

Village of Lansing
Planning Board Meeting
Minutes of Monday,
July 12, 2021

Lisa Schleelein was only able to attend via Zoom. Mike Baker was the designated Chair
The meeting of the Village of Lansing Planning Board was called to order at 7:13 PM

Present at the meeting:

Planning Board Members: Mike Baker, Anthony Ingraffea, James McCauley, Monica Moll, Lisa Schleelein (Attending via Zoom and unable to vote)

Alternate Member: None

Village Legal Counsel: William Troy

Village Engineer: Absent

Village Trustee Liaison: Simon Moll

Village CEO: Michael Scott

Public included: Nick Smith and Jack Vandenabeele representing Airosmith Development.

Baker welcomed everyone back to the first in-person meeting for some time. Baker recognized Schleelein as a participating member without the ability to vote.

Approval of the Minutes

Moll moved to approve the minutes of June 14, 2021. Ingraffea seconded.

Ayes: Baker, Ingraffea, McCauley, and Moll

Nays: None

Public Comment Period:

With no one wishing to speak, Moll moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by McCauley.

Ayes: Baker, Ingraffea, McCauley, and Moll

Nays: None

Baker opened the public hearing and read the following from the agenda:

Public Hearing for Special Permit #2021-4496

DISH Network Corporation is proposing to make some changes to the communication tower owned by Diamond Communications, LLC located at 2309 North Triphammer Road (Tax parcel #46.1-5-4.2/99). The proposal includes the installation of a new 3-panal antenna array at 76' along with associated equipment on the ground inside of the existing fenced compound. As per Village Code 145-43D(1)(a) and 145-60J, a special permit is required for any alteration of a telecommunications facility.

42 Scott confirmed that he had the public hearing mail receipts. Scott also said that the GML-239
43 from the County came back with no negative impacts and no conditions. A short EAF would be
44 required for this project which the applicant had provided.

45 Nick Smith reviewed the project showing the positioning of the new antennas and the platform.
46 Smith provided a structural engineering report indicating the tower capacity to be at 27.1 % after
47 the proposed installation and the foundation capacity at 35.2%.

48 The proposal does not increase the height of the tower.

49 Schleelein asked if the capacity had any direct link to how the tower would fall in case of a
50 structural failure.

51 Smith indicated that most towers are built with “intentional breakpoints” so as to collapse a certain
52 way as safely as possible. Smith also said that the tower at the Cayuga Mall has one of the lowest
53 capacity percentages he currently knows of in the area.

54 Ingraffea noted that the structural analysis should be sufficient for Brent Cross to review.

55 The proposed new platform is significantly smaller than the existing platforms.

56 Public hearing will remain open

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58 **Other Business**

59 Schleelein asked about the progress of the Sidewalk proposed law. It will be reviewed at the next
60 Board of Trustees meeting for a possible public hearing date.

61 Schleelein also said that Greenwald is working on a solar array proposal for review. There was
62 previous work done on this topic a few years back but that proposal was never finished. Schleelein
63 would like a future discussion about free standing solar arrays and the effects on neighboring
64 properties.

65 Scott pointed out that currently, as per Village Code, free standing solar arrays are classified as
66 accessory buildings as long as they are less than 400 square feet and less than 15 feet high.

67 Scott continued by saying that he needs to schedule a Lighting Commission meeting to continue
68 to work on the proposed lighting law. Scott is also working on a repeat violation proposal.

69 Simon Moll will distribute information about a tree law.

70 Baker asked Scott to review the East Pointe Apartments request to open up the western
71 exit/entrance.

72 Scott said that Mayor Hardaway receive a letter from an East Pointe representative asking that
73 their western entry be opened up for regular use. Scott had reviewed the minutes and resolution
74 from the developments Planning Board approval. The resolution did not state a condition
75 restricting the use of that exit/entrance after the project was completed, only during construction
76 were large trucks restricted from using it. In the minutes, there were concerned conversations about
77 possible increased traffic from East Pointe Apartments traveling through the Lansing Trails area.

78 Cross did not express any concerns to Scott during a conversation they had the day before this
79 meeting. Scott believes that Courtney does have issues with the structure of the entry but, would
80 suggest that the Planning Board get those in Courtney's own words.

81 Baker recalled the meetings that reviewed the East Pointe project and agreed that the intention for
82 closing that western exit/entrance was to promote traffic to use Warren Road. Baker has spoken to
83 a few residents in Lansing Trails that have concern about increased traffic in their area.

84 McCauley is interested in hearing what Courtney has to say about the durability of that entry but
85 is not convinced that opening the entry up would increase traffic through Lansing Trails which is
86 slowed by several turns and traffic signs.

87 Baker pointed out that with opening the western exit/entry, it would probably relieve some of the
88 congested traffic within the East Pointe Apartments.

89 Moll asked if there was an issue with the grade or quality of that entry to handle increased traffic.

90 Schleelein agreed with Baker and added that less congestion within East Pointe Apartments would
91 also keep children in that area safer. Schleelein also agrees that the increase traffic through Lansing
92 Trails would be minimal.

93 Baker suggested that if East Pointe is allowed to use that entry, there should be a condition that if
94 traffic from there becomes an issue for Lansing Trails that the entry be closed back up.

95 Moll asked what would be some of the effects on the road if that entry isn't built to the standard
96 required for increased traffic. Scott described some possible scenarios such as cracking and
97 wrinkling.

98 The Planning Board will wait for Courtney's recommendation. Scott will reach out to Courtney.

99 Scott gave an update on the Mall and Lansing Meadows.

100 The Planning Board asked Scott to see if he could video the interior of the Lansing Meadows
101 buildings and the site itself for the Board to view.

102 **Trustee Report**

103 McCauley gave his report. Refer to the June 28, 2021 Board of Trustee minutes for an update.

104 **Adjournment**

105 Baker asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:01 PM.

106 Moved by Ingraffea. Seconded by Moll.

107 Ayes: Baker, Ingraffea, McCauley, and Moll

108 Nays: None

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110 Minutes taken by: Michael Scott, CEO