

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on Monday, April 3, 2023, in person at 2405 N. Triphammer Rd. and via Zoom Videoconferencing/Teleconferencing.

PRESENT: Mayor Ronny Hardaway; Trustees, Carolyn Greenwald, Susan Ainslie, Drew Riedl; Attorneys Peter Grossman and Wendy Marsh;

Zoom: Planning Board Member, Lisa Schleelein, Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney

Hardaway called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Roll Call: Carolyn Greenwald, Susan Ainslie, Drew Riedl, Ronny Hardaway

Trustee Patricia O'Rourke is traveling.

Hardaway opened the public comment period. Wendy Marsh introduced herself to the Board. She will be working with the Planning Board and Board of Zoning Appeals while Attorney Natalie French is out on maternity leave.

Motion - To Close the Public Comment Period

Hardaway made a motion to close the public comment period. Riedl seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

The next item on the agenda was to approve the minutes from March 20, 2023.

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from March 20, 2023

Hardaway moved that the meeting notes, as reviewed and revised by the Board, are hereby adopted as the official minutes of the March 20, 2023, meeting. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Greenwald reported on the March 28th Planning Board meeting. They discussed a landscaping plan for steep slope, and a new plan was approved. There was also a long discussion on a new solar law.

Tax Override

The next item on the agenda was a public hearing to consider Local Law C (2023) To Allow the Override of the Tax Levy Limit.

Motion -To Open the Public Hearing to Consider Local Law C (2023) to Allow the Override of the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C for April 3, 2023, at 7:35pm

Hardaway made a motion to open the public hearing. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Hardaway stated that each year we pass a law to override the tax levy limit. Dake stated that typically it is not needed but this year given the increase in our assessed value and the tax rate remaining the same, we are over the Tax Levy Limit by \$20,670. The allowable Levy Growth Factor is 1.02 and the Tax Base Growth Factor is 1.0318. These amounts are set by the State. The last time we actually needed to do an override was for the 2017-18 and 2019-20 budgets. Our attorney has advised us to do an override every year even if we do not need to.

Motion -To Close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law C (2023)

Hardaway made a motion to close the public hearing. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Resolution #6931-To Adopt Proposed Local Law C (2023) to Allow the Override of the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C as Local Law 3 (2023)

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing directing that a public hearing to be held by said Village Board on April 3,2023, at 7:35 PM, to hear all interested parties on a proposed local law entitled "A LOCAL LAW TO ALLOW THE OVERRIDE OF THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C;" and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper for the Village; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on said date and time at the Village of Lansing Office and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed local law, or any part thereof; and

any additional concerns on the budget. Hearing none, Hardaway proposed that the 2023-24 Proposed Budget be adopted as the official budget.

Resolution #6932-To Adopt the 2023-24 Proposed Budget as the Official 2023-24 Village of Lansing Budget

Hardaway made a motion to adopt the budget. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Hardaway thanked everyone for the work they did on the budget.

Set Elections

The next item on the agenda was to set the date, time, and place for the Village Election.

Resolution#6933-To Set the Village Election for Tuesday, April 25, 2023, from 12-9pm in the Village of Lansing Community Room

Hardaway moved this resolution. Trustee Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

NYCOM Training

Hardaway stated that there was interest in attending the four NYCOM webinars for new officials. The cost is \$25 per webinar. Ainslie is interested in attending all four, Greenwald two and Riedl one. Dake suggested that she purchase the webinars, and everyone come to the Village Office to watch them. The webinars will provide the most up-to-date guidance from NYCOM's legal and programmatic experts. A recording of the webinars will be provided to each registrant following the completion of each webinar. This will be good so Dake can share them with new Trustees. The following is a list of the webinars:

- April 11th-Getting Your Bearings: A Primer on Local Government Structure and Operations
- April 13th-Managing Staff and Doing it Ethically: This isn't the Private Sector (We have our staff meeting then unless we want to change the time to 1pm.)
- April 18th-Conducting Meetings: The Legal Requirements of the Open Meetings Law and Best Practices
- April 20th-Funding Your Local Government: An Overview of Municipal Finance Requirements, Procedures and Best Practices

The webinars are from 12-1pm here in the conference room.

Resolution#6934-To Authorize the Training for the Four NYCOM Webinars on April 11,13,18 and 20, 2023 for \$25 per Session or \$100

Trustee Greenwald moved this resolution. Trustee Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Resolution#6935-To Reschedule the April 13, 2023 Meeting from Noon to 1pm

Trustee Hardaway moved this resolution. Trustee Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

Mayor's Comments

Hardaway stated that he and his wife walked thru Shannon Park and ran into Gerry Monaghan. Monaghan, a former trustee, is etching ceramic tile and glass. Hardaway suggest that the Village have a plaque made for O'Rourke since her last meeting is April 17th. The cost of the plaque will be under \$100. Ainslie thought it was a great idea to use a local artist and a great way to thank O'Rourke for her years of service to the Village.

Resolution#6936-To Authorize the Expenditure of up to \$100 for an Appreciation Plaque for Retiring Trustee O'Rourke

Trustee Hardaway moved this resolution. Trustee Greenwald seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

General Comments

Riedl wanted to clarify what he said about the price of private trash removal. The price he stated is for quarterly trash removal not monthly. Up 58% something to keep an eye on. Riedl and Greenwald are both still interested in the Village offering a bulk trash pickup and amnesty day. Greenwald and Riedl will continue to do research on this topic. Hardaway suggested that in addition to contacting other municipalities, they should also contact Casella.

Riedl stated that he would not be attending the April 13th meeting. He stated that we are all set for Dr. Willison to come to our next Monday meeting. Dr. Willison will discuss how caring for homeless works, roadblocks, and benefits. Coordination with other governments is key. He encouraged the Trustees to come up with any questions they may have for Dr. Willison.

Dake stated that Arrowhead Ventures dropped off the escrow deposit for Lansing Meadows.

Executive Session for Personnel Issues

Motion- To Go into Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Issues

Hardaway motioned to go into executive session. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

The Board went into executive session at 7:58pm.

No minutes are taken during executive session and the public was asked to leave the meeting and Zoom was stopped. The Board invited Courtney and Dake to sit in on the executive session initially.

Motion- To Come Out of Executive Session

Hardaway motioned to come out of executive session. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

The Board came out of executive session at 9:05pm. There were no decisions voted on.

Adjournment

Motion- To Adjourn

Hardaway motioned to adjourn. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Drew Riedl-Aye

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06pm.

Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer