

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, May 17, 2018, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees Ronny Hardaway, and Gerry Monaghan; Code & Zoning Officer Adam Robbs; Working Supervisor, John Courtney; MEO Nolan Hatfield and Chris Zavaski; Fire Inspector Brian Quadrozzi.

Pre-meeting:

Courtney discussed Village conversion to LED bulbs and the new lights being installed on the Mall-to-Shannon-Park pathway.

Hardaway handed out the report that the Clerk/Treasurer prepared since she could not be at the meeting.

Mayor Hartill called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:25 pm.

Courtney: Painting and striping of Village roads is underway. The DPW is busy converting from winter to spring projects. Paving at the new park has started. New tractor is working well. Limbwalker Tree Service was contacted about removing trees on Beckett Way, and looking at replacement trees. Courtney will contact Jodi to talk about use of grant money within Village. The DPW crew has done a lot of mowing in the Village. DPW will work on mulching around Village Office.

Our two, new message signs are up: one at Sevanna Park entrance. Hartill asked about sports field in Marian Hartill Park. Courtney said that work will be done out of next year's budget. Lots of questions about the sports field's status from people.

Monaghan asked that Uptown Road sidewalks be "filled in" – also sidewalks around the Mall. DPW crew has been waiting for sod to grow in around sidewalks, and they will monitor the sidewalks for problems.

The new skid steer's laser leveling system is very handy and has been great for the new park area. NYSEG has contacted Courtney about new gas line on Cayuga Heights Road, but the new gas line would not help the Village residents.

Hatfield: Has been doing lots of mowing.

Zavaski: Repairing catch basins and mowing.

Monaghan: Met with Beth Tanner, head of mall security, to talk about lack of perimeter security – especially on the path between the mall and Shannon Park neighborhood. The Mall security staff was reduced to one or two people. New lighting will help.

Asked Robbs about building permits at Trip Hotel – Robbs: they are not in violation at

this time but he is investigating – maybe fire code issues. Tried two communications with no success – next will be a certified letter. Hardaway commented that Village Code might need to be updated to put a time limit on future demolition permits.

Hartill: Is investigating getting Sevanna Park Road turned over to the Village. Village ownership of the road would improve public safety with traffic control and better curb cuts. Still waiting for progress on Graham Road West dedication to Village. Robbs: mall owners will be repaving “soon” – around summer.

Town/Village sewer project - waiting to hear from Dave Herrick about progress.

Hardaway: A final draft of the Village Greenway Plan is ready, and will be distributed to Trustees for review. Hartill foresees having the plan ready for release by summer.

There is a new, Wordpress-based web design, and it will be distributed to trustees and staff for review.

Hardaway attended a state/county-sponsored Consolidated Funding Agreement seminar last Friday. Lots of grants available. Commercial grants are available, and residential grants are available. There are no state grants available for mixed-use projects. County Legislators have started informal conversations about approaching state for mixed-use grants to help faltering mall locations throughout the state.

Monaghan: Discussion about the Village path between Cinema Drive and Uptown Road. Courtney – we plow that path in the winter. Hardaway – it is included in the new Greenway Plan.

Quadrozzi – Started a discussion about local law to inspect food trucks. The trucks are dangerous due to carbon monoxide risks and possible propane explosions. He would like to see potential Food Truck “rodeo” in the area. Proposed using the same requirements as City for reciprocity and consistency for businesses. Robbs: maybe a County-Legislature initiative is needed. Quadrozzi will review a copy of the City’s regulations and will send a draft to Trustees.

Robbs: Planning Board meeting – NYSEG tower was discussed. Tower is higher than code allows but has been over-engineered so that risks of falling are mitigated. Lansing Meadows – Planning Board had questions to be answered by Eric Goetzmann for next meeting. Triphammer Road development behind M&T Bank – the Planning Board will not approve permit if traffic access is through M&T Bank. Currently, access is denied onto Sevanna Park’s road.

No recent BZA meetings.

Bomax Drive property- clearing work has started. Stormwater problems occurred during construction and they are to be mitigated. Courtney – Park Grove sidewalk design is too narrow for the location. Courtney recommends concrete walks because they would hold

up better. Park Grove hopes to have the first two buildings completed by Spring 2019.

Ferris requested an electric fee update. Also requested a trip-charge reduction. Robbs will make up a list and will submit to Trustees.

Robbs handed out a draft of new Village Code regarding chicken and animal regulations for the Village. Currently, Village uses Town of Lansing regulations, but those regulations do not really apply to the Village.

Robbs attended a Soil & Water Conservation meeting. Because we are a MS4 area, we do not have to complete a state-required survey this year. However, the state is ramping up verification of MS4 areas, so we will be surveyed relatively soon.

Monaghan: Any word on the mosque's progress? Robbs: Mosque did not want to pay for sprinklers, so they are negotiating with designers & builders on affordable alternatives that meet code requirements.

Courtney: Can we stop Cayuga View from parking and offloading on Cinema Drive? The trucks' weight is ruining the road's shoulder. Robbs: we are looking at ways to stop this.

Courtney: Burdick Hill development discussion – currently on hold due to stop-work order due to culvert issues.

Robbs: House on Leif's Way – more Lansing Trails neighbors are now complaining about transient residents. No zoning law infractions are obvious to Robbs, so no violation or citation is warranted. He requested continued guidance from the Trustees to address the complaints.

Monaghan: Abdel Moujtahid, who owns a cell phone repair service in the mall, is interested in serving on the BZA. His contact information is:

607-229-6336

moujtahid-usa@hotmail.com

Mayor Hartill entertained a motion to approve the vouchers.

Resolution #6492- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 12 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$41,723.87, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 12 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$258,252.23, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 12 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$22,443.19, is hereby approved for payment.

Trustee Monaghan moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolutions be adopted, and Trustee Hardaway seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Gerry Monaghan-Aye

Trustee Ronny Hardaway-Aye

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Monaghan moved for adjournment. Trustee Hardaway seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Gerry Monaghan-Aye

Trustee Ronny Hardaway-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 pm.

Minutes recorded by Ronny Hardaway, Trustee