

Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Monday, November 15, 1999, in the Village Office.

PRESENT: Mayor Don Hartill; Trustees Larry Fresinski and John Bailey; Planning Board Chairman, Edward Hickey; Village Attorney Randy Marcus arrived after the BZA meeting was completed.

Mayor Don Hartill called the meeting to order at 7:37P.M.

Motion- To Open Public Comment Period

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to open the public comment period.

Trustee John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

There was no public comment.

Motion- To Close Public Comment Period

Trustee John Bailey moved to close the public comment period.

Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Next on the agenda was a public hearing.

Motion- To Open the Public Hearing to Consider the Correction of Drainage & Sewer Easements on the Former Howard Johnson's Property

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to close the public hearing and Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee John Bailey-Aye

The Mayor stated that this was merely a housecleaning issue. The sewer/water line is now abandoned and this is straightening out details.

Motion- To Close the Public Hearing to Consider the Correction of Drainage & Sewer Easements on the Former Howard Johnson's Property

Trustee Lynn Leopold moved to close the public hearing and Trustee Larry Fresinski seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill - Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee John Bailey-Aye

Dennis Griffin, chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners and 5 other members were present to present a contingency plan for the fire district. The Commission has made up a schedule of where they will be going in the future. George Gesslein handed out charts and of the Lansing Fire Districts capital expenses, tax levy & fund balances and spreadsheets of their capital plan and overall budget through the year 2023. The spreadsheet illustrated when they planned on buying new equipment or expanding their fire halls. The tax rate for 2000 is \$.825 and the projected rate for the next 13 years was a flat rate of \$.975. The Lansing Fire District does not have much money in reserves. Because they did not have much in reserve, the tax rates used to fluctuate quite a bit. One of their goals is to build their reserves up over time to flatten out some of the peaks that were see on the chart. Another things that is changing is that fire trucks are now multipurpose trucks. This year the Fire District got rid of three trucks. There are other ways that the fire district gets money. For instance, they are asking the Jehovah Witnesses to make a donation towards their \$700,000 ladder truck since they don't pay taxes. The Fire District owns property across from the village office, which they would like to sell which could provide some money for a new truck. Ned suggested they contact the YMCA because they may be interested in that property. Also in their plans is to put an addition on the fire hall in the Village that would house 5-10 bunkers. Right now the station holds 2 bunkers. The Mayor commented that it was nice to see a capital plan. The fire commission wants to work together and keep the lines of communication open.

Next on the agenda was the engineer's report. Sheraton Drive Walkway is completed. Lawn areas may need attention in the spring. Contract closeout will follow submission of credit adjustment for crack seal from the Village DPW. TG Miller will begin preparing the application for the multi-modal grant reimbursement as soon as we have the credit from the DPW and know the final contract amount.

TG Miller's has contacted Cornell Real Estate and arranged temporary parking for CBord while the airport elevated tank is coming down. They are also trying to schedule a time with CBord to have three employees park in a Cornell lot during the tank removal to avoid scheduling the work on a weekend. This project will be done in the spring when the weather is nice. Follow up analysis of the Marriott Hotel impacts on the Village system support no negative results from the removal of the tank.

Quotes are being solicited to do the water main work this year on Churchill Drive before the house is occupied. Following the dedication of the easements, the water main work will consist of abandoning the last 140ft of the existing water main, installing a new hydrant at the new end of the water main, installing a new water service with curb box to the existing home, and installing a water service to the last remaining lot on the road.

The Mayor asked if Dave Herrick has heard from McDonald's yet. Dave Putnam was unsure.

Next on the agenda was the consideration of acceptance of turnaround on Wakefield Drive. Attorney Marcus does not have the offer but suggested the Board go ahead and set a public hearing.

RESOLUTION #3613-To Set Public Hearing for the Acceptance of Wakefield Drive for December 6,1999 @ 7:35pm at the Village Office

Be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees sets a public hearing for the acceptance of Wakefield Drive for December 6,1999 @ 7:35pm at the Village Office

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to set the public hearing and Trustee John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Next Randy presented the following resolution to the Board for their approval.

RESOLUTION #3614-To Transfer the Traffic Lights to NYSDOT

WHEREAS, by November 3,1999 letter from NYSDOT to Tops Markets, Inc. a requirement for Top's to proceed with their proposed work on traffic controls was set forth that the Village of Lansing pass a resolution as to the transfer of ownership of the three subject traffic lights to NYSDOT,

WHEREAS, the Village Planning Board has recommended that the Board of Trustees pass the resolution to transfer ownership and maintenance of the traffic lights at Sevanna Park, Pyramid Drive and the one to be installed at Top's entrance on Pyramid Drive to the New York State Department of Transportation upon Top's satisfactory construction/re-construction/modification of the work and the works' subsequent acceptance by the NYSDOT

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village of Lansing that the Village transfer the ownership, operation, and maintenance of the Sevanna Park, Pyramid Drive, and Top's signals to the State of New York Department of Transportation upon Top's satisfactory construction/re-construction/modification of the work and the work's subsequent acceptance by this Department.

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to accept this resolution to transfer the traffic lights to NYSDOT and Trustee John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Next on the agenda was general discussion. After Horizon's acceptance at last meeting, Ned contacted Viola Miller to see if she would allow an easement to create a trail between Janivar and Horizon's. Ned and Dennis went over and walked the proposed trail area. Dennis is to get a map prepared by TG Millers and then give it to Randy to draw up papers. Ned presented the Board with four logo options prepared by the Art Department. The Board chose #3 with some changes to the bird on the logo. Ned will take it back to the Art Department and have a final for approval at the next Board meeting.

Next Randy asked the Board if there were any comments during the public hearing on the correction of easements for the former Howard Johnson's property. The mayor informed him that there were no comments. Randy proposed the following resolution.

RESOLUTION #3615-The Village To Quit Claim its Rights

The Village hereby quit claims its rights in the March 23,1978 easement which was granted for the sewer line as well as quit claim the January 5,1981 drainage easement in accordance with documentation prepared by the Village attorney and authorizes the mayor to execute such documents.

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved to accept this resolution and Trustee John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

RESOLUTION #3616-To Accept a Permanent Easement of Drainage from Ithaca Associates

The Village accepts from Ithaca Associates, the owners of the former Howard Johnson's Property, a permanent easement for a drainage way along the south side of Pyramid Drive in accordance with the documentation prepared by the Village attorney and authorize the Mayor to execute these documents.

Trustee John Bailey moved to accept this resolution and Trustee Lynn Leopold seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

Randy stated that the remaining element of this correction of easements on that property is the release of Pyramids. Randy has sent them a quit claim document to clean things up, but has not received it back yet.

Mayor Hartill is still waiting to hear from Mobil, Ramada and McDonalds regarding property acquisition on North Triphammer Road. All property owners, except one that wants more money, are on board for this project. The Mayor hopes to ask for execution of a purchase agreements at the next meeting. Don asked Larry to get the engineer information researched. The Mayor had nothing new to report on sewers. At the joint meeting on December 6th we will be discussing Kensington. Ed Hooks will be here to represent the Village since there is a conflict of interest with Randy. The Mayor would also like to resolve the ownership of the 100ft section of road into the Horizons Development, which is currently owner by Tompkins County. The Mayor will be strongly recommending that the Board pursue an agreement with the owners of the private road into Northwood and with the Edelmans to share with the Village the cost of upgrading the entrance road up to Coventry Walk and then accepting the dedication of both as Village roads. Ned stated that we would need a new subdivision plat before the Edelmans could sell any additional lots beyond Coventry Walk. Ned also thinks we should insist on trail connections.

Larry brought up the fact that we haven't heard from Time Warner. Randy will be sending a follow up letter. Larry is also going to look on the web to see if he can find any additional information on the Cayuga Watershed.

Motion- To Adjourn

Trustee Larry Fresinski moved adjournment. Trustee John Bailey seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Donald Hartill- Aye Trustee John Bailey- Aye

Trustee Larry Fresinski- Aye Trustee Lynn Leopold-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Jodi Dake

Village Clerk