

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, April 16, 2009, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Hartill; Trustees Larry Fresinski, John O'Neill, and Lynn Leopold; Fire Inspector, Mike Arthur; Code & Zoning Officer, Benjamin Curtis; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney; Laborers, Marty Moseley and Adam LaLonde.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 12:18

John Courtney reported that they were well into spring maintenance of the roadways and other Village infrastructure. The roadway sweeping was nearly complete. Shopping carts left along the roadways and sidewalks are a continuing problem. Need signage stating that moving the carts beyond the mall premises is theft of property. The highway department will install the pipe in the ditch near the former Billy Bob Jack parcel so that Bob Butler can go forward with the proposed local farmers market on that property. Ben commented on all the other matters (parking, sanitation, and traffic flow) that have to be attended to before giving the final ok.

Lynn reported on the Municipal Officials meeting giving information about gas drilling to extract gas from the Marcellus Shale formation that is about 8000 feet below the surface for the Finger Lakes region and Northern Pennsylvania. An environmental lawyer and an environmental engineer made the presentations. Concerns are heavy equipment needed for the drilling tearing up roadways, road building for access to sites, etc. Waste water is also a big problem. A hole requires from 4 to 6 million gallons of water for the drilling operation plus the fracturing required to actually get the gas. In addition to the water there will be as much as 56,000 gallons of chemicals that are used as part of the drilling and fracturing operation for each well. DEC is revising its drilling regulations. Need to watch the Environmental Notice Bulletin to monitor what is going on.

Lynn continued with comments on storm water regulations listing what we have to do to satisfy the state which still hasn't funded the program. Lynn said the Stormwater Coalition of Tompkins County is discussing possibly following the lead of Chemung County and hiring a regional coordinator perhaps housed in Soil and Water. She stated that the DEC Stormwater annual report is even worse this year, some 50 pages or so.

Larry had nothing to report other than comments that he had received about the poor condition of the private section of Northwood Road. The Mayor suggested that this might be an opportunity to speed up the dedication of the roadway to the Village and said he would check with Dave Putnam on the progress.

Resolution #5520-To Authorize the Code & Zoning Officer to Issue a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy for the Oplinger's at 11 Millcroft Way with an Expire Date of October 19, 2009 and a Security Deposit of \$400.

Trustee Fresinski approved this resolution and Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye

Mike reported that he was continuing to work on a fire inspection check list for property owners and that several slow property owners had finally passed their inspections. Last quarter has been good for inspections but slow. He is making progress on the state report.

Ben mentioned that the Tops gas station will be coming before the Planning Board and that the location will be in the back corner of the property next to Route 13. The Parkview Medical Center has added 30 parking places. The Vineyard Church is underway. Ben stated that he had been approached by Bob Butler, John's brother to establish a local farmers market on the property that they own across the street from the Village Office. He stated that it is a permitted use of the property under our zoning ordinance. The first house on the Crossmore subdivision will be coming to the Planning Board soon and the contractor will be Richard Jump. He stated that the Zoning Review is underway and that Carol Klepack will be retiring from the Planning Board at the end of this month.

Marty reported that spring work was going well and that the kiosk is installed at Dankert Park. He also stated that the flower boxes are fixed. Lynn requested a little help with plantings along Triphammer Road. Marty and Adam agreed to help out.

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.

Donald Hartill
Mayor