

## Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Wednesday, October 15, 2003, in the Village Office.

Present: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees Larry Fresinski, Janet Beebe, Lynn Leopold, Frank Moore; Code & Zoning Officer Benjamin Curtis; Supt. Of Public Works Dennis Reinhart; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Clerk P/T Carol Willard.

Donald Hartill called the meeting to order at 12:18P.M.

Carol stated that the newsletter is at the printers and will go out tomorrow. Larry already has the electronic version, which will go up on the website. She has started working on the Codification again. The target date is to approve it in January 2004.

Larry indicated that he has set up Carol's computer with a free antivirus program from Google. As the Norton Antivirus expires on the other computers, he suggested that we may want to consider switching to AVG. Larry would like to be able to give residents electronic information whenever possible. Especially when we are doing the N. Triphammer Reconstruction Project. Hopefully we will have the engineers working with us to communicate information to residents.

Janet and Frank had nothing to report.

Lynn reported the following as to the Planning Board's open space efforts: At the Planning Board meeting on Monday, Kathryn Wolfe of Trowbridge & Wolf, the landscape architect firm engaged by the Village, did a presentation on open space. She had several large and well- prepared maps reflecting the inventory of open space within the Village. The next step is to schedule a public discussion to find out what is important to the residents as far as open space is concerned. There is a tentative date set for November 11<sup>th</sup>. Once this is finalized we will post it on the Village's web site and do a press release. It was acknowledged that it will be nice to get feedback, but in the end the policy is up to us.

Lynn also reported as follows: She has planted bulbs in the flowerbeds by the Trust Company. She's also planted some mums around the office. Lynn attended a water monitoring conference at Wells College yesterday. The talk was on monitoring what's going into the lake. It was a very interesting conference.

Don updated the Board on North Triphammer Road Improvement Project developments: He attended the MPO meeting yesterday. They amended the TIP to include the southern intersection of N. Triphammer Road and Pyramid Drive. This new part of the project will cost approximately \$3/4 million and will include the ramp area. It will be a seven-lane solution. There will be a free on-ramp to Route 13. This will give us the same results as widening the bridge.

It was reported that a squirrel caused a power outage at the office and caused a traffic signal to go to blinking red at the Triphammer/Pyramid Dr. corner. Don asked Dennis to give him the phone number so that he could also call and report such an issue. Don also asked Dennis if our sewer monitoring system was up and running because he has not received any reports lately. Don has submitted a letter to the Village of Cayuga Heights requesting 40 more sewer units. The Joint Sewer EIS has been submitted to DEC. DEC's response was to inquire as to why a third sewer plant wasn't being considered. As far as a timeline for this joint sewer agreement, Don doesn't see anything happening until after the election season. They are also looking into the cost of expanding the Village of Cayuga Heights plant. Basically, Don indicated that this whole thing is a big mess. Our getting any more sewer units will depend on us fixing leaks. Lynn asked if there were any major leaks left. Dennis stated that south of Rt.13 may be the next prospect.

Jodi reported as follows: Our accountants were in the office last week doing the annual audit. She ran into Jeff Geiger (of Murray Estates) at the bank and he stated that they are not going to ask for permission to hunt on the former Sundowns Farm property this year. Our Water Bond Anticipation Note is up for renewal Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. During the budget

process the Board encumbered the money for the BAN principal and interest. Since the interest is only \$1,888.77 and the Board encumbered \$6,000 in interest, Jodi asked if the Board would like to do a budget adjustment to move the left over interest monies to pay down the principal.

Resolution #3999-To Do a Budget Transfer of \$4111.23 from F9730.7, BAN Interest to F9730.6 BAN Principal

Trustee Leopold moved that this resolution be adopted and Trustee Fresinski seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

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| Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye | Trustee Frank Moore-Aye  | Trustee Larry |
| Fresinski-Aye            | Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye |               |
| Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye  |                          |               |

Jodi will adjust the water abstract so that \$64,111.23 will be paid to M&T on the principal and \$1,888.77 will be paid on the interest. Therefore, the BAN will be renewed for one year in the amount of \$48,988.77 @1.32%.

Dennis' report was as follows: The road maintenance on Cinema/Sheraton Drive has been completed. Originally we budgeted \$80,000 for the project, but it only cost approximately \$40,000. This made it possible to also mill out and resurface Votapka Road for approximately \$13,000. Striping and crosswalks will be in this weekend. Lynn asked Dennis if there was anything we could do about the bush that is by the bus shelter on Sheraton Drive. It is blocking the view as you try to turn onto Sheraton Drive. Dennis thinks it is on private property but he will check it out. Butler Rd. by the YMCA entrance is being redone. The YMCA is paying for this since it is their property however the village will be paying for the section that is within our right of way.

Coventry Walk trail has been completed. The path is wider than 5 feet so arrangements were made to have a car try to drive down the path. Dennis will be installing a Greenway sign and gate. Lansing Trails should be done in the next two weeks.

The signal lights have been relamped by the City of Ithaca. We used the Village of Cayuga Heights manpower and hot mix box to patch N. Triphammer Rd. Due to the drop in temperature we will not be slurry sealing this road. It is however perfect for crack sealing which will occur next week. 40 degrees is the perfect temperature. We will be doing Triphammer, Oakcrest, Cayuga Heights Roads and any others that need it.

There is a 150-watt streetlight in front of McDonalds, which Dennis would like to have removed. It will save us about \$145 a year. There is enough light coming of the McDonald's property that it isn't needed. The Board agreed that it should be removed.

Frank asked Dennis if when the company was here striping they would also be doing the zebra markings on the crosswalk by the bank. Dennis stated that it is a water based paint that is used and the temperature may not allow this to be done. The striping crew doesn't do this type of painting. The company Dennis has contacted to do the zebra striping has not gotten back to him.

Ben reported that there is a lot of residential activity. People are finding infill lots, a couple of which on Dart Drive are being built on. There is building in Ivar Jonson's Lansing Trails development, Millcroft subdivision should start 20 units next construction season and there is a proposed house in the Beck subdivision. The Lansing Trails Phase 2 development proposal will probably be back before the Planning Board in November or December. It was agreed that it would probably be a good idea to take the input which results from Planning Board public hearing and have Fisher Associates review it.

Ben reported that the International Code Conference he attended was very good. The hot new topic is mold. This conference is part of the code development process and Ben got good information from the debates that occurred.

Ben also advised the Board that the Planning Federation Conference, which he and John Piscopo attended, had some

good information on open space and that there is also a presentation on open space by Randall Arendt in Canandaigua on October 30<sup>th</sup>. He also reported that David Dubow has suggested to the Planning Board that they review the procedures provided for in the Village Zoning Law and Subdivision Regulations as we approach the adoption of the Codification to determine whether, given the passage of time and the experiences of the Planning Board in handling previous matters, changes should be made.

Ben has been trying to close out remaining issues regarding Pyramid's Site Plan. Pyramid is refinancing and needs to have this completed. They are working on a solution on how to channel pedestrians down Pyramid Drive.

It was reported that Benderson is buying the Tops' strip plaza. Ben also indicated that the 35 Thornwood Drive property should be occupied in a month, and that Ayla Way is going in in the Lansing Trails development and there is currently no provision for a walkway.

Donald Hartill introduced the following:

Resolution #4000- Abstracts of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 5 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$78,230.73, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 5 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$67,969.32, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 5 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$5,105.71, is hereby approved for payment

Trustee Fresinski moved that this resolution be adopted and Trustee Beebe seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

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| Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye | Trustee Frank Moore-Aye  | Trustee Larry |
| Fresinski-Aye            | Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye |               |
| Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye  |                          |               |

Lynn asked about the dead trees by Triphammer Mall. The trees are on State Land. This area will be ripped up with the reconstruction of North Triphammer next year. Lynn suggested we ask the State to take these dead trees down. Don stated that he has also lost many Hemlocks in Twin Glens Natural Area due to the drought.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Fresinski moved for adjournment. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

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| Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye | Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye |
| Trustee Janet Beebe-Aye  | Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye    |
| Trustee Frank Moore-Aye  |                             |

The meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.

Jodi Dake  
Village Clerk