

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, July 14, 2005 at noon in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Trustees John O'Neill, Frank Moore, Lynn Leopold; Superintendent of Public Works John Courtney; Motor Equipment Operator, Richard Beckwith; Laborer, Chris Bishop; Code & Zoning Officer, Benjamin Curtis; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Clerk, part-time Carol Willard.

Lynn Leopold called the meeting to order at 12:08 P.M. There was a moment of silence for those involved in the terrorist attack in London.

Chris reported that things were going well. He has painted the bathroom in the shop and half of the first bay has also been painted. He has learned to drive the backhoe, skidster and dump truck. Lynn stated that it is nice to see that a lot of loose ends are getting tied up.

Ben stated that he needs language for the Certificates of Occupancy he will be issuing for the houses in the Millcroft Subdivision. There is an issue of who will maintain the trails along the road. Currently the Village clears snow from sidewalks but not from trails. Rick stated that from Votapka to Janivar is a paved surface trail that is plowed in the winter. If the trail in question is along the road and a maintainable surface we may want to consider plowing it in the winter. This issue will be discussed at the Monday night Trustees meeting.

Ben stated that the Planning Board is entertaining the Urban Forestry idea. It's been a tough year for lawns. He suggested that we might want to change our regulations. There has been a problem with 3 Ayla Way because John Roy planted the lawn but the homeowner didn't maintain it.

Pyramid Mall will be adding a Regal Theater with 2400 seats and 14 screens in the old Ames space. There is also room for 2 or 3 restaurants in that area. This should change the character of the Mall.

Finally Ben stated that Bomax and Ivar Jonson are working on an agreement to connect the sewer line that will run from Bomax down to Janivar Drive.

John Courtney stated that Graham Rd. has been paved to Dart Dr. The chemicals that were in the salt barn have been disposed of. There was also a lot of junk that has been in there for years that is getting cleaned out. A new flowerbed has been done in front of the Village Office. The ditch problem in front of (Address) has been resolved. John Roy told John Courtney that he could use the escrow money that is on deposit with the Village to pay for this fix. The Village will need to get something in writing from John Roy to do this. John commented that the "to do" list is about half done, but this month they will be concentrating on roadwork, lawns and gardens. The truck is in the shop. The new one should be here by the end of the week. There was a water main break by Tops again and Suit-Kote fixed it.

Jodi stated that she has been busy with collecting taxes, July water bills and trying to close out the books for the year. This year we have to comply with GASB 34 so she has been working with the accountants on that.

Carol stated that she and Ben took a sprinkler class. The next class is Legal Aspects of Code on the 27th. When Carol was doing the minutes the subject of Codification came up and the minutes indicated that they were waiting on Carol to incorporate the recently adopted local laws. She indicated that this was done back in May so its back in the lawyers' hands. She also stated that she would be interested in buying her old computer once the Board surpluses it.

Rick stated that he, Chris and John made a good team. They work well together and are getting a lot done. In the past he's felt that he has had to baby sit the summer help all summer but this year is different.

John O'Neill stated that he and Don visited the Village of Cayuga Heights Fire Department and met with them and the

Lansing Fire Department. It was an eye opener. They see that the Mayor has a point that a good two level station can be built. The Lansing Fire Department is now going through an assessment to see what their needs are. They would like to provide room for 8 bunkers in the new station. It seems that Cornell Students are very willing to volunteer in exchange for a place to live. They are looking into the feasibility of putting a new station on the 1.03 acre lot they are already on. It is still unclear if they can build a station in a residential area. Jodi will call NYCOM to see if they can answer this question. The new fire station will be 14-17,000 square feet. A two story building would require an elevator and two staircases. Ben thought that they might have options. They could get a waiver if they can prove that an elevator is not needed because of the level of physical ability that is necessary to perform the job. NYS Building Code supercedes ADA. Ben will get verbiage to John O'Neill. Ben also suggested having the architect contact him. O'Neill stated that they are very dedicated and qualified folks at the Fire Department. There is a tremendous amount of training required in many different technical issues.

Lynn stated that the sewer committee walked and drove the three proposed transmission routes. The Town of Lansing prefers the old Shortline railroad route because it is very cost effective for them since it would be a gravity line. The question is how cost effective it would be for the Village.

Lynn introduced the following resolution:

Resolution #5165– Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$472,164.39, which includes the transfer of taxes collected for all funds, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 14 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$866.02, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$138.02, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 14 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$66,633.00, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$391,747.35, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Special Assessment Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$6882.50, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 2 for the Capital Projects Fund, in the amount of \$347,312.49, is hereby approved for payment.

Trustee O'Neill moved that this resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion.

Trustee Frank Moore-Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee John O'Neill- Aye

Motion - Adjournment

Trustee Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Trustee Frank Moore-Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill- Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 P.M.

Jodi Dake
Clerk/Treasurer