responsibility. Don asks if the county's master plan will match our Comprehensive Plan.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Beebe moved adjournment. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion.

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank Moore- Aye
Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:40pm.

Jodi Dake
Village Clerk