

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of the Board of Trustees Meeting held on Monday, November 18, 2024, in person at 2405 N. Triphammer Road and via Zoom Videoconferencing/Teleconferencing.

PRESENT: Mayor Ronny Hardaway; Trustees: Susan Ainslie, Wolfgang Bullmer, Carolyn Greenwald, Kathleen Yen; Clerk Treasurer Jodi Dake; Attorney Natalie French.

Public in attendance at the meeting- Susan Piliero & Don Butler.

Zoom: Lorraine Capogrossi, Planning Board member

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

Hardaway opened the public comment period. There were no comments.

Motion - To Close the Public Comment Period

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

The next item on the agenda was to approve the minutes from November 4, 2024. All were in attendance.

Motion - To Approve the Minutes from November 4, 2024

Hardaway made a motion to approve the minutes. Greenwald seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

Hardaway suggested in the future we schedule all public hearings for 7:35pm. That way we do not have to wait.

Senior Citizens Tax Exemption

The Trustees had previously discussed increasing the exemption limits for low-income senior/disability and veterans.

Motion - To Open the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law D (2024) -
Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Chapter 129 “Taxation”, Article II
“Senior Citizens Tax Exemption”

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye
Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

Don Butler wondered if the property is in a Limited Liability Company and his brother lives in
one of the houses if he could get the exemption. Dake suggested Butler contact Jay Franklin,
Tompkins County Assessment, for a definite answer.

Motion - To Close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law D (2024)

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye
Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

Resolution #7108- To Adopt Proposed Local Law D (2024) as Local Law 4

Hardaway made a motion to adopt Local Law 4. Yen seconded the motion. A vote
was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye
Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

**LOCAL LAW 4 (2024)
AMENDMENT TO VILLAGE OF LANSING CODE -
CHAPTER 129 “TAXATION”, ARTICLE II “SENIOR CITIZENS TAX EXEMPTION”**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing as follows:

SECTION I. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The purpose of this Local Law is to amend Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”), Article II
(entitled “Senior Citizens Tax Exemption), Section 129-17 (entitled “Schedule of partial
exemption”) to increase the exemption limits pursuant to Section 467 of the New York State Real
Property Tax Law, adopt a revised sliding scale to allow for reduced exemption percentages to
otherwise qualifying senior citizen real property owners, and amend the language of the section

to be gender-neutral.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT.

- A. Subsection A of Section 129-17 (entitled “Schedule of partial exemption”), of Article II (entitled “Senior Citizens Tax Exemption”), of Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”) of the Village of Lansing Code shall be deleted and replaced in its entirety as provided below:

§ 129-17. Schedule of partial exemption.

- A. Pursuant to the provisions of § 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, real property located in the Village of Lansing owned by one or more persons, each of whom is sixty-five (65) years of age or over, or real property owned by a married couple or by sibling, one of whom is sixty-five (65) years of age or over, or real property owned by one or more persons, some of whom qualify under § 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York and others of whom qualify under § 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York shall be partially exempt from taxation by said Village for the applicable taxes specified in said § 467 based upon the income of the owner or combined incomes of the owners. A person otherwise qualifying for such exemption shall not be denied the exemption if such person becomes sixty-five (65) years of age after the appropriate tax status date and before December 31 of the same year. For the purpose of this Article II, the term “sibling” shall include persons whose relationship as siblings has been established through either half blood, whole blood or adoption. Such partial exemption shall be to the extent set forth in the schedule following:

ANNUAL INCOME OF OWNER OR COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME OF OWNERS	PERCENTAGE ASSESSED VALUATION EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION
Up to \$36,500.00	50%
More than \$36,500.00, but less than \$37,500.00	45%
\$37,500.00 or more, but less than \$38,500.00	40%
\$38,500.00 or more, but less than \$39,500.00	35%
\$39,500.00 or more, but less than \$40,400.00	30%
\$40,400.00 or more, but less than \$41,300.00	25%
\$41,300.00 or more, but less than \$42,200.00	20%
\$42,200.00 or more, but less than \$43,100.00	15%
\$43,100.00 or more, but less than \$44,000.00	10%

\$44,000.00 or more, but less than \$44,900.00	5%
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SECTION III. **SUPERCEDING EFFECT.**

All local laws, resolutions, rules, regulations and other enactments of the Village of Lansing in conflict with the provisions of this local law are hereby superceded to the extent necessary to give this local law full force and effect.

SECTION IV. **VALIDITY.**

The invalidity of any provision of this local law shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this local law that can be given effect without such invalid provision.

SECTION V. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Local Law shall be effective upon (i) its filing in the office of the Secretary of State and (ii) ten (10) days after publication and posting as required by law; provided, however that it shall be effective from the date of service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

Alternative Veterans Tax Exemption

Motion - To Open the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law E (2024) - Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Chapter 129 “Taxation”, Article III “Alternative Veterans Tax Exemption”

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 Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

There were no comments.

Motion - To Close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law E (2024)

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

Resolution #7109- To Adopt Proposed Local Law E (2024) Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Chapter 129 “Taxation”, Article III “Alternative Veterans Tax Exemption” as Local Law 5

Hardaway made a motion to adopt Local Law 5. Ainslie seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Abstain

**LOCAL LAW 5 (2024)
AMENDMENT TO VILLAGE OF LANSING CODE - CHAPTER 129 “TAXATION”,
ARTICLE III “ALTERNATIVE VETERANS TAX EXEMPTION”**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing as follows:

SECTION I. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The purpose of this Local Law is to amend Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”), Article III (entitled “Alternative Veterans Tax Exemption”), Section 129-23 (entitled “Increased Maximum Exemption Amounts”) to increase the Veterans exemption limits pursuant to Section 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT.

A. Section 129-23 (entitled “Increased Maximum Exemption Amounts”) of Article III (entitled “Alternative Veterans Tax Exemption”) of Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”) of the Village of Lansing Code is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

§ 129-23. Increased Maximum Exemption Amounts.

Qualifying residential real property (as defined in § 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law) shall be exempt from taxation by the Village of Lansing as follows:

- A. The maximum exemption to which a qualified owner (as defined in § 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law) shall be entitled under § 458-a, subparagraph 2(a), shall be \$21,000.
- B. The maximum exemption to which a qualified owner (as defined in § 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law) shall be entitled under § 458-a, subparagraph 2(b), shall be \$14,000.
- C. The maximum exemption to which a qualified owner (as defined in § 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law) shall be entitled under § 458-a, subparagraph 2(c), shall be \$70,000.

SECTION III. **SUPERCEDING EFFECT.**

All local laws, resolutions, rules, regulations and other enactments of the Village of Lansing in conflict with the provisions of this local law are hereby superseded to the extent necessary to give this local law full force and effect.

SECTION IV. **VALIDITY.**

The invalidity of any provision of this local law shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this local law that can be given effect without such invalid provision.

SECTION V. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Local Law shall be effective upon (i) its filing in the office of the Secretary of State and (ii) ten (10) days after publication and posting as required by law; provided, however that it shall be effective from the date of service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

Don Butler stated that they have two duplexes on East Shore and there is a road that used to access the lake. They may put one duplex on the market, and they would like to subdivide and keep the road. They will get maps together and then deal with the Code & Zoning Officer. From there he will direct Butler to the Planning Board or Board of Zoning Appeals. Butler left the meeting.

Disabled Persons with Limited Incomes Tax Exemption

Motion - To Open the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law F (2024) - Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Chapter 129 “Taxation”, Article IV “Disabled Persons with Limited Incomes Tax Exemption”

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

There were no comments.

Motion - To Close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law F (2024)

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 Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

Resolution #7110- To Adopt Proposed Local Law F (2024) Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Chapter 129 “Taxation”, Article IV “Disabled Persons with Limited Incomes Tax Exemption” as Local Law 6(2024)

Hardaway made a motion to adopt Local Law 6. Bullmer seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

LOCAL LAW 6 (2024)
AMENDMENT TO VILLAGE OF LANSING CODE - CHAPTER 129 “TAXATION”,
ARTICLE IV “DISABLED PERSONS WITH LIMITED INCOMES TAX EXEMPTION”

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing as follows:

SECTION I. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

The purpose of this Local Law is to amend Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”), Article IV (entitled “Disabled Persons With Limited Incomes Tax Exemption), Section 129-28 (entitled “Schedule of partial exemption”) to increase the exemption limits pursuant to Section 459-c of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, adopt a revised sliding scale to allow for reduced exemption percentages to otherwise qualifying disabled real property owners, and amend the language of the section to be gender-neutral and include recent amendments to Section 459-c of the New York State Real Property Tax Law.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT.

- A. Subsection A of Section 129-28, (entitled “Schedule of partial exemption”), of Article IV (entitled “Disabled Persons With Limited Incomes Tax Exemption), of Chapter 129 (entitled “Taxation”) of the Village of Lansing Code shall be deleted and replaced in its entirety including the schedule as provided below:

§ 129-28. Schedule of partial exemption.

A. Pursuant to the provisions of § 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, real property located in the Village of Lansing owned by one or more persons with disabilities, or real property owned by a married person or a married couple, or by siblings, at least one of whom has a disability, or a person with a disability who has their primary residence in a special needs trust, or a property owner who has a tenant with a disability whose lease provides them with a life interest in the property as long as the tenant remains in residence, or real property owned by one or more persons, some of whom qualify under § 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York and others of whom qualify under § 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, and whose income, as defined in § 459-c of the

Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, is limited by reason of such disability, shall be partially exempt from taxation by said Village for the applicable taxes specified in said § 459-c based upon the income of the owner or combined incomes of the owners. For the purposes of this Article IV, “sibling” shall mean persons whose relationship as siblings has been established through either half blood, whole blood or adoption. Such partial exemption shall be to the extent set forth in the schedule following:

ANNUAL INCOME OF OWNER OR COMBINED ANNUAL INCOME OF OWNERS	PERCENTAGE ASSESSED VALUATION EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION
Up to \$36,500.00	50%
More than \$36,500.00, but less than \$37,500.00	45%
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\$42,200.00 or more, but less than \$43,100.00	15%
\$43,100.00 or more, but less than \$44,000.00	10%
\$44,000.00 or more, but less than \$44,900.00	5%

SECTION III. SUPERCEDING EFFECT.

All local laws, resolutions, rules, regulations and other enactments of the Village of Lansing in conflict with the provisions of this local law are hereby superseded to the extent necessary to give this local law full force and effect.

SECTION IV. VALIDITY.

The invalidity of any provision of this local law shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this local law that can be given effect without such invalid provision.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall be effective upon (i) its filing in the office of the Secretary of State and (ii) ten (10) days after publication and posting as required by law; provided, however that it shall be effective from the date of service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the

Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

Yen thinks it is important to do everything we can to keep people in their homes.

Sewer Rents

Motion - To Open the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law G (2024) -
Amendment of the Village of Lansing Code-Sewer Rents

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 Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

This local law would increase the sewer rents starting January 1, 2025. The Village of Cayuga Heights has increased their rate from \$6.96 to \$7.59/ 1,000 gallons used for treatment of wastewater originating from properties located outside of the Village of Cayuga Heights. An increase of the Bolton Point water rate is resulting in an increase in the Village of Lansing charge since our part is 25% of the water rate. This is an increase from \$1.58 to \$1.68/ 1,000 gallons. This will result in a total cost of \$9.27/1,000 gallons or a minimum of \$46.35 per quarter.

Motion - To Close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law G (2024)

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 Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

Resolution #7111- To Adopt Proposed Local Law G (2024) Amendment of the
Village of Lansing Code-Sewer Rents as Local Law 7(2024)

Hardaway made a motion to adopt Local Law 7. Ainslie seconded the motion. A
vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye	Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye	Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye	

**LOCAL LAW 7 (2024)
AMENDMENT TO VILLAGE OF LANSING CODE-SEWER RENTS**

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing as follows:

SECTION I. PURPOSE AND INTENT.

As a follow-up to the prior adoption by the Board of Trustees of Local Law 1 of 2023 which related to the amendment of Section 111-21 (entitled “Rents for property owners connected to the Village of Lansing water system”) and Section 111-22 (entitled “Rents for property owners not connected to the Village of Lansing water system”) of Article II (entitled “Sewer Rents”) of Chapter 111 (entitled “Sewers”) of the Village of Lansing Code, and which provided for the imposition and collection of sewer rents for the use of the Village of Lansing sewer system and the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system, it is the purpose and intent of this Proposed Local Law E of 2024 to provide for further amendments intended to increase the current sewer rents payable to the Village of Lansing for the use of the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system based upon the concurrent and like increase by the Village of Cayuga Heights Local Law 4 (2024) which increased the sewer rate from \$6.96 to \$7.59/1,000 gallons used for treatment of waste water originating from properties located outside of the Village of Cayuga Heights; and an increase in the Bolton Point water rate resulting in an increase in the Village of Lansing charge; and more specifically, to amend accordingly (i) subsection A of Section 111-21 [entitled “Rents for property owners connected with Village of Lansing water system”] of Article II [entitled “Sewer Rents”] of Chapter 111 [entitled “Sewers”] of the Village of Lansing Code, and (ii) subsection A of Section 111-22 [entitled “Rents for property owners not connected with Village of Lansing water system”] of Article II [entitled “Sewer Rents”] of Chapter 111 [entitled “Sewers”] of the Village of Lansing Code.

SECTION II. AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF LANSING CODE.

A. Subsection A of Section 111-21 [entitled “Rents for property owners connected with Village of Lansing water system”] of Article II [entitled “Sewer Rents”] of Chapter 111 [entitled “Sewers”] of the Village of Lansing Code is hereby amended so as to read in its entirety as follows:

A. Each owner of property that is provided with water service by connecting to the Village of Lansing Water System shall be charged for, and shall be obligated to pay, a total annual sewer rent amount comprised of the following:

- (1) A quarterly sewer rent charge for use of the Village of Lansing sewer system, such charge to be equal to one dollar and sixty-eight cents (\$1.68) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water, or portion thereof, used by such property owner, with a minimum charge of eight dollars and forty cents (\$8.40) for each individual multiple dwelling unit for each quarterly billing (as provided in subsection “B” below); and**
- (2) A quarterly sewer rent charge for use of the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system, such charge to be equal to seven dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$7.59) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water, or portion thereof, used by such property owner, with a minimum charge of**

thirty-seven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$37.95) per each individual multiple dwelling unit for each quarterly billing (as provided in subsection “B” below).

The amount charged for use of the Village of Lansing sewer system shall be individually calculated, and thereafter collected by the Village of Lansing for all quarterly billings commencing with the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission/Bolton Point quarterly billing after January 1, 2025. The amount charged for use of the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system shall be individually calculated, and thereafter collected by the Village of Lansing (or such other party designated by the Village of Cayuga Heights), for all quarterly billings commencing with the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission/Bolton Point quarterly billing after January 1, 2025. Each such amount shall thereafter continue until otherwise modified from time to time by further local law adopted by the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees.

B. Subsection A of Section 111-22 [entitled “Rents for property owners not connected with Village of Lansing water system”] of Article II [entitled “Sewer Rents”] of Chapter 111 [entitled “Sewers”] of the Village of Lansing Code is hereby amended so as to read in its entirety as follows:

- A. Each owner of property that is not provided with water service by connecting to the Village of Lansing Water System shall be charged for, and shall be obligated to pay, a total annual sewer rent amount comprised of the following:
- (1) A quarterly sewer rent charge for use of the Village of Lansing sewer system, such charge to be equal to one dollar and sixty-eight cents (\$1.68) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water, or portion thereof, used by such property owner, with a minimum charge of eight dollars and forty cents (\$8.40) for each individual multiple dwelling unit for each quarterly billing (as provided in subsection “B” below); and
 - (2) A quarterly sewer rent charge for use of the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system, such charge to be equal to seven dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$7.59) for each one thousand (1,000) gallons of water, or portion thereof, used by such property owner, with a minimum charge of thirty-seven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$37.95) for each individual multiple dwelling unit for each quarterly billing (as provided in subsection “C” below).

The amount charged for use of the Village of Lansing sewer system shall be individually calculated, and thereafter collected by the Village of Lansing for all quarterly billings commencing with the

Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission/Bolton Point quarterly billing after January 1, 2025. The amount charged for use of the Village of Cayuga Heights sewer system shall be individually calculated, and thereafter collected by the Village of Lansing (or such other party designated by the Village of Cayuga Heights) for all quarterly billings commencing with the Southern Cayuga Lake Intermunicipal Water Commission/Bolton Point quarterly billing after January 1, 2025. Each such amount shall thereafter continue until such amount is otherwise modified from time to time by further local law adopted by the Village of Lansing Board of Trustees.

SECTION III. SUPERSEDING EFFECT.

All local laws, resolutions, rules, regulations and other enactments of the Village of Lansing in conflict with the provisions of this local law are hereby superseded to the extent necessary to give this local law full force and effect.

SECTION IV. VALIDITY.

The invalidity of any provision of this local law shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this local law that can be given effect without such invalid provision.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall be effective upon its filing in the office of the Secretary of State.

Planning Board Topics

The Planning Board would like to have a joint meeting with the Trustees to discuss future planning items. They would like to look at things such as the Chart of Uses, short term rentals and Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). Hardaway thought this would be a good way to start the new year. Capogrossi will poll the Planning Board tomorrow to see if January 13, 2025, would work for everyone. Greenwald would like the Code of Uses reviewed with an eye towards reaching our goals of creating a walkable village and increasing housing opportunities. Yen would like Climate Smart energy goals included. Hardaway asked if there were any other items that the Trustees would like to see discussed. Cayuga Heights Road density should now be discussed because of the availability of sewer. Hardaway feels we should look at increasing work force housing to allow accessory dwelling units. What can we do to make housing development easier.

Yen feels we should have climate smart land use to protect water quality. Greenwald stated that that is more for the Comprehensive Plan. Greenwald thinks we need to discuss which of these items are a priority and our plan of attack.

Hardaway wondered if we should have our Code reviewed professionally. French explained that there are companies that have a complete team of attorney's that will review the Codification and flag everything that is contradictory. Greenwald will contact the two companies that perform this

type of service and get a ballpark figure as to what it will cost. Yen wondered if there is funding available for this through the New York State Department of State. Hardaway will contact them to see if we are eligible. We can also contact the Town of Lansing to see who they are using and how much it cost.

Bullmer would like to know the decision criteria. Variance, setback, what is driving that? Bullmer would like to see objective decisions made by the Planning Board instead of subjective decisions. French stated that variance criteria are set by State law. Bullmer sees a lot of different handling of topics.

Mayor's Comments

Hardaway stated that with the dryness of the undergrowth, there is currently a ban on open fires in New York State.

General Comments

Yen stated that there is a Climate Smart Communities meeting Thursday at 5pm. There is a Comprehensive Planning webinar tomorrow.

Adjournment

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye
Trustee Carolyn Greenwald-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer