

## Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, October 18, 2004, in the Village Office.

Present: Deputy Mayor Larry Fresinski; Trustees, Lynn Leopold and Frank Moore; Attorney Randy Marcus; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake.

Deputy Mayor Fresinski called the meeting to order at 7:32P.M. and opened the public comment period. There were no comments.

### Motion-To Close the Public Comment Period

Trustee Leopold moved to close the public comment period. Trustee Moore seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye  
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank Moore- Aye

Dave Putnam reported that there has been a delay in the Kline Road Project because they are still waiting on a fiberglass structure that is needed. He is hopeful that the project will still get completed this year.

An issue that has been brought up is the Orear/Greene property and their illegal water district. Jodi has received many emails from Evangelyn Greene trying to resolve her problem, which occurred when she got the house and property at 1654 East Shore Drive as part of a divorce settlement from Jay Orear. The house at 1654 is connected to the Village of Lansing water, however, 5 connections to properties on Sun Path Road in the Town of Lansing were later added from that house and run through the meter at 1654 East Shore Drive. This all occurred before the Village of Lansing was formed in 1974, and the Village inherited this from the Town of Lansing. Approximately 300' of Sun Path Road is in the Village and the remainder of the road is in the Town of Lansing. Attorney Marcus stated that where the water line ends is only the beginning stub of the road. It must be determined where the line should go. Dave Putnam suggested that Mayor Hartill and Steve Farkas, Town of Lansing Supervisor, get together to and talk about this issue. In the Town a water district would have to be established for this area. Randy suggested that one solution could be for the Village to grant an easement to install a water main. From an engineering standpoint the line should be run along the road. Such a request should come from the Town. Lynn asked why the unpaid water bill was so high. There are leaks in the lines on the property and it is the property owner's responsibility to fix them. This issue is not something that the Village can resolve but it would be worthwhile for Don & Steve to get together and discuss it.

Dave Putnam stated that Dart Drive is complete and the contractor has started the N. Triphammer Road Project. Suite Kote is doing the lay out for the temporary signs. Frank stated that during the utilities meeting on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, no one wanted to talk about scheduling. Dave feels NYSEG should be able to have their utilities moved by March. The gentleman from Verizon stated that he would start to do a study as to where their underground lines are. A main concern was that the utilities would hold up the project. The next utility meeting is November 11<sup>th</sup>.

John Dennis was present to report on what has been going on with the Tompkins County Environmental Management Council. The chair for the council is Steve Nicholson. This council works by consensus and gives advice to the Tompkins County Planners. Some of the things that they have been doing include approving a suggested resolution for the County Board of Representatives that would ban the use of burning barrels in the County. Presently 8 different states have bans on burning.

The County has approved a plan whereby 5% of their electricity is to come from renewable services. The County is also working on a County Plan. Another issue that was brought before the County Board by Cornell University was to demolish some buildings and put in new dormitories. The dormitories weren't the issues that were discussed. The

destruction of the Redbud trees across the street to add a parking lot had the community in an uproar. Cornell is suing the City since they would not allow the parking lot to go in.

Cornell has stopped sending out newsletters on the radiation dumpsite up by the airport. The site off of Snyder Road has been capped. Lynn wondered why a final letter was never sent out stating what they did. Cornell has also reduced the number of sampling sites from Lake Source cooling.

Frank feels that the lower part of the lake is a very sensitive area. John Dennis thinks that the decision to not allow the Town of Lansing to have their own sewer plant is a bureaucratic issue and not necessarily what is best for Cayuga Lake. Lynn asked John if the plans for a restaurant/hotel down across from Lake Source Cooling have come to the EMC. It has not. Lynn suggested to John that the EMC look at these plans because she has many concerns. The property is in the Town of Ithaca. John thanked the Board for reappointing him.

Frank and Lynn gave some additional comments on the "Kick Off Meeting" for the N. Triphammer Road Project. They felt Rich Brauer of Fisher Associates was very organized and ran a good meeting. Their main concern was the utilities and whether this would be a hold up for the project. There will be bimonthly meetings for this project. Denny Bilodeau will be running the project for Suit-Kote and will give Jodi an update every Friday for the following week so that an email or newspaper article can be done to keep the public informed. The next project meeting is October 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Lynn added that Caroline Spicer from the Sevanna Park Condominium Association had asked what would be done this year and wanted specifics on the relocation of their flower plantings and signs. The Village has acquired an easement to provide for an improved turning lane into their drive. Their main concern is that their address is clearly visible from Triphammer Road and that no trees are damaged. Lynn suggested that someone respond to her.

Larry asked if there were any meeting minutes to be approved. There are from September 20<sup>th</sup> but there are not enough people present that were at the meeting to approve them. These will hopefully be done at the next meeting.

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye  
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Trustee Frank Moore- Aye

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Jodi Dake  
Clerk/treasurer

