

Village of Lansing
Planning Board Meeting
Minutes of Tuesday,
July 25, 2023

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The meeting of the Village of Lansing Planning Board meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. A Zoom option was also provided.

Present at the meeting:

- Planning Board Members:** Mike Baker, Lorraine Capogrossi, Pat Gillespie, Jim McCauley, and Lisa Schleelein
- Alternate Member:** Yamila Fournier
- Village Legal Counsel:** Wendy Marsh
- Village Engineer:** Brent Cross (Zoom)
- Village Trustee Liaison:** Susan Ainslie (Zoom)
- Village CEO:** Michael Scott

Public included: Eric Goetzmann (Zoom) and Carla Marceau representing the Community Party.

Approval of the Minutes

Gillespie moved to approve the July 10, 2023 Planning Board minutes. Seconded by Capogrossi.
Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Gillespie, McCauley and Schleelein.
Nays: None

Public Comment Period:

Susan Ainslie stated that she was the Board of Trustee Liaison. Carla Marceau stated that she was there representing the Community Party.

Schleelein moved to close the Public Comment period. Seconded by McCauley.

Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Gillespie, McCauley and Schleelein.
Nays: None

Baker read the following agenda item:

Review of Special Permit #2021-4516 Lansing Meadows

Eric Goetzmann has requested to meet with the Planning Board to discuss the on-going Project.

Goetzmann has provided a letter requesting a change to some of the conditions of Special Permit 2021-4516.

45 Goetzmann stated that the building process has stopped due to the ongoing litigation with the
46 Industrial Development Agency (IDA) and is asking the Planning Board to extend the deadlines
47 stated in conditions “n” and “p” of the 2021-4516 Special Permit Resolution. Goetzmann would like
48 the Phase II deadline for installation of the foundations extended from July 26, 2023 to July 26, 2024
49 and the completion of Phase II extended from October 21, 2023 to October 21, 2024. Until the
50 litigation is settled, Goetzmann does not have the financing secured therefore, his contractors will
51 not build the 2 remaining buildings until he does.

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53 Baker stated that the Planning Board just received Goetzmann’s letter and has not had time to review
54 it.

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56 Marsh asked Goetzmann to provide more information about the IDA litigation (which was requested
57 at the last meeting).

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59 Goetzmann stated that he did not have any other information at that time.

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61 Schleelein asked when Goetzmann found out about the IDA pulling back the PILOT for the project.
62 Goetzmann said he found out last fall when BJ’s received a tax bill.

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64 Baker stated that the Planning Board would review the request and take it up at the next meeting to
65 determine if Goetzmann’s proposed amendment is a major or minor change to the original special
66 permit.

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68 Goetzmann asked the Planning Board to allow the extension so that the project could continue to
69 completion as soon as the litigation is done. Goetzmann needs the PILOT back in place to continue
70 the job.

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72 **Discussion of Solar Array Draft Law**

73 *The Planning Board will be reviewing and discussing a draft of the proposed Solar Array Law.*

74 Baker stated that the Planning Board has received an updated Solar Law and updated Unified Solar
75 Permit Application for review. The Planning Board reviewed the Unified Solar Permit Application
76 and provided some possible changes. Scott will send the draft Unified Solar Permit Application to
77 Gillespie and Fournier for improvements.

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79 The Planning Board reviewed the new draft of the proposed Solar Law. Changes will be sent to
80 Baker.

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82 **Trustee Report**

83 No meeting to report on.

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85 **Other Business**

86 Scott spoke to the Planning Board about a possible joint meeting with the Board of Trustees to
87 review a possible PDA proposal. The meeting would be on August 7th at 7:30 p.m..

88 All agreed to attend.

89 Scott reviewed upcoming agenda items.

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91 **Adjournment**

92 McCauley moved to adjourn at 7:43. Seconded by Schleelein.

93 Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Gillespie, McCauley and Schleelein.

94 Nays: None

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96 Minutes taken by: Michael Scott, CEO