

## Village of Lansing

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lansing held on Thursday, August 15, 2024, held at the Village of Lansing 2405 N. Triphammer Road.

PRESENT: Mayor Ronny Hardaway; Trustees Susan Ainslie, Wolfgang Bullmer, Kathleen Yen; Code/Zoning Officer, Mike Scott; Clerk/Treasurer, Jodi Dake; Supt. of Public Works, John Courtney

Roll Call: Susan Ainslie, Wolfgang Bullmer, Kathleen Yen, Carolyn Greenwald(absent), Ronny Hardaway  
Zoom:

Mayor Hardaway called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 12:02pm.

Scott stated that he has been busy with building inspections and fire inspections. He has also been continuing with requirements of the MS4. The next step is to continue to inspect and identify all the facilities and outfalls. Many have already been done by TG Miller, but Scott will be going out and taking pictures and doing some documentation. Scott has also been reviewing the draft of the new 2024 Unified Code. A lot of the changes have to do with energy code and requirements with new construction. The new code will definitely add to the cost of building. Taco Bell will be coming to the next Planning Board meeting. Lansing Meadows has lost their permit. French has come up with items to finish so we can close out Lansing Meadows. Scott will speak with Cross to close out the Lansing Meadows SWPPP.

Scott stated that he has done some more researched on the noise ordinance and what can be done. Scott has also spoken with our attorney regarding this issue. He would like to meet with Bullmer to discuss how to monitor these single events. Bullmer felt you can solve this issue in two ways, by going after the guy or by removing the ordinance if you can't do anything about it. Scott stated that the noise ordinance is more for commercial issues. Hardaway stated that the problem is trying to catch and document the noise. Scott stated that if there is a noise issue, they need to contact the Sheriff, and have it documented since they are our first responders. Bullmer stated that the police have better things to do than look into noise complaints. Typically, they do not show up right away and the issue may be over. Bullmer feels we should notify the resident that makes the noise so that they are aware that there has been a complaint or if we chose to do nothing then he feels we should remove the noise ordinance. Any ordinance that cannot be enforced is worthless. Scott spoke with the attorney, and she stated that we need documentation. Bullmer suggested that we just close the case because it is not worth it. Hardaway asked if we could lend our decibel reader to a resident to measure the sound activity. Scott will check with our attorney to see if we can loan it out. Bullmer stated that it is frustrating, everyone knows what is going on but no one can do anything about it. Scott will look more into this and will check on State law.

Ainslie asked if we expect the Shops at Ithaca Mall to install a light on the trail to Shannon Park. Currently it is missing. It was part of the deal and Scott will enforce this. Courtney will send an email to Beth at the mall.

Courtney stated that he and Scott are discussing the options for the last triplex that IJ Construction is building. They put some roof leaders and footer drains into the pond, but they are supposed to be going into a four bay before it goes into the pond. In 2019 they dedicated the pond to the Village as part of the conditions of Lansing Trail II. There are no maintenance zones around the pond. The homeowner's association owns the pond behind 6 & 8 Leifs Way and Courtney stated that we will never take over that pond. Back when we took the pond over, there were no O&M Agreements. We now have O&M Agreements. There is a homeowner's association that will need to take over the new retention ponds. Scott and Courtney are working on getting this resolved. If there are SWPPP issues, Scott calls Engineer Brent Cross.

Courtney stated that they are prepping for paving the garage parking lot. Twin Glens Road was paved. They ditched in various locations where there were issues. They cut trees and cleaned up branches from the storm damage. Two days were spent at Global Village Park cleaning up the dead wood and vines growing through the fences. There were a lot of dead standing trees that were removed. Various blacktop repairs were done throughout the Village. Courtney made contact with hydrovac companies regarding lead service line investigation. His intention is to start September 1<sup>st</sup>. It will cost roughly \$2,500/day. Next week they plan to do the bridge in Lansing Trails II that we received the grant money for. They will also be trimming some trees along that trail.

R.B. Robinson will be completing Graham Road West in the coming weeks. The curb has been placed. We budgeted for topcoat and Courtney hopes to get Dart Drive and Graham Road West done. He is not sure if Graham Road will get done. The water line on Dart Drive has been installed and all services are reconnected. They will be starting the Dart Drive sidewalk on Monday at the bridge by 2 Dart Drive and will work east. Some tree work has been done. Streetlight conduit was taken across the road to get service, and an additional conduit was taken across the road to energize the speed sign. R.B. Robinson will start conduit and streetlight pole bases at the same time they do the sidewalk.

Scott stated that 2 Dart Drive is coming in for a variance to have a third curb cut and asked Courtney if this would be an issue. It will not, but we need to let R.B. Robinson know because they will be starting there on Monday. Scott stated that the BZA is going to want to know Courtney's opinion on this issue. Courtney will write something up for Scott.

Zavaski has been doing roadside mowing, maintenance on the equipment and cleaning the shop in addition to what Courtney reported.

Dean stated that he is trying to keep up with the parks.

Hardaway asked if there were any questions on the vouchers. Bullmer wanted to make sure that the staff is checking the vouchers for all the street work. Dake stated that department heads review the vouchers and sign off on them. R.B. Robinson has a contract and TG Miller also checks the payment request. Hardaway feels we need to trust our attorneys on the hours they bill. Trustees also review the invoices and can always ask questions if there is a concern.

**Resolution #7089- Abstract of Audited Vouchers**

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 3 for the General Fund, in the amount of \$121,251.88 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 3 for the Sewer Fund, in the amount of \$450,467.92 is hereby approved for payment, and

Be it RESOLVED, that Abstract of Audited Vouchers No. 3 for the Water Fund, in the amount of \$528,827.97 is hereby approved for payment.

Ainslie moved that the foregoing Abstract of Audited Vouchers resolutions be adopted, and Bullmer seconded the motion. A vote was taken:

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye  
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye  
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

Since Greenwald was not in attendance, Hardaway stated that Greenwald continues to work on the Comprehensive Plan. She is also working with the Greenway Committee. The Greenway Committee will be meeting next week.

Ainslie stated that next week Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO) meets on 8/28/24. The Youth Services Advisory Board meets on 8/24/24.

Bullmer reported that the Joint Youth Commission meetings have gone to in person for the next two meetings. They are talking about allocations and what they want to fund. They meet at the Ithaca Town Hall.

Yen stated that the CSC meeting is this evening.

Hardaway stated that CSC/CEC will be offering some policies for the Trustees to consider. These are policies to support climate resilience in the Village. It basically will document what we want to do and what we do now. We are within 15 points of getting to the bronze level which is the beginning level of CSC verification. Monday night we will have two public hearings.

Motion- To Adjourn

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

Mayor Ronny Hardaway-Aye  
Trustee Kathleen Yen-Aye

Trustee Susan Ainslie-Aye  
Trustee Wolfgang Bullmer-Aye

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.  
Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer