

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, August 18, 2014, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees John O'Neill, and Gerald Monaghan; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; Maria Stycos, Planning Board member.

Mayor Hartill called the meeting to order at 7:30pm and opened the public comment period. There were no comments.

Motion- To Close the Public Comment Period

Trustee O'Neill moved to close the public comment period. Trustee Monaghan seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye

Trustee Gerry Monaghan-Aye

The Mayor presented Proposed Local Law 5 (2014)-Amendment to Village Code-Firearm and Bow Safety Law. Hartill explained that this proposed change enables us to carry out our controlled bow hunt. Dubow has incorporated the changes that the Board previously suggested at Thursday's noon meeting. There are three proposed changes. NYS Law has now shortened the distance from 500 feet to 150 feet. This will allow for additional hunting opportunities in the Village. Another change avoids trying to get signatures every year for the landowner documents. Currently, a new permission form has to be signed every year. By not having to get written permission every year, it takes a considerable load off Bernd with organizing the hunts. The third change is to correct the language from "longbow" which appears numerous times in our current law and replace it with "compound bow". No one uses a longbow any more. Hartill explained the difference between a longbow and a compound bow. Mayor Hartill entertained a motion to set a public hearing for Proposed Local Law 5.

Motion- To Set a Public Hear for Proposed Local Law 5 (2014)-Amendment to Village Code-Firearm and Bow Safety Law for September 15, 2014 at 7:40pm.

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

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee John O'Neill-Aye

Trustee Gerry Monaghan-Aye

The next item on the agenda was to decide on a design for the Village sign out front. The current proposals are for a LED sign or keep the current sand blast sign and add another

post with a backlit sign below it to announce Village meetings. The LED sign would have an online system where you could wirelessly program the sign, but that would be more expensive. Dake stated that at the noon meeting the Board agreed that they did not want to set a precedent with an LED sign. Mayor Hartill agreed with that decision. What needed to be decided was if the design that was submitted by Cayuga Sign is indeed what the Trustee's would like to see installed out front.

The Board decided that they would like to have our current oval Village of Lansing sign mounted between two 6"x6"x8' treated posts painted the same color green that currently is around the outside edge of our oval Village sign with a LED backlit 20" high x 43" long x 7" deep double faced sign with three lines mounted below it to announce Village meetings on both sides. The panels will be green translucent vinyl background with 4" frosted white letters that fit into plastic tracks. The green color should match the color of the sand blasted sign and posts. Dake will get quotes to have this sign fabricated and installed. There is currently conduit in the ground to run power to the sign. The Board does not want to add LED lights around the oval sign. They would like to have the sign on a timer so that we can control when the sign is lite. Dake will call UFPO to locate the lines in that area to decide on the placement of the sign. Dake will then follow our procurement policy and get quotes.

Hartill informed the Board that at the Water Commission meeting they decided to not change their water rate. He explained that the reasoning behind this was because each apartment pays the base water rate. The quarterly master meter reading for the apartment is divided by the number of dwelling units and the water charge is figured on this number as if the units were individual meters. So basically, each apartment has a minimum water bill based on 10,000. The sewer is still based on total consumption and doesn't charge a minimum for each apartment.

Ned Hickey's wife Ann passed away on Sat., Ned served as Planning Board chair for many years. Services will be held at Bangs on Wed from 2-4. Ned was a prime mover on our Planning Board.

The Mayor has just received a letter from a resident that lives in the Kensington Townhouses. They heard that we will soon own Northwood Road and want to know if we will be fixing the potholes. We have not officially taken over the road yet but once we take over the road we will fix the potholes.

The Mayor stated that he will be away for the two September meetings. He will be in Switzerland.

Monaghan asked if there has been any follow-thru with resolving the alarm issues at BJ's Wholesale Club. As far as Hartill knows they are rescheduled. Monaghan will check with Moseley to find out the status.

O'Neill stated that a month ago we had a big storm and it reminds us of an emergency plan. The #5 Fire Station cannot provide assistance in the event of an emergency in the

Village. O'Neill asked if the Village could get a generator, communications, water, cots and other emergency type items and store them in the old office. Hartill asked O'Neill to get an estimate from Courtney for a 10 Kilowatt generator that runs off natural gas. It was asked if we already have a generator in the garage that could be utilized. O'Neill will check into this. He will also put together a list and get an estimate for how much emergency supplies would cost.

It was asked when we would be working on the Comprehensive Plan again. Dake, Dawson and Schleelein have volunteered to put all the parts together. Dake stated that each group should get their sections to her in September. The plan is to start working on it in October and have it together by the end of the year. One item that was supposed to be done by Leopold's group was to split up her Goals and Recommendation chapter and distribute the individual sections to the different groups that deal with the items. Dake will contact Leopold when she returns to see if this has been completed. This should not be too difficult because we are not rewriting the entire Comprehensive Plan, we are just updating it with significant items that have occurred since it was updated in 2005.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Monaghan moved for adjournment. Trustee O'Rourke seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee John O'Neill -Aye

Trustee Gerry Monaghan-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Jodi Dake  
Clerk/Treasurer