

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday July 12, 2007, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees Lynn Leopold, Frank Moore, Larry Fresinski; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Clerk PT, Carol Willard; Code & Zoning Officer, Benjamin Curtis; Superintendent of Public Works John Courtney; Laborers, Marty Moseley & Chris Bishop.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 12:28P.M.

Lynn informed the Board that the Rain Garden training would be taking place next Tuesday. Jodi has sent out an email to all of those on the yahoo mailing list.

Larry reported that he has received a couple of complaints. The first was a resident who did not like the difference in pavement height from Bush Lane to Triphammer Rd. Larry has spoken with John Courtney and they are working on a solution for this issue.

The next complaint was that not all people along N. Triphammer Rd. are maintaining the areas between the sidewalk and the road. Lynn asked what the City of Ithaca has done in similar situations. Don stated that each property owner is responsible for maintaining the sidewalk. Don is reluctant to have residents maintain these areas since the Village owns this area. John stated that some may not be mowing because they don't want to burn up their lawns. Don asked the highway department to maintain these areas as time permits. John stated that it is about a mile of mowing so he would like to look into getting a zero turn mower for this task. This type of mower will cost around \$3,000. John stated that he has ordered a water tank to use for watering the trees along N. Triphammer Rd. but it has not come in yet. Don asked if the County had a watering truck we could borrow.

Mayor Hartill stated that the biggest news lately is that the Town of Lansing has tabled their proposed sewer project. Don will meet with Walter Lynn and Brent Cross to discuss the situation. The group of six has already spent money on the intermunicipal sewer project. The Village of Lansing has already paid about \$140,000 for the Kline Road Bypass. If this project does not go through, the Village will work with the Town of Lansing to hook up Transonic Systems Industrial Park so they can expand their plant. This is located on Warren Road just north of the airport. The sewer line to Bomax could carry sewer from there if needed. Frank thinks that if Senator Schumer comes through with his promises regarding federal funding for sewer projects, the Town's project may only be tabled for a short time. Don feels that at most the Town might get \$1.2 million from the proposed federal funding, but \$6-8 million is needed to get this project going. Frank stated that the paper says the Town of Lansing does not have a sewer problem, and that their project is only needed for future development.

Don has heard from the Sevanna Park lawyers on the sign issue. They feel his proposal to have one name on top on one side and the other on top on the other side of the sign is ridiculous because their buildings come first. However, Tom Colbert from Lansing West things the idea sounds reasonable. Don will continue discussions with them.

Ben has submitted a letter to the Board asking them to authorize him to issue the Regal Cinema at Pyramid Mall a further Temporary Certificate of Compliance so they may open Monday July 16th. Ben stated that the construction of the new 14 screen Regal Cinemas is still moving toward completion, and that as of today a substantial amount of site work and landscaping remains to be done before they will have satisfied the Planning Board's requirements for a final Certificate of Compliance. Prior to Monday, much of this work will be done, but some items will very probably not be completed. Ben's request indicated that Regal is promoting their opening aggressively and he is confident that the issues of particular concern will be done by the time the public is expected to occupy the space. Regal is requesting a Temporary Certificate to be sure that they can be open to the public at the time they have scheduled their initial charity events. As always, life safety components for the building will be complete and operational prior to issuance of this Temporary Certificate of Compliance. For these reasons, Ben recommend that the Trustees approve a Temporary Certificate of Compliance that will permit Regal to open to the public, pending satisfactory completion of all

Trustee Hartill moved this resolution be adopted and Trustee Fresinski seconded the motion.

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Moore-Aye

Larry Fresinski-Aye

Trustee Frank

Jodi reported that she has spoken with Pete Bartolotta from NYS and he informed her that the Marcheselli money for the North Triphammer Road project was in some disarray at his level, but that the Village will be receiving the monies. He indicated that he will have to send a new agreement and he asked us not to close out the job yet.

John Courtney reported that they have replaced 10-12 manholes on Beckett Way. All driveways have been tied in and they will begin paving on Monday. The highway department has been repairing valve boxes and clearing Bolton Point's list of maintenance issues. About 6 hours was spent excavating the area for the Rain Garden in front of the Village Office. Jodi will keep a list of time and material used for the rain garden so that we can take credit for it on our annual storm water report. This is pertinent to the Water Quality Improvement Grant that the Stormwater Coalition received. The Village will keep track of expenses as our match for the grant.

The highway department will be working four ten hour days this week. There may be a little overtime next week with paving. Don told John that that was okay. He also commented how nice our roads are compared to the ones in the Village of Cayuga Heights.

Frank stated that visibility is poor where Sun Downs comes out near the corner of Oakcrest and Cayuga Heights Road. John stated that they have taken down the deer sign at that location and have done some trimming, but will work on doing a little more trimming at the corners. John stated that that would be a good location for a 4-way stop. The Board will consider it if we ever receive a written complaint. John stated that Beckett Way would also be a great area for a four way stop. Don stated that Town residents would complain because this is the main commuting route to Cornell.

Ben asked if there was anything that could be done with the lawn mowing services that park on the Village roads. He sees a particular problem when they are parked on the curves of Cayuga Heights Road. John stated that if Ben sees this he should call him and he'll ask them to move.

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Moore-Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski-Aye

Trustee Frank

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Dake

Jodi
Clerk/Treasurer