

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, March 18, 2002, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees Janet Beebe, Larry Fresinski; Dave Putnam, TG Miller Engineer; Bill Troy, Village Attorney.

Mayor Donald Hartill called the meeting to order at 7:42P.M. Mayor Hartill opened the public comment period. There were no comments.

Motion- To Close the Public Comment Period

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to close the public comment period. Trustee Janet Beebe seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye

Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye

Dave Putnam was present to give an engineer's report. The 3 new flow meters will be installed Wednesday. Dave is busy getting the bid out for Cayuga Heights Road. The guardrails will need to be replaced. He asked the Board if they would like galvanized or corten box beams. They are approximately both around \$8/ft. The only real difference is that galvanized are shiny and corten is more rustic looking. The Board agreed that they would prefer corten. Don ask Dave to look into getting a mirror for the bad corner at Twin Glens Rd. Dave will check to see if it will cause a problem or have any legalities. Waterlines on Cayuga Heights Road will also need to be replaced. Don questioned what they would do because a headwall is right over the waterline. Dave stated that they would go around it. He plans on running temporary water lines and then put the lines right back in the existing trench. The culvert before Cedar Lane will also be replaced.

Bill Troy reported that the Bankruptcy Trustee has agreed he is not going to oppose the motion on Uptown Rd. Project. We will then be able to pay surety bond company and finally complete Uptown Rd.

Don told Dave that he would like to go ahead and accept the small section of Horizon Drive that is in the Village. The Cima's currently own it and haven't paid the taxes on it and would like the Village to take it over. The parcel # is 44.1-1-38.12.

Don chatted with Frank regarding the cell tower. Byron Elias is still interested in using the brush covered corner of the playground on Uptown Rd. Don asked if this area is actually designated parkland because it is across the street from Dankert Park. Bill Troy will research this. Byron agreed to access the property by foot, with no driveway and will get an easement from Integrated to access up their driveway. Don authorized Bill Troy to contact their attorneys and go forward with the license.

Next on the agenda was budget discussion. On the income side, In Lieu of Taxes will increase from \$7,500 to \$22,000. The tax deals are winding down and as this happens, the percentage these companies pay increases. Penalties will decrease from \$5,000 to \$2,500 to reflect what has been happening over the last two years. Don reduced gross receipts by 13% due to the reduction by 13% in NYSEG Rates.

On the expense side, listed are changes and why.

A1210.4 Mayor Contractual- Lowered from \$200 to \$100 since has spent under \$100 the last 2 years.

A1320.41 Auditor GASB 34- The accountants are not ready to start on this yet so the \$5,000 we budgeted this year will be encumbered and there will be no need to allocate any more money to this until the following budget year.

A1410.2 Clerk, Equipment-Last year it was increased to \$3,000 to buy a fireproof filing cabinet so this year it can go back down to \$500.

A1415.2 Deputy Clerk, Equipment lowered from \$200 to \$100.

A1620.44 Buildings, Village office- Lowered from \$2,000 to \$800 to reflect what has been spent the last two years. No major changes needed.

A1640.4 Central Garage Contractual- lowered from \$1,300 to \$800 per Dennis. This includes \$500 for placing new conduit from the office to the shop.

A1670.4 Central Printing & Mailing, Contractual lowered from \$2,500 to \$800. Last year it was increased to print the codification. It isn't complete yet so we will encumber this amount so that we may print the codification when completed this summer.

A1910.4 Special Items, Unallocated Insurance- Increased from \$22,000 to \$25,000. This is a guess and Jodi will call John Bailey to see what he thinks.

A1950.4 Special Items, Taxes & Assessments on Village Property- increased from \$250 to \$400.

A3310.4 Public Safety, Traffic Control, Contractual-Decreased from \$5,500 to \$4,800 which reflects new signals, arrangement with the City and reduced electric rates.

A5110.2 Street Maintenance, Equipment- There is no need to purchase a new truck, bobcat or tractor this year so it was lowered from \$27,000 to \$1,000.

A5112.2 Permanent Improvements Capital Outlay- We are combining A5112.2 & A5112.22 because they are reported under the same AUD code and we no longer have a need to separate them. This is the section that TG Miller prepares. There was a discussion as to what will get completed this season or at least encumbered, and what next year's budget would include. This line item was decreased from \$686,000 to \$297,000.

2001-02 Current Budget Projects

Bush Lane	\$45,000
Highgate Prep	\$25,000
Highgate Shoulder Pave	\$98,000
Cayuga Heights Overlay	\$350,000
Sevanna Park	\$31,000
Uptown Remaining	<u>\$80,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$629,000*

\*there is a difference of \$53,000 between this number and the budget number that can be used to increase any of these projects and we will not include it when figuring the appropriated cash surplus.

2002-03 Next Years Budget

Additional on Cayuga Heights Rd.	\$100,000
Northwood area Rd Improvements	\$152,000
Esty	<u>\$ 45,000</u>
TOTAL:	\$297,000

A5142.4 Snow Removal, Contractual- The Village has a \$25,000/year contract with the Town of Lansing which is adjusted each year to reflect the amount of plowing that was done the previous budget winter. Since the snowplows have only been out 13 times this winter we expect the amount will be considerably less. This line item was decreased

from \$31,000 to \$20,000.

A5182.4 Street Lighting, Contractual- Decreased from \$28,000 to \$24,700 to reflect lower rates.

A5410.4 Sidewalks Contractual- Decreased from \$3,000 to \$1,000 to reflect what has actually been spent.

A5410.41 Sidewalks Greenway, Contractual- Remaining at \$5,000 to complete Viola's trail. (\$1,000 crusher dust & \$4,000 for plowing, discing and york raking. May be able to pay out of this year's budget and if can then will use this money for another project. Encumber?

A6410.4 Publicity, Contractual- Increased from \$2,500 to \$2,900 to reflect the typical cost for the newsletter we publish twice a year.

A7140.2-Playgrounds & Recreation Centers, Equipment- Increased from \$500 to \$1,000.

A7140.4- Playgrounds & Recreation Centers, Contractual- decreased from \$4,500 to \$3,000 to better reflect what is actually spent.

A7310.4 Youth, Contractual- This consists of the Joint Youth Commission (Barbara Nosanchuk representative)- \$10,194 and the Recreation Partnership (Janet Beebe Representative)-\$11,512. Total line item \$23,000.

A8020.2 Planning Equipment- decreased from \$500 to \$300

A8020.42 Planning Traffic-removed because not using account any more.

A8020.43 Planning Engineer- This line item is strictly Brent Cross and the planning board is using him less.

A8020.45 Planning Consultants- Decreased from \$5,000 to \$1,000

A8989.4 Ombudsman- Decreased from \$200 to \$100

A9030.8 Employee Benefits, Social Security- Lowered from \$14,250 to \$13,200 because the employees have joined the NYS Retirement System and no longer get the 10% added to their salaries.

A 9030.81 Employee Benefits, Medicare- Decreased from \$3,350 to \$3,100 for same reason.

A9055.83 Employee Benefit, Long Term Disability- Decreased from \$2,000 to \$1,500 to reflect actual cost.

A9060.8 Employee Benefits, Hospital & Medical Ins.- Insurance costs have gone up 14% this year. Line item increased from \$11,000 to \$13,000.

A9089.8 Employee Benefits, Employee Invest- Employees no longer receive this money for deferred compensation. \$16,900 decreased to 0.

A 9010.8 Employee Benefits, NYS Retirement- New line item to reflect the 3% employer contribution for NYS Retirement. \$5,700. Next budget year this will increase to reflect the deficiency payment.

A9710.7 Serial Bond Interest- This is the last year for principal and interest. It will be paid off May 2003! Decreased from \$18,050 to \$8,940.

The Mayor did not have a chance to do the water and sewer budget but will complete what he feels is correct and forward it to each person that is dealing with that section.

Bill Troy announced that Mobil has finally signed the purchase agreement so we may acquire property for the N. Triphammer Rd. Project. Don expects to hear from the State in the next two months.

During Mayor's Comments Don announced that there is a sewer meeting Thursday, which he will not be able to attend. This meeting will be the last before they agree on a draft memorandum. He doesn't see any real issues. They are pushing for a management model similar to the one we have with Bolton Point on water. That is everyone but the City of Ithaca.

Don ask Bill to look into whether we can charge for water capacity or not. The intermunicipal water situation is falling through. It was discovered that the Ithaca water plant is falling apart.

Once our new flow meters are installed, we will verify where we have leakage in the Village sewer lines. Once the asphalt plants reopen for the season we will repair these parts of the sewer. This will result in getting more sewer units from the Village of Cayuga Heights.

The Mayor proposed that all the fees in the codification be pulled and placed in an appendix. This way whenever we change our fees there will be only one place to update. Bill commented that the change could say fee as set forth in appendix A instead of a dollar amount in the text.

The Mayor proposed we approve the minutes of March 4, 2002.

Motion-Approval of Minutes for March 4, 2002

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee Janet Beebe seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Larry Fresinski- Aye

Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye

Trustee

Jodi presented the Board with a proposed resolution sent to her by the Day Care and Child Development Council of Tompkins County. They wanted the Village to declare April 7-13 as the Week of the Young child. They did not agree with the wording of the proposed resolution therefore they did not act on this.

Don commented that he has a volunteer who will be willing to work on trail projects.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved adjournment. Trustee Janet Beebe seconded the motion.

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye

Trustee Janet Beebe- Aye

The meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Jodi Dake  
Village Clerk