

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Wednesday, July 16, 2003, in the Village Office.

Present: Trustees Larry Fresinski, Lynn Leopold, Frank Moore; Supt. Of Public Works Dennis Reinhart; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Code & Zoning Officer Ben Curtis; Laborer PT Bryan Teeter, Deputy Clerk Carol Willard.

Larry Fresinski called the meeting to order at 12:20P.M. Dennis introduced Bryan Teeter to the Board since this is the first meeting that he has attended.

Carol Willard stated that she is getting caught up on transcribing minutes. Since she has been at training and trying to use up PTBA time, the minutes are a little behind. Carol reported that the codification should be to her by July 28th. After she incorporates all the changes it will go to David Dubow for one last review.

Larry asked Bryan what he thought of the Village. Larry stated that he likes to hear the perspective of an outsider looking in. Bryan stated that he is doing activities, which he has never done before. For instance, he spent Tuesday helping the Village of Cayuga Heights flush out sewer drains.

Lynn stated that the planters around the building have been built and planted. On July 26th is the Stormwater meeting, which she will not be able to attend. Dennis may go. Lynn and Maria Stycos have met with Katherine Wolf to discuss the Open Space Plan. They will meet monthly until the project is completed in March.

Lynn informed the Board of a free service that Dave Zorn is offering under a grant that he has received to create a model stormwater ordinance. The Board was unsure if TG Miller is already working on the EPA Phase II Stormwater Guidelines. In the past we have seen this same type of intermunicipal effort on cell towers, adult entertainment and cable commission. Lynn feels this is chance for us to be proactive.

Larry attended the 8am Community Forum on Wastewater Treatment yesterday at the Ramada. There was some confusion as to whether the meeting was in the am or pm. Many people showed up at 8pm. For those who missed the meeting Tuesday morning, the Chamber recommends taking a look at the Draft Environmental Impact Study on the City's web page: www.cityofithaca.org. Many of the questions asked at this meeting didn't even relate to the EIS.

Jodi is busy with year-end activities and processing tax and water payments. She indicated that the Board would notice that there are two abstracts for each fund this month, which has to do with how the bills are processed in the accounting system. Abstract #14 will end up being accounts payable for 2002-03.

Dennis thanked Lynn for planting around the office. The Board thought a raised flowerbed in the corner of the building would be nice. Dennis has sent out a specification sheet to those interested in doing the trail work. He has requested that all bids be in by 7/23/03 so that the project can be completed this summer. The pavement markings on N. Triphammer Road are faded. The Village usually does tape but since we will be tearing up the road in the Spring, Dennis will have it marked out in paint. Cayuga Heights Rd. will be paved. RC Wilson will be starting Sheraton and Cinema Drives. This will be completed by the end of the summer. The project includes boxing out bad areas and a 1-1/2" or 2" overlay.

Carol pointed out to Dennis that our safety and exit lights were not working so Dennis has fixed them. The end light in the parking lot isn't working. Dennis will get this fixed. It was suggested that a motion light be installed in the back.

Frank suggested that zebra striping be done at the intersection of N. Triphammer and Sevanna Park to help warn motorists of a pedestrian crossing. Dennis will have this painted and see if it works.

Ben Curtis stated that there is a hot real estate market. Roy Builders has six houses underway, has bought seven more lots and the road isn't even completed yet. Ben alerted the Trustees to the issue of stormwater run off not being a nuisance as provided in the Village's subdivision regulations. He indicated that before the Trustees accept a road the

engineer must make sure the area will not create a run off problem. People in Lansing Trails are concerned with this. Ben has mentioned this to Brent Cross. Dennis stated that the Village does not accept a road until it has gone through a winter and the final topcoat is then applied. During this time, it will give us a chance to observe how the stormwater issue is working before accepting the road.

There is a food service issue with 35 Thornwood Drive. The Business and Technology Park would like to have a deli that serves the B&T Park during business hours. It was indicated that the Board of Trustees might want to address this issue and incorporate appropriate additional provisions, if any, into the Local Law Public Hearing on August 4th.

Ben stated that urban forestry needs some consideration. Ben will be attending two conferences in September, the ICC, which will be held in Nashville, and the NYSBOC. Subway has opened in the Pyramid Mall and Victoria's Secret will open in August.

Ben explained that with the new building code there are more details to deal with. He feels it is a good process. People are more alert and involved in detail.

It was reported that Cayuga Mall is getting ready to do relamping in their parking lot. Larry had received a complaint from a resident about not being able to see around the trees in the Cayuga Mall parking lot. It was commented that it is a bad design and maybe there should be shrubs up by the crosswalk instead of trees. It was further commented that it's private property and the Village has no control.

Larry Fresinski introduced the following:

Resolution #3985 - Abstracts of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 14 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$17375.43, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$97201.94, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 14 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$54592.14, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$1055.58, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 14 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$22656.36, is hereby approved for payment and,

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$8,349.76, is hereby approved for payment

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Special Assessment Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$7,817.50, is hereby approved for payment

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

Trustee Frank Moore-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Moore moved for adjournment. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Trustee Frank Moore-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.

Jodi Dake
Village Clerk