

## Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, February 13, 2014, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees Patricia O'Rourke, Lynn Leopold, John O'Neill; Clerk/Treasurer Jodi Dake; Code & Zoning Officer, Marty Moseley; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney; Asst. Supt. of Public Works, Adam LaLonde; MEO, Nolan Hatfield.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 12:31pm.

Courtney stated that there has been a lot of snow and many water main breaks. There was a bad water main break on Highgate Circle with lots of utilities in the area. The DPW had to jackhammer out rock. They also hit the underground cable and 150 people were without TV. Courtney stated that it is hard to repair water breaks in pavement. The frost was two feet deep under the road.

Courtney stated that he attended a meeting with TG Miller, Fisher Associates and Marty regarding the proposed Craft Road/Triphammer Road intersection traffic signal. Plans are going well and the installation of the new signal light is targeted for the fall. It takes 12-14 weeks to get the signal pole once it is ordered. The Village will need to acquire a small parcel from the owner of the property at the northeast portion of the intersection for necessary road widening. Costs will be much higher than the original estimated cost. The new estimate is \$225,000.

Courtney feels the Village roads are holding up pretty well. He sent the Mayor a note about an accident that happened in December on Craft Road. He thinks that the Village may be sued over this. The night of the accident it was very foggy. Lama Law Office called about there being no striping on the road in that area. You couldn't see striping if it was present because of the fog. The driver had traveled many months already on the road. O'Neill was there and stated that the fog was terrible. There have been no previous complaints of no striping on the road so it is believed that the Village is not responsible for this accident.

Adam LaLonde had nothing to report

Lynn attended the Village of Trumansburg meeting last week to talk about adopting a deer hunt similar to us. They wanted to know what our issues were and what our success was. On Monday the Village of Trumansburg Board indicated its intent to develop a deer management plan model based upon the Village of Lansing program. Lynn stated that Jay and Bernd want to talk to the Board about the possibility of a nuisance permit. We need to make sure our present law is actually in sync with what we are doing or want to do in the future. Lynn stated that the Village of Trumansburg has a forum once a month with 2-

3 topics they are discussing. They get over 100 people. Lynn thought this might be a good thing for us to do.

The Mayor reported that we are making good progress on getting Northwood Rd. The current owners of the property got the survey and are awaiting approval from their finance people. The Village plan is to extend the boulevard to the end of their property then taper it in. Maintenance is a reason they are willing to give the road to the Village.

Budget season is upon us and Mayor Hartill would like everyone's recommendations by the end of month. We will do our 1<sup>st</sup> round of budget talks at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> Board of Trustee Meeting. The Mayor would like to allocate money in the 2014-15 budget for the design of Northwood Rd. and the park. We have the survey of the Dart property acquired by the Village, but we have to walk the property more extensively. The plan is for the park to be in the northeast corner.

Leopold spoke with Ted Scheile who works for Tompkins County Health and does the anti-smoking campaign. He would like to talk to us about our public spaces. Dankert Park has no smoking and no butts posted. Leopold will first meet with Ted. Lynn feels we should also post "No Smoking" signs in the new proposed park.

The Mayor will be meeting with the Town of Lansing to discuss sewer extension so development will continue in that area

Jodi stated that the Village Ribbon Cutting and Open House will be March 12, 2014 from 4-6pm. The Ribbon Cutting will be held at 4pm. Hopefully, our contractors can complete their punch lists by then. Emails will be sent out, a notice will go to the newspaper, and the event will be posted on the webpage. BPJ's is our new cleaning service which comes in once a week. Jodi asked Courtney if they could pull the mailbox off the old building so that people aren't tempted to put anything in there. We have a new secure lockbox inside the front door of the new building.

Marty stated that quarterly reports are finalized for year end. The Cornell Store will be moved to a new location in Shops at Ithaca Mall along with Kay Jewelers. There has been a minimal number of house remodels. The property at 1510 E Shore Dr. had a flood from a broken pipe. There is not a lot happening with the Planning Board. There will be a minor change to the Gastroenterology Associates/Cayuga Medical Center's building entrance which is one curb cut instead of two. Marty helped John out on a snow day. Marty and John are finalizing maps for the Comprehensive Plan.

Moseley attended the Stormwater Coalition meeting with Lynn. He is currently doing a last proof through the Village's Stormwater Plan. The Board of Trustees has a meeting on March 3<sup>rd</sup> so he hopes the Board will have a chance to review the Storm Plan and give their informal consent before the stormwater audit the next day. Liz of Cayuga Landscape is doing an estimate for a landscape plan for the new Office building. A presentation will be done for the Trustees and then it will go to the Planning Board. Lynn met with Liz and felt she had some good landscaping ideas. Lynn feels our goal should be low

maintenance. Courtney would like to use blocks to make a stone containment and spoil piles. Moseley stated that doing that would look better for storm water maintenance.

Mario Tomei brought his son in to analyze the conference room for audio and video. He will put a proposal together and email it to the Village. He also has some contractors to recommend. Hartill stated that he would really like to get rid of the source of the noise.

Nolan had nothing additional to report.

Patricia O'Rourke stated that she will not be at the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Mayor Hartill stated that he would be at the March meetings since his travels got postponed to the end of March.

Courtney, LaLonde and Hatfield left to plow snow.

The Board had previously reviewed the vouchers. Mayor Hartill entertained a motion to approve the vouchers.

Resolution #6020- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 9 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$53,468.33 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 9 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$112,867.87, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 9 for the Capital Projects Fund, in the amount of \$4,191.75, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 9 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$4,273.43, is hereby approved for payment.

Trustee O'Rourke moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolutions be adopted and Trustee Leopold seconded the motion.

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

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

Motion- To Adjourn

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

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm.

Jodi Dake  
Clerk/Treasurer