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2	Village of Lansing
3	Planning Board Meeting
4	Minutes of Tuesday,
5	February 27, 2024
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8	The meeting of the Village of Lansing Planning Board meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM. A
9	Zoom option was also provided.
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11	Present at the meeting:
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13	Planning Board Members: Mike Baker, Lorraine Capogrossi, Pat Gillespie, Jim McCauley
14	(Zoom).
15	Alternate Member: Yamila Fournier
16	Village Legal Counsel: Natalie French
17	Village Engineer: Not in Attendance
	Village Trustee Liaison: Susan Ainslie (Zoom)
19	Village CEO: Michael Scott
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21	Public included: Carla Marceau representing the Community Party. Hope Anderson representing
22	Northeast Pediatrics, LLC
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24	Baker appointed Fournier as a voting member in place of Schleelein who is absent. Also,
25	McCauley is on Zoom but is a voting member.
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27	Approval of the Minutes
28	Gillespie moved to approve the January 12, 2024 minutes. Seconded by Fournier.
29	Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Fournier, Gillespie and McCauley.
30	Nays: None
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32	Public Comment Period:
33	Susan Ainslie as Trustee liaison. Carla Marceau is observing for the Community Party.
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35	Gillespie moved to close the Public Comment period. Seconded by Capogrossi.
36	Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Fournier, Gillespie and McCauley.
37	Nays: None
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39	Baker read the following agenda item:
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41	Continue the Public Hearing for Special Permit #2024-4740
42	Northeast Pediatrics, LLC, located at 10 Graham Road West (Tax Parcel #47.1-1-17.12), is
43	proposing to construct additional parking spaces for their facility. As per Village Code Sections
44	145-42.2C(1) and 145-58B(2), a Special Permit is required.

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- 46 Scott stated that Anderson has made the changes to the Short EAF as requested by the Planning
- 47 Board and has provided the Planning Board with a tree survey of the current plantings at Northeast
- 48 Pediatrics. The survey was done by Greater Ithaca Landscape and Scott made a few changes on the
- 49 "unit" calculation. Some of the trees were actually just off of the property line and should not be
- 50 counted. Conversely, new trees and shrubs were not counted near the front of the building.

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- 52 After the changes, there was a total of 21.5 existing units. With the total calculation of needed
- 53 units for the existing size of the property being 42.6 units, Northeast Pediatrics would need an
- additional 21 units to comply with the Village Tree Law.

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- 56 Baker stated that number would essentially double the trees on that property which is not a large
- 57 parcel to begin with. Baker added that issues like this are items that need to be looked into when
- 58 the Planning Board reviews this law. Until then, as the law states, either the needed units must be
- 59 added to the property, a payment to the Tree Bank given or some combination of both.

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- 61 French stated that the amount of the payment to the Tree Bank would be determined by DPW
- 62 Supervisor John Courtney. The Planning Board can decrease that payment amount but, cannot
- 63 increase the amount.

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- 65 Scott added that the "Street Tree" requirement in the Village Tree Law has been satisfied with the
- 66 current planting at the facility.

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- Fournier said that the applicant should provide a proposed planting plan and the remaining need
- on units be calculated and a payment to the Tree Bank be provided.

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- 71 Anderson stated that Northeast Pediatrics has already started a proposed planting plan and will
- 72 work to finalize that.

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- 74 Scott suggested planting some trees near the existing parking spaces to the west to satisfy the
- 75 "Parking Lot Tree" section of the Law. Scott will provide Anderson with the Tree Law language.
- 77 The Planning Board will wait until the next meeting to finalize the Short EAF Part 2 and 3 and
- 78 keep the Public Hearing open.

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- 80 Trustee Report
- 81 No Board of Trustees meeting due to Presidents' Day

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- 83 Other Business
- 84 Baker and Schleelein did not get a chance to meet and discuss necessary changes to the Village
- 85 Code.

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- 87 French provided a draft to reflect how to handle a lot line change that is much clearer than the
- 88 current language.

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90 91	Baker said that the Northeast Pediatrics Special Permit is a good example of why the Tree Law needs some tweaking or at least some different rules for Commercial versus Residential.
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93	Scott noted a few issues with the calculation of units.
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95	Fournier wonders if shrubs should be counted as units at all.
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97	The Planning Board discussed possible changes to the Tree Law and will get into it more when the
98	topic is on the agenda.
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L00	Scott will ask John Courtney to provide an estimate for the planting of a 2" caliper tree.
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L02	Fournier has contacted a landscape professional who is willing to come before the Planning Board
L03	and answer any questions and provide some guidance.
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L05	<u>Adjournment</u>
L06	Fournier moved to adjourn at 7:39. Seconded by Capogrossi.
L07	Ayes: Baker, Capogrossi, Fournier, Gillespie and McCauley.
L08	Nays: None
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110 Minutes taken by: Michael Scott, CEO