

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, April 13, 2023, held at the Village of Lansing 2405 N. Triphammer Road.

PRESENT: Mayor Ronny Hardaway; Trustees Susan Ainslie, Carolyn Greenwald, Patricia O'Rourke; Code/Zoning Officer, Mike Scott.

Absent- Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; Trustee Drew Riedl; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney; MEO, Chris Zavaski and Nick Dean.

Roll Call: Susan Ainslie, Carolyn Greenwald, Patricia O'Rourke, Ronny Hardaway

Mayor Hardaway called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 1:00pm. Hardaway explained that Dake and Riedl are out of town and the DPW staff has requested that they be excused because of the nice weather, and they did not have much to report.

Hardaway stated that the highway department has been clearing brush in the Ned Hickey Park. The pavilion is marked out. There will be a tree donated in the name of Dawnness McPherson. Courtney is working on landscaping and trees with Cayuga Landscaping. The other item that Courtney had to report was that there will be a change order on the sewer expansion project. This will be part of Monday's agenda. Hardaway stated that with this beautiful weather it is more important for the DPW crew to be out getting as much done as possible.

Scott stated that the Ned Hickey Park is being handle like any other building project. Building permits have been issued for the park, a notice of ground disturbance has been filled out and they are working with Dave Herrick on stormwater issued.

Scott is working on closing out small permits, working on stormwater data, and he and Quadrozzi will be meeting tomorrow to finalize a program for the operating permits for multifamily buildings. There is a list of assemble areas that they are also working on. Scott stated that he and Hardaway had a meeting about hazard mitigation yesterday. Abigail Connor answered a lot of the questions they had. Scott feels they can move forward now.

Greenwald asked what happened with the drone. Scott stated that we are too close to the airport to have a drone. A drone would have been helpful for looking at stormwater locations.

Cayuga Medical at the mall is planning to open up in sections. They have an insulation inspection tomorrow.

Hardaway stated that Jon Reis, who has helped maintain N. Triphammer Road, has had a stroke and heart attack and will no longer be able to help. A card of thanks was passed around to sign. Courtney had suggested that we do a resolution of appreciation for all he has done for the village. Hardaway will work on that.

Greenwald recommended that the Trustees wait until Riedl is back to discuss personnel issues. Greenwald is no longer attending Planning Board meetings. Scott stated that at the last meeting they were working on Tier 3 of the Solar Law. Scott will be going through it like he did with Tier 1 & 2. This will be on the agenda for the next Planning Board meeting.

O'Rourke had nothing to report.

Ainslie had nothing to report.

Hardaway stated that the Safe Streets for All Initiative is getting help from an outside firm to create the actual safety action plan for the county and participating municipalities. They will be talking to each municipality to see what their needs are. As a member of this overall plan, we can apply for state and federal grants. The City of Ithaca is the lead agency.

Hardaway stated that there was push back from Courtney on reporting their emergency responses. Courtney is keeping a log and there is already information that Dake has. Courtney does not want to have any additional paperwork.

Ferris, Village Electrical Inspector, has requested that a fee be added to the Village of Lansing Electrical Inspection Fee Schedule for electric car chargers. He is seeing a lot more of these being installed. Ferris recommends charging a fee of \$12.50. The Trustees were given a copy of the current Village Fee Schedule.

Hardaway feels that as contractors develop homes, they should allow enough amperage for car chargers. In his current situation it is not possible for him to install a car charger. The electrical fees charged by the Village are meant to cover the costs of inspection. Scott stated that as residents start adding car chargers there is going to be a lot more load on our electrical system. Residents will need to increase from a 200amp to a 400amp service for their home. Greenwald thinks we should encourage people to put in car chargers and not charge them. Hardaway stated that the State requires an electrical inspection, so an inspection must be done.

Resolution #6937-To Add a \$12.50 Fee to the Village of Lansing Electrical Inspection Fee Schedule for Electric Car Chargers

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye

Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Nay

Hardaway asked if the Board would like to approve the vouchers.

Resolution #6938- Abstract of Audited Vouchers

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$66,430.39 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$205,820.92 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the Trust & Agency Fund, in the amount of \$2,885.00 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 11 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$242,016.73 is hereby approved for payment.

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye

Report from Dake

Hardaway read the following report from Dake. The April water/sewer bills have gone out and are due by the 20th. Dake has again compared the Bolton Point eBill list to the Williamson Law Book (WLB) list of eBills sent out. The difference was 35 accounts that Bolton says have signed up for eBilling compared to what was actually sent out by WLB. Dake sent the compiled list to Jon at WLB, and he sent them a new registration email. Dake also emailed the April Bills to all accounts that only received email copies of their water/sewer bill. There are 182 people that receive Water/Sewer eBills and 678 Water/Sewer bills were mailed this quarter. In January we had about 60 accounts that did not complete the registration process and since then 30 of those have now successfully completed the registration.

Village elections will be held April 25th and May 1st will be our Organizational Meeting. New terms start that day at noon.

Motion- To Adjourn

Mayor Hardaway moved for adjournment. Trustee Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye Trustee Patricia O'Rourke-Aye Trustee
Susan Ainslie-Aye Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

The meeting was adjourned at 1:39pm. Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer