

## Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, March 17, 2016, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Donald Hartill; Trustees, Ronny Hardaway, Patricia O'Rourke and John O'Neill; Code & Zoning Officer, Marty Moseley; Supt. of Public Works John Courtney; MEO, Nolan Hatfield and Chris Zavaski, Deborah Dawson, Planning Board Member.

Mayor Hartill called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:15. Mayor Hartill gave an update of the NYCOM Cortland Regional Roundtable he attended yesterday at the City of Cortland.

Cricket Purcell, Town of Lansing Highway Supt., was present to discuss what the Town of Lansing could do for the Village. Hartill stated that this is an elected position. Hartill stated that we are trying to work together to see if we can have a better understanding of the Villagers' allocations of contributions to the full town taxes verses the town only taxes. Courtney and Purcell are working together, and Don and Ed LaVigne are also in communications regarding this issue. The question is, what kinds of things can the Town help us with?

Cricket stated that he is a lifelong resident of Lansing and has been working for the highway department for 22 years. Cricket feels he and Courtney have always had pretty good communication. He apologized for anything that has happened in the past. One of his main objectives as the new superintendent is to have a better relationship with the Village because they are also part of the Town. The Town will help as much as we can or as little as you want. We can pick and choose things. Purcell reiterated that we want to help out as much as the Village would like. Purcell stated that he and Ed LaVigne have had discussions indicating that they both want to rejuvenate our relationship. Hartill has also had a conversation with LaVigne. Courtney feels that he and Purcell are the same in that they both want to serve the tax payers. Purcell stated that his door is always open.

Courtney stated that the rear engine seal was leaking on the new 2015 International 7600 truck. During the repair the hydraulic lines were moved out of the way and it was found that the reservoir was never topped off causing the hydraulic pump to make a noise. No damage was done to the pump, but they supplied the oil we had to use to top it off.

Courtney stated that most of his time this last month has been working on the budget. The price of oil is substantially lower than previous years which will decrease the price of blacktop. The guys have been working on equipment, patching holes and fixing signs. Courtney stated that if there is anything out there that needs attention to let them know.

Moseley and Courtney have been helping a resident on E. Shore Dr. to get public water. They will need to hook into our line by coming up across our property. The project will

cost the resident about \$20,000 for the connection. We are helping them in the planning stage since they are going across Village property. We will grant them an easement for that purpose.

Courtney asked if we were getting close to taking over Nor Way. He would like to pave it this spring. Moseley has been in contact with Frabboni regarding the escrow and legal document.

Hatfield and Zavaski didn't have anything to add.

Moseley reported the following:

- He has submitted his annual report to the State.
- NYS Code is planned to change in June. Brian and Marty will be attending some code training next month on this.
- 55 Blackchin Blvd. is finishing up their building permit
- 1664 E. Shore Dr. has been finalized
- Updated Zoning Map is complete.
- Gave update on the last Planning Board meeting. They are still working on special care facility language, senior housing and restrictions for CU Suites.
- Moseley has contacted Larry Frabboni to discuss the conditions and how to proceed with the Nor Way road acquisition.
- The Board of Zoning Appeals met and tabled McDonald's application until April 13<sup>th</sup>. It has to do with bus parking on the north side of the property and a concern from a neighbor.
- BZA approved a two family house on Esty Dr.
- There will be a Micro Grid Meeting here on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Patricia O'Rourke asked how we were making out with Pat Amato and Bob Nevin's water service. Courtney stated we were making good progress.

Hardaway stated that the next Greenway Committee meeting is March 30<sup>th</sup>. Moseley has been very helpful with providing information. Representatives from the Town of Lansing attended the last Greenway meeting. They are making good progress with their trail system and we hope to connect our trails to their trail system.

Deborah Dawson, as a member of the public, stated that while walking in her neighborhood with election petitions on Dart Drive she heard many complaints about the speed of traffic on that road. In the past the Village has been against speed bumps because of issues with snow plowing, but Dawson spoke with Brian Goodell from Cornell and he suggested portable speed bumps that screw into the pavement and can be removed in the winter. She asked if we could look into this. Courtney stated that he has concerns as to the speed bumps and people slowing down for the bumps and then speeding up, sometime having car parts coming off of vehicles and littering the road. Dawson asked if we could try and see how it works on Dart Dr. Courtney would rather get police coverage. Dawson feels something needs to be done to cut down the speed in that area. Courtney feels that when the "No turn on red" sign was added at the Route

13/Warren Rd. intersection, that was when people started to turn down Dart Dr. Courtney has advocated for removal of that sign, or maybe even establish specific times when you can turn. People from the B&T Park heavily travel Dart Dr. Courtney indicated again that he was against installing speed bumps. It was suggested that we get David Orr from Cornell to come in to talk to the Village about this situation. Dawson reiterated that if these residents have complained and we don't do anything, someone might claim that we are liable. Courtney stated that he is all for safety. You don't typically see speed bumps on public roads. He is not against making it safe, but he is also not sure this will help. Dawson feels we should be proactive. O'Neill stated that 6-7 years ago he presented traffic calming ideas. Courtney indicated that other things that could be done are rumble strips and painting the speed limit on the road. Most roads in the Village are 30mph. Courtney doesn't know how it got to be 25mph. Dawson asked Courtney to think of things to do to fix this problem. O'Neill stated that they should also consider this for Janivar Dr. O'Rourke stated that this is also an issue on Cayuga Heights Rd. O'Rourke asked about signage that says "Children at Play". Courtney stated that such "Children at Play" signs are illegal. Once they are removed they cannot be reinstalled. Hartill stated that speeding is a universal problem. Courtney will check with David Orr, Cornell Local Roads Program, regarding different suggestions for traffic control. Courtney will also request law enforcement to regularly police that area from 11:30am to 2pm.

Dawson stated that she has been attending the Tompkins County Legislature meeting the last couple of months. The City Ithaca and Town of Dryden representatives show up frequently to update the legislature on what is going on in their municipalities. She suggested that a representative from the Village provide a similar report. Dawson agreed to do this since she is already in attendance.

Hartill stated that the group that does the swim across the lake each year use to launch from the old dinner boat, which doesn't exist anymore, and they have requested to use the Village property. Courtney requested that they let us know so we can monitor the gate that goes down to the lake from Blackchin Blvd.

Mayor Hartill entertained a motion to approve the vouchers.

Resolution #6241- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 10 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$114,472.39, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 10 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$54,345.23, is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 10 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$1,154.26, is hereby approved for payment.

Trustee Hardaway moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolutions be adopted and Trustee O’Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee John O’Neill –Aye

Trustee Patricia O’Rourke-Aye  
Trustee Ronny Hardaway-Aye

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Hardaway moved for adjournment. Trustee O’Neill seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill-Aye  
Trustee John O’Neill –Aye

Trustee Patricia O’Rourke-Aye  
Trustee Ronny Hardaway-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:10pm.

Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer