

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, March 7, 2011, in the Village Office.

Present: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees John O'Neill, Lynn Leopold, Julie Baker and Patricia O'Rourke; Attorney David Dubow; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; Planning Board Chairman, Mario Tomei; Code & Zoning Officer Marty Moseley.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 7:37 pm and opened the public comment period. Martha Robertson, Tompkins County Legislature Chairperson, was present to voice her support of the Lansing Reserve Project. She stated that people from eight surrounding counties commute into Tompkins County to work because they can't find affordable housing in Tompkins County. As a Tompkins County Representative, one of the major concerns is traffic. She feels the Lansing Reserve Project would be a perfect fit for those who commute in and have an average salary of \$38,000. These people could live close to where they work. This strategy is in the Tompkins County Comprehensive Plan. It would benefit the whole community. Martha stated that she is also a member of the Housing Fund where they approve funding. She strongly supports this project.

Gerry Monaghan of 15 Beckett Way stated that he had previously reported to the Board that some sort of electrical boxes behind the Shops at Ithaca Mall before you get to Beckett Way had wires pulled out. A lock had been put on the boxes but that is now gone. He does not know who is responsible for those boxes, but suggested if they aren't being used that they be removed. Don will have John Courtney look into that.

Motion-To Close the Public Comment Period

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

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye	Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye	Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye	

The next item on the agenda was a Public Hearing on Silicon Solar's request to shift their operations to an Empire Zone in the Binghamton Area.

Motion-To Open the Public Hearing on a Proposed Shift of Operations Into An Empire Zone for Silicon Solar, Inc.

Trustee O'Neill moved to open the public hearing. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Dubow explained the procedure for why Silicon needed approval from the Board of Trustees. The following is a copy of what Margaret Scarinzi, Empire Zone Coordinator for Broome County, NY, sent to the Village explaining this procedure:

Shift of Operations / Relocation of a Business into the EZ Section 959(a)(iii) of the law allows for the certification of a business enterprise that has shifted its operation from an area within the State into an EZ. This "shift of operations" must, however, be approved by the municipality in which the company is currently located. The following outlines the procedures to comply with this requirement, and sample documents are provided.

- Where the shift is from an area within the zone's municipality* into the area designated as an EZ within the same municipality:
- the local governing body must approve, by resolution, the shift of operations.
- Where the shift is from an area in a different municipality* into another municipality's EZ:
- a public hearing must be held in the municipality from which the company will be moving, and
- the local governing body of that municipality must approve, by resolution, the shift of operations.

* *Many zones encompass lands covering several municipalities. In a case where a business will shift from one of these municipalities into a zone area in another municipality, the public hearing process outlined above applies. Note: The local governing bodies Rochester and Broome County have enacted local laws which supersede this requirement and allows for inter-municipal moves into zones within their respective jurisdictions without a hearing process. The local governing body of New York City has enacted local laws which supersede these requirements and allows for inter-municipal moves into zones without a shift resolution.*

Public Hearing:

- must be held by the local governing body from which the business is leaving;
- may be part of another public meeting, however, a specific discussion of the shift of operations must be conducted; and
- notification must be posted at least ten days prior to the hearing.

Documents to be attached to the Application for EZ Certification:

- A transcript of the minutes of the public hearing (if applicable) which includes:
 - (1) a discussion of the shift of operations into the EZ which describes the extraordinary circumstances that warrants the shift;
 - (2) testimony and comments given by the general public and local officials;
 - (3) the name and current address of the business, and the name of the zone to which it is moving.
- A resolution of the governing body of the municipality concluding that it is in favor of allowing the shift of this business to occur.
- A cover letter from the zone coordinator describing the shift of operations and attesting that proper procedures have been followed.

Matthew Crouch, from Silicon Solar, was present to give a brief explanation and answer

any questions that may arise. He stated that Silicon Solar is in the solar hot water industry. They plan on consolidating three offices into one central location. Currently, the engineering and sales staff is here in the Village of Lansing. They are setting up manufacturing but could not find a building large enough to accommodate them in this area and they are not in a position to build. The IT part of the business will stay here in the Village. Don felt it was a shame that we could not provide the space here.

Motion-To Close the Public Hearing

Trustee Leopold moved to close the public hearing. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye	Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye	Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye	

The Mayor entertained the following motion:

Resolution #5698-To Authorize a Shift of Operation Into an Empire Zone for Silicon Solar, Inc.

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. is a manufacturer and distributor of solar hot water heaters, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. is experiencing growth in the solar thermal market that has created a need for more workers and additional space, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc., in order to accommodate its growth, is establishing a manufacturing facility at 275 Broome Corporate Parkway, Conklin, NY, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. currently has facilities in Lansing, NY and Bainbridge, NY with a total of 35 employees, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. employs 25 people at its Lansing facility, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. intends to relocate 20 positions from the Lansing facility which is outside of the Empire Zone to the Town of Conklin facility which is within the boundaries of the Triple Cities Empire Zone, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. intends for its Lansing facility to remain open, and

WHEREAS, Silicon Solar, Inc. is seeking Empire Zone certification for its

275 Broome Corporate Parkway, Conklin, NY facility so it may apply for New York State tax incentives as well as local utility discounts available to Empire Zone certified businesses, and

WHEREAS, Section 959(a)(iii) of GML requires that a municipality must approve the relocation of a business, or portion of a business, from outside an Empire Zone into an Empire Zone, and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has heard public comment on the relocation of Silicon Solar, Inc. into the Triple Cities Empire Zone.

NOW THEREFORE be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village Board consents to the relocation of Silicon Solar, Inc. from the Village of Lansing to the Triple Cities Empire Zone.

Trustee O'Neill moved this resolution and Trustee Baker seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye

Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill -Aye

Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

The next item on the agenda was the informational meeting on the proposed Lansing Reserve project. Mayor Hartill explained that the Dart Parcel is 22 acres in a Medium Density Residential (MDR) zoning district. The permitted use in the district is primarily one and two family housing and could be built out with eighty family housing units. It is unlikely that a cluster subdivision would be permitted under the current zoning of the property as the proposed project provides for rental units for an initial period of 15 years and the Village Subdivision Law contemplates lots to be sold. The Lansing Reserve project, as currently proposed, provides for 65 units with approximately half of the parcel being set aside as forever wild under the Planned Development Area (PDA) option. It was explained that Shannon Park is an existing PDA located in the Village of Lansing and approved many years ago under the then applicable PDA provisions in the Village Zoning Law. Don explained that the proposed Lansing Reserve project is in its very early stages with no authorizations by the Village having been granted. It was further explained that based upon the proposal presented the developer was given guidance as to the project being more suited to the PDA process. This 65 unit project would feature units with 1-4 bedrooms and attached garages on a private road which would be maintained by the developers.

Don emphasized that there are still a large number of procedural requirements and hurdles before this project might be shovel ready. He also indicated that there is no commercial enterprise included as part of the proposed project.

David Dubow gave a history of the Village's Planned Development Area (PDA) provisions. He explained that there are provisions in the Village Zoning Law that permit the Village Board to modify the otherwise applicable zoning provisions governing the property in question. These types of provisions are not uncommon in local zoning regulations. He explained that the Village encountered a very large and controversial proposal for a PDA many years ago that went through multiple years of review and ultimately was not approved. Following that review process, the Village eliminated their PDA provisions from the Zoning Law. Based upon changing land use practices and new projects that have been suggested for the Village, the Village Board and Planning Board have over the last several years undertaken a look at the PDA option for the Village. It was explained that PDA's (also referred to as Planned Unit Developments (PUD's) are becoming more popular because of the flexibility for municipalities and the benefit of participating in the project design and development and collaborating with the developers. Following the joint evaluation undertaken by the Village Board and Planning Board, new PDA provisions were drafted and reviewed at length and ultimately approved and adopted last year in the form of a local law amending the Village Zoning Law. If you look at Appendix A-2 of the Zoning Law you will find the new and very comprehensive PDA provisions that are now part of the Zoning Law, with very specific directions on what needs to be done. A general proposal or presentation is made to the Board of Trustees for initial review. If the Board is interested they will direct the developer to the Planning Board for further review. The new provisions highlight and emphasize that this is a zoning process involving the Board having the discretion to take legislative action or not take such action.

There are specific provisions for this review. The Planning Board would hold a public information meeting and there is a mailing of notices to neighboring property owners. In the first instance, the Planning Board works with the developer to try to set conditions and restrictions that would be acceptable to both and which could be recommended to the Board of Trustees. A Public Hearing and full SEQR would be done if the Village Board review process moves forward. The project would be considered possibly with amendments. If the Board of Trustees grants authorization for the preliminary proposal submitted and subsequently modified, it would go back to the Planning Board for review and recommendations regarding the final proposed plan. This process can be stopped at any time. We are currently in the very early stages of this process.

The developer has been advised that the logical approach to this would be to pursue the PDA approach. This is the first stage of the process. By way of example, it was pointed out that last year there was a PDA approved which included senior housing, wetlands and a BJ's Wholesale Club. All of this went through a very comprehensive review with many conditions being established. That case demonstrated that the Village is trying to make this process as open as possible to make it a win - win situation so as to benefit all parties.

Yasamin Miller of 3 Coventry Walk had a list of questions for the Board. She asked why the previous PDA many years ago was not approved. Don stated that it was a very large project that was proposed about 20 years ago which involved large houses, multi-unit housing, commercial activities, a golf course and various other uses. Ms. Miller stated

that a PDA allows for a mixed use. Don reiterated that there is no commercial development proposed for this proposed development. Ms. Miller asked how likely it was that this parcel will get rezoned. David Dubow and Don stated that the process wouldn't work if Don gave an answer to that question since it would be inappropriate to pre-judge how the Board might act. Dubow added that we should not be using the word "approved" since it is really not appropriate. It is a legislative action. It's a request to provide unique zoning that can or cannot be authorized by the Village Board at its discretion.

Don stated that if the developer went with some type of cluster housing, the Village would very likely not be able to ensure the forever wild area that is now being proposed. To some extent, that is why the Village recommended they go the PDA route. He also indicated that if that parcel was to become a subdivision they would have to divide up and sell individual parcels which would not be suitable for the proposed funding mechanism.

Yasamin Miller asked if the Mayor had any statistical evidence that this development would be beneficial to the Village. Don stated that there have been a number of studies done on affordable housing. He indicated that a previous study concluded that approximately 4,000 people commute into Ithaca. He also indicated that the proposed housing is not subsidized Section 8 housing units. These units will be for those people who make 30-90% of the County's median income.

Yasamin Miller was concerned with the accuracy of the application made by the NRP group to the New York State Homes of Community Renewal (NYSHCR), which is the state funding agency. She felt that there were many false statements on the NRP Group application. She stated that on page 40, NRP group claims that the PILOT/Tax abatement is pending and this will be completed by 05/2011. She asked what PILOT stood for. Don stated that it is Payment in Lieu of Taxes. He explained that this is a tax abatement process, and that there is also a federal tax credit program. One can write off a loss that gives them a 5% return on their investment. The Federal Tax law states that this must be for 15 years. The investors get tax benefits. It is no direct cost to Village residents. Yasamin also indicated that on page 40 they also imply that they own the land and they don't.

Yasamin Miller stated that on page 27 of Attachment D1 of the NRP group application, the consultants hired to assist with the application state that "In discussion with the town's code enforcement officer, officer indicated that the subject is proposed as a townhouse cluster development, which is allowable in this zoning district." Don stated that this was probably a conversation they had with the previous Village Code Enforcement Officer, Ben Curtis, and might have involved a different project description or proposal. On the same page, the consultants go on to say "It has been assumed that the developers will receive site approval to construct the townhouse complex as intended." Don stated that there has been no site approval.

Also on page 30, Attachment D1 it states "Conclusion - Site Description - The property has adequate access and the topography of the site allows for residential development.

The site is basically ready for development with all utilities available at the road and zoning allowing for multi-family development." Don stated that road access is a major obstacle. We have been trying for many years to take over the private road that leads to Woodthrush Hollow. David Dubow stated that this is one of the issues that will be discussed by the Boards as part of any review of this proposed project. Don stated further that we have no control over what they stated when they applied for funding. David stated that if the concerned public regarding this project had been involved with the PDA project that was reviewed and authorized last year they would very likely feel more comfortable as to the comprehensive, thorough and lengthy review process that preceded the authorization granted for that project and that will similarly be involved in the review and consideration of this project.

Dubow agreed that the timing for the Lansing Reserve Townhomes PDA Approval Process Schedule that is included in the previously submitted funding application appears to be inaccurate. He also emphasized that SEQR environmental review is a mandatory and will affect the review timetable. In the package that NRP presented to the Board they included Part I of the SEQR Long Environmental Assessment Form as prepared by the project sponsor.

Yasamin Miller pointed out that on page 16 of the application NRP Group claims that the Village has committed \$197,023 in real property tax relief. There was some confusion as to that information and it was indicated that the Village of Lansing is not directly contributing funds to the proposed project. Yasamin feels this gives the appearance that there is support for the project.

Yasamin Miller asked the Mayor if he would write a letter to Lorrie Pizzola (HCR Deputy Commissioner for Intergovernmental Affairs) informing her agency that the information included in the application submitted by the NRP Group regarding the Village approvals and zoning and timing is inaccurate. Mayor Hartill stated that he would send a letter.

When Yasamin Miller asked about approvals, she was told that definite times could not be given. Mayor Hartill stated that there is no way of telling how long this process will take. It could be a long process. In the past there have been properties that required a zoning change which took years, and one in fact is still pending.

Yasamin Miller feels that the funding agency needs to know as quickly as possible that a great deal of the information on the application pertaining to the Village and Village approvals is inaccurate and/or untrue. She thinks the funding agency has the right to know this so they can base their decisions on accurate and unbiased information.

Another issue was access. Yasamin asked if the Village would use eminent domain to take over Northwood Road. Don Hartill stated that it was very unlikely. He indicated that during the North Triphammer Road Project the Village could have used eminent domain but chose not to do so. This resulted in a four year delay in the project and increased costs.

Yasamin Miller asked if the project would be shovel ready by August. She stated that on page 40, NRP Group claims that the Building Permit is pending but will be approved by 08/20/11. Mayor Hartill stated that one can not tell when the permitting process will be completed because this is a very long process. Dubow added that the dynamics for this project are different and it is impossible for anyone to determine how long it will take. Don stated that the political process takes longer than that in the private sector. Don emphasized that this area could be developed with a greater number of units than are being proposed and without the benefit of the forever wild space that is part of this proposed project. Through the process we must keep an open mind and we must satisfy the Village Law.

John Spence and Rick Cowan were present from Better Housing for Tompkins County. They handed out information on Better Housing Property Management and Maintenance which included pictures of some of their other properties. John Spence, Executive Director for Better Housing, stated that one thing he hopes people will keep in mind is that they are not absentee landlords so they will be responsive not only to the needs of their tenants, but to the community as well. Rick Cowan added that there is a five year maintenance and upkeep plan for all sites. There will be reserve accounts for long term repairs and maintenance. There are tenant eligibility requirements. John looks forward to the process of participating in this proposed project.

Bill Shang asked how this doesn't cost us anything when there are tax credits. If the tax base isn't increased then the rest of the Village property owners have to pay more. Don stated that this is not uncommon and applies to many private and public projects. Don explained that we currently have several tax abatements in the B&T Park.

Chris Dirr from NRP Group stated that he was present to answer any questions that the residents may have and address any misconceptions. He stated that when this project was designed they were seeking to benefit the greatest number of people. It would have been easier to go through with 80 units of duplex structures. When the timeline was done they hoped for cluster development, but the Village subsequently indicated that they would rather have fewer units and designated open space.

Chris Dirr went on to explain how the taxes work. He stated that the Federal Government created the program that gives tax credits to States based on population. He explained that the federal tax abatement allows the developer to keep rents down to make the rents affordable. He stated that federal tax credits do cost taxpayers money, however the benefit of being able to build affordable housing is a benefit to the local community. To finance the project with tax credits, they have to agree to limit the amount of rent for a fifteen year period. This makes the housing affordable where it otherwise would not be. If we don't use the tax credit program in this community then another community is going to use it and benefit from it. If we don't use the credit in New York State than it could go to another state so it will be better for this community to reap some of the rewards of those tax credits because they will be utilized. Real property tax assessments are based on rent as opposed to the cost of construction. This is an innovative funding mechanism.

Chris Dirr addressed the comment by Yasamin on the amount of money NRP would make on the project. He stated that 10-12% of the project cost is not unusual for construction management.

Chris Dirr also addressed the concern of public access. He stated that there are two possibilities for public access, through Woodthrush Hollow or Dart Drive. He indicated that during the initial introduction of the proposed project the Village indicated that it would prefer not having vehicular access to Dart Drive due to long term plans to close that road off at Warren Road. Therefore, they planned a route that they thought would be beneficial to the community. Chris stated that the interior roads and infrastructure would remain private, and therefore the Village will not need to increase taxes to cover the cost of maintaining the roads.

Chris stated that they would like to have an open dialogue and want everyone to be proud of this development. They want a win/win situation.

Yasamin Miller questioned how this would impact the school system. Chris stated that the regulations will dictate how many people can live in each unit. He stated that schools are welcoming new development and statistically the numbers are on the down swing.

David Dubow stated that all of these issues and others will all be raised to the developer in the early stages of the PDA review process. There are a large number of issues to be discussed. There has been a long history of the Village trying to take over Northwood Drive. This will be one of many issues that will be discussed during review.

Mayor Hartill stated that the Board needed to continue with other business. Don stated that the proposed development will be reviewed as required. The forever wild piece of the development is quite remarkable. All of the issues do not have to be resolved tonight. Yasamin asked how the residents can channel their voice. Don stated that all meetings are public and residents are welcome to attend. There is also our Village Website where residents can get information and sign up for email notifications.

Much of the crowd left at this time.

The next item on the agenda was to approve the minutes of January 13th & 25th and February 7th & 17th, 2011.

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from January 13, 2010 with Provided Corrections

Trustee O'Neill moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Clerk/Treasurer and the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Abstain
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Abstain
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill –Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from January 25th and February 17, 2011 with Provided Corrections

Trustee O'Rourke moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Clerk/Treasurer and the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye	Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye	Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye	

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from February 7, 2011 with Provided Corrections

Trustee Leopold moved that the draft meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Clerk/Treasurer and the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye	Trustee John O'Neill -Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye	Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Abstain	

The next item on the agenda was to consider paying Microbac. Jodi explained that this invoice for soil testing on the garage expansion project was emailed to John Courtney back in November but never made it to Jodi. When Microbac contacted Jodi she stated she would present it to the Board at their next meeting so we could get it paid as soon as possible.

Resolution#5699- To Authorize the Clerk/Treasurer to Pay Microbac Invoice #94171 for Soil Testing in the Amount of \$376

Trustee Leopold moved to pay Microbac. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye	Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye	Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye	

The next item on the agenda was to consider new SCLIWC Union Contract. Don stated that this is basically pro forma. The Town of Lansing reluctantly approved the contract, their reluctance being that the SCLIWC employees will be getting raises while there will be no salary increases this year for Town employees. However, Don explained that the SCLIWC salaries are much lower than the Town's. Benefits are 100% paid for SCLIWC. This whole process went to mediation, after which the agreed upon new contract is now being submitted to the five member municipalities for approval. If any member

municipality was not happy with the new salary terms, that municipality's representatives to the Commission could have raised the issue during the negotiations.

Resolution#5700- To Approve the Contract with the International Union of
Operating Engineers for the Southern Cayuga Lake
Intermunicipal Water Commission's Employees

WHEREAS, the majority of the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission's (Commission) non-managerial employees in the Production and Distribution Departments voted affirmatively on January 31, 2001 to be represented by the International Union of Operating Engineers for the purposes of collective bargaining; and

WHEREAS, in December 2004, the Commission and the employees in the union bargaining unit approved a successor agreement to the original contract; and

WHEREAS, the successor agreement expires on December 31, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, in good faith, entered into contract negotiations with the union for a renewed contract for the contract that expires on December 31, 2007; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2007, the Commission's negotiating team reached tentative agreement on a contract with the union's negotiating team; and

WHEREAS, the Commission reviewed and approved the tentative contract at the November 1, 2007 meeting of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2007, the employees in the union bargaining unit ratified the tentative contract; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees has reviewed the tentative contract and determined it to be acceptable;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees does hereby approve the tentative contract; and, be it further

RESOLVED, the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees authorizes the Commission's negotiating team to sign said contract as presented.

Trustee Leopold moved this resolution. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

The next item on the agenda was the beginning of Board's budget discussions. Don previously sent his spreadsheet to Jodi who in turn input the information into our budget program. Don prefers his spreadsheet since it has ten years of data included in it. Jodi will forward a copy of Don's spreadsheet to each Trustee. Don took the Board line by line through the proposed budget. The recommended tax rate is \$1.21/\$1,000. Last year it was \$1.19/\$1,000 however, our assessed value in the Village of Lansing decreased by about \$9.5 million to \$432,049,807. Jodi explained that this was due to a stipulation for the Cayuga Mall. This sticks with our tradition of being at or under the rate of inflation. The Board went line by line through the budget and the following is a summary of much of what is included in the budget. All full-time salaries are in at the current rate but will be updated after the executive session this evening. The Board salaries have also been increased since it has been six years since their last increase.

2011-2012 Budget Preliminary Discussions

Auditor

A1320.4 \$4,000 for a review that includes everything the original audit did except for an opinion.

Clerk

A1410.4 \$7,500 Contractual includes all office supplies, postage, legal ads, maintenance contracts and training

Engineer

A1440.4 \$30,000

Village Office

A1620.2 \$381,699-new Village Office

Buildings-Garage

A1640.2 \$8,000 -to make new garage addition usable

A1640.4 \$5000 misc shop

Special Items

A1910.4 \$50,000-Unallocated Ins.
\$19,000-Workers Comp
\$ 2,000-Lovell W.C.
\$29,000-Insurance

A1920.4 \$3,000 Municipal Dues
\$1,956- NYCOM
\$ 900- IO

Code

A3620.11 One half of Marty's Salary

A3620.12 Electrical Inspector

A3620.13 Fire Inspector

A3620.4 \$3,000 contractual plus Marty training

Street maintenance

A5110.2 \$80,000 replace 1-ton and John's pick up

A5110.4 \$115,000 –General Road Maintenance

Permanent Improvements

A5112.2 \$310,000- Finish Dart Drive & Burdick Hill Rd.
In 2010-11 budget there is still \$200K which will be rolled over to
appropriated cash surplus (ACS)

Snow

A5142.4 \$60,000 –increase by \$5,000

Sidewalks

A5410.4 \$7,000 misc sidewalk repair (Graham Rd.)

A5410.41 \$20,000 Dart Dr. walk part of project

Public Transportation

A5680.4 \$6,500 Gadabout

Playgrounds

A7140.4 \$2,000 Park repairs

Adult Recreation

A7630.4 \$0- Currently, \$1,000 was allocated for Northeast Seniors and they were
using to lower the cost of their meals. We were the only municipality that
contributes.

Zoning

A8010.1 Half of Marty’s salary

A8010.12 \$2,000-increased BZA pay from \$50 to \$60 per meeting

Planning

A8020.1 \$21,000-Each Planning Board member will receive \$3,500 and the Chair
will receive \$7,000

A8020.41 \$27,000 Legal

A8020.44 \$4,000-Contractual,

Storm

A8140.4 \$40,000 To finish Dart Storm Sewer

Community Beautification

A8510.4 \$2,000-decreased by \$1,000 to reflect demand

Employee Benefits

A9060.8 \$58,000

A9089.8 \$1,800 longevity bonus, lower due to Ben retiring

Transfer to Capital reserve

A9962.2 No transfers to General of Park Reserve due to the fact we are paying for
the new Village Office out of current budget

Income

A1011 The tax rate is proposed at \$1.21 per \$1,000 of assessed value

A1120 Sales tax revenue has increased slightly

A1130 Utilities Gross receipts has decreased slightly

A1170 Franchise fees have increased slightly

A1560 \$8,000 electrical inspections

A2401 \$3,000 with the economy there is not much interest income

Jodi stated that if we are selling our old truck when we buy new then we need to add Sale of Equipment to our General Fund income code A2665. Jodi will get a number from John Courtney.

Water

F8320.44 \$533,062-water purchased from SCLIWC
F8320.45 \$20,000 Engineering of Burdick Hill/Cayuga Heights Lines
F8340.2 \$771,000 Water Main Replacement Cayuga Heights/Burdick Hill
\$696,000,000 Cayuga Heights/Burdick Hill replacement of water line from approximately #94 Burdick Hill Rd, west toward Rt. 34.
\$75,000 Oakcrest Tank
F8340.4 \$10,000 decreased from \$25,000
F9901.9 \$15,000 Transfer to General for water related expenses
F2140 \$800,000 Meter Sales new rate \$2.87 plus surcharge of 30%
F2401 \$1,400 Bank interest earnings
F5031 \$86,162 Transfer from Capital Outlay-Cayuga Heights Rd., Burdick Hill & Oakcrest

Sewer

G1440.4 \$26,000 Engineering for line behind Shops At Ithaca Mall
G8120.22 \$152,000 Replace line behind Shops At Ithaca Mall
G8120.42 \$6,000 Video & Flushing decreased because will be doing large amount this spring
G8189.4 \$467,019-VCH Unit if stays at \$183/unit
G9710.6 \$18,700-Bond Principal
G9710.7 \$ 8,155-Bond Interest

Don stated that sewer grease is a problem. Most grease traps are not 100% efficient. Maintenance is an issue. Another issue is residents attaching storm drains to the sewer system. This is illegal. If one looks at the flow data you will see an increase when we have a rain storm. For a long time in the past we could only get sewer units from Cayuga Heights by reducing infiltration. Therefore, our system is currently pretty good.

Lynn stated that the creek is getting deicing material from the airport. The Feds control this but we should also be monitoring this situation. Don stated that we can tell the NYSDEC, but we as a Village don't have direct control.

Motion- To Go Into Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matters and Budgeted Salaries

Trustee O'Neill moved to go into executive session. Trustee Baker seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

The Board went into executive session at 10:10 pm

Motion- To Come Out of Executive Session

Trustee Baker moved to come out of executive session. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

The Board came out of executive session at 10:25 pm.

The Board agreed to a 3% salary increase for the full time employees. Don will forward the appropriate numbers to Jodi to include in the tentative budget.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Baker moved for adjournment. Trustee O'Neill seconded the motion to adjourn. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye
Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye
Trustee Julie Baker-Aye

Trustee John O'Neill-Aye
Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 pm.

Jodi Dake
Clerk/Treasurer