

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, September 15, 2011, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees John O'Neill, Lynn Leopold, Patricia O'Rourke and Julie Baker; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney; Laborer, Adam LaLonde, Nolan Hatfield; Code & Zoning Officer, Marty Moseley; Engineer, David Putnam.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 12:04pm.

John Courtney stated that the highway department has started working on the storm sewer on Dart Drive. They ran into a few problems at first because they hit rock and couldn't complete the 24 inch section because they had the wrong fittings. So, the guys moved onto the 18 inch pipe. There is 300 feet in the ground now. Pro Lawn is helping with the storm sewer project.

The plan is to pave Burdick Hill Road after the water project is complete in October. Lynn asked about the tree inventory. John has not updated this.

The 2008 Truck went to auction and sold for \$20,000. Roy Teitsworth will be sending us a check for \$18,000, which has removed their commission. John stated that we anticipated that the truck would bring \$15,000 so this was good.

John has been handling complaints. There was a tree down on Hemlock Lane Sunday night. The highway crew spent the day Monday cleaning up that tree. The stump was decayed. The garage is getting seamless gutters today.

Julie asked Don why the emergency access issue was any different for Coventry Walk area than for her neighborhood on Hemlock. Don stated that the length of the road sets the scale. The criteria are that for both Ivar Jonson's development and Coventry the maximum number of houses you can have is 19. Don stated that the process is going forward with Tompkins County Planning. We are trying to understand the traffic situation in the area of the Lansing Reserve PDA. The developers are aware that we are going to be delayed with our response. The Board should have a proposal to vote on at the Monday night meeting.

Adam had nothing additional to report.

John O'Neill asked why BJ's wasn't paying for the sewer line that goes behind the mall. Don explained that it is our line that we are replacing. As you may recall, we had a sewer break behind the mall a few years ago. John Courtney added that they are building a detention pond and our line is there. Because of this we had a meeting with them and our engineer to talk about getting permission to access our main. We will have full access of

the sewer line. Dave Putnam added that he sent Eric Goetzmann a sketch of how to get sewer off their lot.

Lynn Leopold stated that she walked the Wakefield Trail and it is very obvious that people are driving through there. This is the construction path between Stone Creek and Nor Way. It is currently private land but the plan is for it to be a future road. Don will be meeting with Ivar Jonson tomorrow regarding road dedication so he will also discuss this with him. Marty added that after the six buildings that Ivar is building now are complete, Ivar will not be able to build any more until the road connecting to Janivar is built. Lynn stated that the trails are nice and get used a lot.

Lynn stated that the DMAP Application has gone in. They requested 70 tags. The regulations have changed and now each hunter is allowed to use four tags. Lynn will not be at the September 27th joint meeting. Lastly, Lynn informed the board that NYSDEC will be doing a stormwater and green infrastructure training.

Don stated that on Monday the Board will be discussing the Tompkins County Planning proposal and what we should do to resolve the issue in the Dart Drive area. Studies can be interpreted in many ways and it is important that we get an uninvolved agency to look at this situation. There will be a charge by Tompkins County Planning but the Mayor doesn't understand why they charge when we already pay taxes and they have a department of nine people and no legislative authority.

Don informed the Board of the movement to have a resolution in place so that you can override the property tax cap. Don feels the State has put the cart before the horse on this issue. Don met with US Rep. Richard Hanna last Wednesday. The Mayor from Owego was also at this meeting and explained the devastation in her area. Owego was still under water on Saturday, they lost their sewer plant and 6,000+ buildings were evacuated. John Courtney stated that he is thankful for the good designs of detention ponds and culverts in the Village. We had seven inches of rain and no problems in the Village.

Jodi stated that since the full Board was present she would like to get the outstanding minutes approved.

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from June 16, 2011

Trustee O'Neill moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Clerk/Treasurer and the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Abstain
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Abstain
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from August 15, 2011

Trustee Leopold moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Clerk/Treasurer and the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Abstain

Trustee Julie Baker-Abstain
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

There is a request for the Board of Trustees to have a joint meeting with the Planning Board on September 27th. The main purpose is to consider Proposed Local Law G and listen to the proposal from Arrowhead Ventures regarding proposed additional uses in the Lansing Reserve PDA.

Resolution #5755- To Schedule a Joint Meeting With The Planning Board for September 27, 2011 at 7:30pm.

Trustee Baker moved this resolution. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Abye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Mayor Hartill stated that the Board has all received a copy of Proposed Local Law G (2011) to (i) amend and expand the uses permitted with Special Permit, general conditions, in Area A (the designated commercial area) of the Lansing Meadows PDA so as to include the new use “Members only fuel station;” (ii) amend and expand the uses permitted with Special Permit, general and additional conditions, in Area B (the designated residential area) of the Lansing Meadows PDA so as to include the new use “Planned Development Area clustered housing;” and (iii) amend accordingly Section 145-3 [entitled “Terms defined”], Section 145-42.1 [entitled “Lansing Meadows PDA”], Section 145-60 [entitled “Additional conditions for certain Special Permit uses”], and Section 145-82 [entitled “Typical uses; category of use”] of Chapter 145 [entitled “Zoning”] of the Village of Lansing Code. Don would like to hold a public hearing on this proposed law during the joint meeting with the Planning Board.

Resolution #5756- To Schedule a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law G (2011) (2011) Amendment to Village of Lansing Code-Zoning Law- Lansing Meadows PDA for September 27, 2011 at 7:30pm

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O’Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O’Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Jodi stated that the Village has received the official paper work for the change order to remove the Oakcrest Water Tank Floor. This work was previously approved on August 15th but another official resolution has to be done now that we have the final cost of \$3,500. David Putnam commented that this is very inexpensive. Gorick Construction Co. has completed the project and a request for payment is included in the Water Fund vouchers.

Resolution #5757 -To Authorize Mayor Hartill to Sign Oakcrest Tank Removal Project Change Order #2 for the Additional Work to Remove the Tank Floor for \$3,500.

Trustee Baker moved this resolution. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O’Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O’Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

There was a meeting with LRS Excavating Inc. regarding the 2011 Water System Improvement Project. It was proposed to move the Burdick Hill water main to between the Bolton Point Main and the gas main. This would cause less damage to the lawns and plantings and would result in a credit to the Village of Lansing for \$7,467.

Resolution #5758 -To Authorize Mayor Hartill to Sign 2011 Water System Improvement Project Change Order #1 to Change the Location of the Water Main at Contractors Request Resulting in a Decrease in the Contract of \$7,467

Trustee Baker moved this resolution. Trustee O’Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O’Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O’Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

In order to relocate the above mentioned water main, the Village had to obtain a Letter of Permission from the Infante Residents to allow us to permanently remove trees, shrubs and related plantings including, but not limited to, four conifer trees and one Black Walnut tree, temporarily excavate and backfill the boring pit and then rake and reseed disturbed area upon completion in consideration of \$7,000. Before we can proceed the Board must authorize the Mayor to sign this Letter of Permission.

Resolution #5759 -To Authorize Mayor Hartill to Sign the Letter of Permission with Philip J Infante and Jennifer Kloiber Infante Authorizing Payment of \$7,000 to Them

Trustee O'Rourke moved this resolution. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Jodi stated that the 2008 Chevy Truck that went to auction needs to be surplused.

Resolution #5780 -To Surplus the 2008 Green King Cab Silverado Truck with Plow and Send to the Lansing Auction.

Trustee Baker moved this resolution. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Jonathan Kanter, Planning Board Alternate, has requested to go to the NY Planning Federation Conference on October 9-11 in Albany. Jonathan has already completed his necessary training and there is a concern that there are other Planning Board and Zoning Board members that need training. The Board agreed to let Jonathan attend the conference as long as he returned with the information and holds training sessions for the other Board members.

Resolution #5781 -To Allow Jonathan Kanter to Attend the NY Planning Federation Conference in Albany New York on October 9-11, 2011

Trustee O'Neill moved this resolution. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Mayor Hartill entertained a motion to approve the vouchers.

Resolution #5782- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 4 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$103,964.18 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 4 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$410,645.54, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 4 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$56,265.29, is hereby approved for payment

Trustee Leopold moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolutions be adopted and Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion.

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill -Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Jodi stated that she will be going to the NYCOM Conference next week and will be doing payroll this week before she leaves. Jodi asked John Courtney if he anticipated any overtime. John thought they may have up to five hours of overtime but the guys all agreed to be paid for a straight 80 hours and receive any overtime the next pay period.

Patricia O'Rourke attended the Youth Council Meeting on Tuesday. She will be attending the Community Coalition for Healthy Youth seminar next week which costs \$15.

Resolution #5783 -To Allow Patricia O'Rourke to Attend the Community Coalition for Healthy Youth Seminar

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill -Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill-Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Marty stated that the DPW Garage is very close to being completed. Kionix has been doing extensive remodeling in the last year. 7 Rockcress Lane needs to put soil back and clean out the ditch and then that permit can be closed out. BJ's stormwater ponds are in, they will be finishing the roof next week, a framing inspection was done today and they will pour two portions of the interior concrete next week. John asked if BJ's would have diesel fuel. It will not. Extra Mart gas is cheaper than the Mobil station here in the Village. Jodi will look into getting a credit card for there and see if they will remove the tax off our bill each month like Mobil does. Marty has also been working on getting a

sidewalk beside the Mobil station. Lehigh Gas and Centro Properties are both in favor of allowing a sidewalk. Marty has also spoken with Brian Qui (need spelling from Marty) regarding the possibility of doing fire inspections for us. He is a firefighter in Ithaca.

The on/off ramps at Route 13 still have not been repaired. Don will write a letter. Don stated that Rep. Hanna is on the transportation subcommittee and was responsible for passing the Transportation Act. This increases the General fund funding by 30%. Don updated the Board on his discussions with Hanna. Don is very discouraged because he feels there is no responsibility in the leadership of this country.

Marty would like to attend two classes, the Fire Academy Training in Montour Falls and continuing education in Cortland in October.

Resolution #5784 -To Allow Marty Moseley to Attend the Fire Academy Training in Montour Falls on September 27th and continuing education in Cortland on October 12th & 13th.

Trustee O'Neill moved this resolution. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill –Aye
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Nolan Hatfield stated that everything was going well. They've been working on storm sewers.

Marty stated that he has been approached by Ciao! to have take out service. They are in a Commercial Low Traffic Zone so they would need a special permit. Lynn stated that she had no problem with this since the main use is a sit down restaurant and take out would be secondary. The rest of the Board agreed.

Lynn stated that she will be attending a seminar tomorrow at the sailing center regarding the hydrilla that was found in the lake by Johnson's Marina. If not controlled, this could be a very serious issue.

Marty informed the Board that the Town of Dryden is being sued by an energy company over their recent Zoning Law amendment prohibiting fracking in the Town, and the State will not back them.

Mayor Hartill stated that some issues relating to the new Village Office building will be discussed at Monday night's meeting. There are some decisions that need to be made in the next couple of weeks so that we can proceed with the building design. There are concerns regarding the overhead power lines to the pump station, moving the water lines and where to place the building. Lynn and Julie would like to see the building out front

so it is more visible from the road. The Mayor asked the Board to think about these things because they would be discussing them further at Monday's meeting.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Leopold moved for adjournment. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:48pm.

Jodi Dake
Clerk/Treasurer