

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Wednesday September 12, 2007, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski; Trustees Lynn Leopold and Frank Moore; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Clerk PT, Carol Willard; Code & Zoning Officer, Benjamin Curtis; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney; Laborer, Marty Moseley.

Deputy Mayor Fresinski called the meeting to order at 12:15P.M. Carol stated that the deadline to receive articles for the Village of Lansing newsletter is September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Frank has spoken with Steve Farkas, Town of Lansing Supervisor, and Steve has no hope to revive the intermunicipal sewer project. Frank will work on a paper that will argue objectively for a Town of Lansing stand-alone plant. Frank has made an appointment to sit down and discuss this with Todd Cowan, Cornell University engineer. Frank will also be asking David Putnam what the analysis is. There is currently no timeline set for this to come together.

Frank commented on the letter that Bob & Carolyn Kenyon sent to the Trustees on the proposed deer hunt. In the e-mail they expressed their disappointment in hearing that the Board is planning a deer hunt on Murray Estates during bow hunting season. Ben stated that he had also talked to Susan Lustick on the phone about the hunt and she was also opposed. Susan knows specific families of deer that visit her land. Lynn Leopold stated that the deer are doing more damage to our environment now than they did in pre-settlement times. Deer are changing habitat. Larry stated that we could just say that hunting is allowed in the Village of Lansing, which is what we did in the past. Lynn stated that she walked her property with a bow hunter and if we get a permit to hunt he will hunt her land. It was also stated that rabbits were also bad, but deer have a larger impact. It was felt that rabbits have many more predators than deer.

Lynn spent one and a half hours weeding by the wall at the Pyramid entrance. Someone is weeding on the Ramada side. Ned weeded the garden on Graham Road. Lynn has also been maintaining the garden by the Trust Company. Lynn will ask the stores if they would adopt the gardens. Frank commented that the rain garden looks great.

Larry asked if we had heard anything on the insurance claim that was filed on the damaged rim. John stated that the insurance company would be paying the claim. It was suggested that next time there is a claim to send it directly to the insurance company and don't offer anything else. John commented that since this incident they have taken notice of places that are worse off than ours in other areas.

It was discovered that Lynn, John and Don would all not be able to attend the Monday September Board meeting. The only issue on the agenda was to set a public hearing on Proposed Local Law F to rezone a portion of the Business and Technology District to Human Health Services District.

Resolution #5376- To Set a Public Hearing on Monday, October 1, 2007 at 7:35 PM for Proposed Local Law F, to Consider Rezoning a Portion of the Business and Technology District to Human Health Services District

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski-Aye                      Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye                      Trustee Frank Moore-Aye

Resolution #5377- To Cancel the September 17, 2007 Board of Trustee Meeting

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski-Aye  
Moore-Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be Monday October 1, 2007.

Jodi stated that she would be attending the NYCOM Conference in Saratoga Springs next week. She would also like to set up internet banking at Tompkins Trust Company, but first needs a corporate resolution. The Trustees thought it was a good idea to have internet banking and the following resolution was presented:

Resolution #5378- Internet Banking Enrollment Execution Authority

Be it RESOLVED, that the corporation is authorized to enroll for Tompkins County Trust Company Internet Banking, and that any one of the following persons is hereby authorized to execute an Internet Banking Enrollment on behalf of this Corporation, in such form and content and upon such terms as he/she deems suitable and proper, and is further authorized to designate different or additional individuals as authorized representatives of this Corporation in accordance with the Internet Banking Enrollment.

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski-Aye  
Moore-Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank

John asked the Board to officially surplus 4 items that went to the Town of Lansing Auction this past weekend. The Mayor had previously given John permission to get rid of these unused items.

Resolution #5379 -To Surplus the following Equipment

- 1983 Chilton Trailer
- 1994 Homemade Trailer
- Snapper Mower
- John Deere 425 Riding Lawn Mower

Trustee Moore moved this resolution be adopted and Trustee Leopold seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski-Aye  
Moore-Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank

John will have these items removed from our insurance and Jodi will take them off the GASB 34 list.

It was reported that the trail from Votapka to Janivar Drive has been paved. This is the only trail that the Village currently plows in the winter. We have had a hard time keeping the rock dust from washing away. Craft Road/Janivar/Leif's Way trails were all paved. The highway crew still needs to back the edges of the trails up with dirt. Before, there was a lot of handwork that was needed to maintain the trails. John would also like to pave the heavily used Wakefield trail. This would be an 8 foot wide trail since that is how wide a paver is. If he gets permission to do this, he would also like to redo the drainage. There is also a small area with an easement issue that would have to be resolved. John estimates that it would cost about \$12,000 to do this trail. John suggested that any future development in the Village should have blacktop trails.

The PRV pit by Mary Sirois is almost complete. John estimates that the total cost for the public works department to do it was \$5,000 compared to an estimate we received from Kasonic Builders for \$16,000. It is an open vault, stairs were installed and a roof was put over it. Next they would like to have insulation sprayed in. This will take this area off the confined space list.

The concrete work next door at Mrs. Kim's is done. A monitor was replaced at Uptown Rd. John presented the quote

for a new pick up truck to the Board to review. It takes 20 weeks to get delivery. The Board expressed its general approval of purchasing the new truck but will wait to hear what the Mayor has to say. The roof on the sign shed also needs to be redone. Brush pick up will be October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Larry stated that NYSEG has fixed the streetlights on N. Triphammer Rd.

Ben reported that Bolton Point Estates will be in for a final plat approval next month. The Arleo Building is going in. To tie in the sewer they need to cut the road. John has been working with them on this. They would like to do the road cut at night because with the buses going through that area during the daytime, they can't close down the road. One of the issues with doing it at night is with the noise. It was also suggested that we contact Integrated Acquisitions and Development and see if we could temporarily cut traffic through their parking lot. It was agreed that having the work completed between 7-9 pm would be the best time.

Lynn asked where we are with getting the radar sign. John has called the Village of Moravia to talk to them about their sign and how it is working for them. Lynn also asked if they were working on cleaning up the playground. John stated that they would be removing all of the shrubs by the fence of the playground across from Dankert Park. John suggested that the playground be moved across the street. The current structure is a wood structure and might be a safety issue. A new playground would cost about \$15,000 and will be considered with next year's budget.

Ben stated that Pyramid Mall will be changing out their signs to reflect their new name. They would like to replicate our stone wall sign at Graham Rd. Ben had some inquires about mixed residential. They are looking at high end apartments above the stores at the Mall. Our Zoning Law presently does not allow apartments in Commercial High Traffic Districts. The Rose Restaurant is expanding. A Brew Pub will be opening in the Small Mall. Bishops will be closing.

Larry entertained the following motion:

Resolution #5380- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 4 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$24,160.90, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No.4 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$5,851.10, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 4 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$62.37, is hereby approved for payment

Trustee Leopold moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolution be adopted and Trustee Moore seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski-Aye                      Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye                      Trustee Frank Moore-Aye

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Deputy Mayor-Larry Fresinski-Aye                      Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye                      Trustee Frank Moore-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:47 PM.

Dake

Jodi  
Clerk/Treasurer