

**VILLAGE OF LANSING
JOURNAL AND REGULAR PROCEEDINGS OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MARCH 6, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidam called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE

Mayor Eidam introduced Girl Scout Troop 60035 from Oak Glen School to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge, the Scouts recited the Girl Scout Promise.

ROLL CALL

Roll call revealed the following Trustees present:
Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Hardy, Skrbina, Manno, DeLaurentis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Eidam asked if there were any questions or discussion on the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 20, 2018. No questions or discussion.

Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Trustee Manno so moved.
Trustee Zeldenrust seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Nays – 0 Trustees

Minutes Approved

Manno, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Hardy, Skrbina, DeLaurentis

MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Recognize March as Girl Scout Month

Mayor Eidam announced that Girl Scout Week is celebrated in the month of March and the Girl Scout Birthday is March 12. The Mayor read all of the goals and activities that the Scouts participate in, beginning on March 11 and ending on March 17. She thanked the scouts and leader Barb Kurvers, for attending the meeting. The Mayor then gave the girls the opportunity to ask any questions they may have. The girls wondered if there were any community projects they may be able to help with, and the Mayor deferred to Clerk Payne for her upcoming Clean-Up Day. Payne welcomed the girls' participation and will be letting them know how they can help.

B. Announce Congresswoman Kelly's Housing Expo

Mayor Eidam stated that Congresswoman Robin Kelly was hosting her 5th annual Housing Expo on Saturday, March 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon at Prairie State College. Anyone interested in obtaining more information can pick up a flyer after the meeting.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Ordinance #18-005 – Implementing a Public Comment Policy for the Village of Lansing

Administrator Podgorski explained that discussion regarding the Public Comment Policy has been previously discussed at Committee of the Whole meetings, and Trustees have before them a final revision. Podgorski asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 18-005.

Trustee DeLaurentis so moved.
Trustee Zeldenrust seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

DeLaurentis, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Hardy, Skrbina, Manno

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Ordinance #18-005 Adopted

B. Ordinance #18-006 – Amending Article II of Chapter 6 of the Lansing Municipal Code Regarding Unlawful Advertising

Administrator Podgorski stated that this ordinance puts the Village in compliance with state constitutional provisions regarding freedom of speech. Podgorski asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 18-006.

Trustee DeLaurentis so moved.
Trustee Zeldenrust seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

DeLaurentis, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Hardy, Skrbina, Manno

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Ordinance #18-006 Adopted

VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

No Report

FINANCE & POLICE DEPT.

A. Bills & Payroll

Trustee Zeldenrust motioned to approve the following:

Payroll for period ending February 24, 2018, in the amount of \$551,723.47
General Prepaid Bills for February 20, 2018, in the amount of \$26,596.43
General Prepaid Bills for February 26, 2018, in the amount of \$31,123.68
Manual INS-IDR-WC Loss for February 28, 2018, in the amount of \$54,919.59
Manual EBC for February 28, 2018, in the amount of \$200.00
General Bills for March 6, 2018, in the amount of \$1,218,140.76
Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Zeldenrust, Hardy, Grady-Perovich, Skrbina, Manno, DeLaurentis

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Bills & Payroll Approved

B. Authorize a Request for Proposals for Red Light Camera Enforcement to Improve the Safety of Traffic Flow in Lansing

Trustee Zeldenrust made a motion to authorize the request for proposals for Red Light Camera enforcement to improve the safety of traffic flow in the Village of Lansing.

Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 5 Trustees:

Nays – 1 Trustees:

Motion Approved

Zeldenrust, Hardy, Grady-Perovich, Manno, DeLaurentis
Skrbina

Chief Murrin pointed out that one of the new squads is on display this evening in the front of the building, along with the new all-terrain vehicle that the department was able to purchase through a grant.

AIRPORT

No report.

FIRE DEPT., IT & LNN

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS & ADA

A. Award Lansing MWRD I/I Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Televising Bid to Visu-Sewer of Illinois in the Amount of \$58,744.50

Trustee Skrbina made a motion to award the Lansing MWRD sanitary sewer cleaning and televising bid to Visu-Sewer of Illinois in the amount of \$58,744.50.

Trustee Manno seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Motion Approved

Skrbina, Manno, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Hardy, DeLaurentis

BUILDING & ECON. DEV.

A. Resolution #1030, Supporting a Class 8 Real Estate Tax Assessment Classification Application by Jaspal Singh for New Construction at 17600 Torrence Avenue

Trustee Hardy made a motion to approve Resolution #1030, supporting a Class 8 real estate tax assessment classification application by Jaspal Singh for new construction at 17600 Torrence Avenue.

Trustee Manno seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Resolution #1030 Approved

Hardy, Manno, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Skrbina, DeLaurentis

B. Ordinance #18-007 – Amending Chapter 38 of the Lansing Municipal Code Regarding Recreational Vehicle Parking and Storage

Trustee Hardy made a motion to approve Ordinance 18-007, amending chapter 38 of the municipal code regarding recreational vehicle parking and storage. Trustee DeLaurentis seconded

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Nays – 0 Trustees:

Ordinance #18-007 Adopted

Hardy, DeLaurentis, Zeldenrust, Grady-Perovich, Skrbina, Manno

Trustee Hardy welcomed new Building Commissioner Zoran Savic.

YOUTH CENTER & INS

No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Diane Lund, Lansing resident from 191st Place, briefed the Board on the importance of honeybees, and stated that ordinance 20-2 (actually ordinance 14-022) describes honeybees as a wild animal, which bans residents from being able to keep them on their property. She explained that her yard is certified by the National Wildlife Association as a bee habitat. In 2012, the city of Chicago started offering classes on bee keeping and encourages hobbyists to have hives. The city of Chicago allows each resident to have up to 5 hives. The Village of South Holland does not have any restriction on bee keeping and the city of Hammond recently changed their code to allow for bee keeping. Mrs. Lund pleaded with the Board to change Lansing's restrictive code to be more bee friendly. Administrator Podgorski stated that he has already spoken with Mrs. Lund and he has requested her to forward additional information for the Boards consideration.

Mr. Christopher Smith, stated that he was present with his client Grace Kwon, who is seeking a Special Use Permit for Lily's Hot Stone Massage. Mr. Smith questioned why the Special Use request was not on the agenda this evening. Mayor Eidam explained that the Special Use request was on the Committee of the Whole agenda for discussion immediately following this meeting, however no action will be taken.

Mr. Charles Dieringer of Chicago Heights, provided the Board with information regarding House Bill 4408, which amends the MWRD Act to divide the district into 9 Commissioner districts. He commented that this legislation can greatly help the flooding issues in the south suburbs.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Eidam announced that she attended the Thornton Township Women of Honor brunch last Saturday, sponsored by the Township Human Relations Commission. The Mayor asked that everyone join her in congratulating Village Clerk Vivian Payne on being one of the honorees at the event.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:27 p.m.

Trustee Manno so moved.

Trustee Grady-Perovich seconded

ROLL CALL

Yeas - 6 - Trustees:

Nays - 0 - Trustees:

Meeting Adjourned

Manno, Grady-Perovich, Zeldenrust, Hardy, Skrbina, DeLaurentis

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Payne
Lansing Village Clerk
/vp