

**VILLAGE OF LANSING
JOURNAL AND REGULAR PROCEEDINGS OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 16, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidam called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE

Mayor Eidam introduced the Lansing Veteran's Memorial Ceremonial Honor Guard, who presented Colors and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

Following roll call, Mayor Eidam introduced the members of the Honor Guard and asked Mr. Richard Dominiak to say a few words. Mr. Dominiak announced that this year is the 100 year anniversary of the ending of World War I. The Veteran's Day ceremony will be held at 2 pm on Sunday, November 11 at the Municipal Airport.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Eidam asked if there were any questions or discussion on the minutes of the regular board meeting held October 2, 2018. No questions or discussion.

Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Trustee Grady-Perovich so moved.
Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees

Nays – 0 Trustees

Minutes Approved

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Introduce New Lansing Firefighters

Fire Chief Tempelman introduced Mr. Joseph LaPorta and Mr. Sabastian Koziel, who were recently hired as new Lansing Firefighters. Both have been sworn in already, and were congratulated by the Board.

B. Recognize Fire Department Training Exercises

Mayor Eidam introduced Firefighter John Grady, who gave the Board an informative presentation on the Fire Department's Training Center. The Fire Department currently has 3 intermodal shipping containers that have been re-purposed for use in training. The department also has a vehicle on site at the training center that is used in vehicle fire training. The Fire Department training budget has been increased and will allow for the purchase of 3 additional containers next year.

Fire Department Engineer Bill Stubitsch presented each Board member with a breast cancer awareness month t-shirt that the Firefighters will be wearing.

C. Recognize Special Arrest Commendation for Lansing Police Detective Tony Curtis

Police Chief Dennis Murrin read a letter from the Hammond Police Department, commending Detective Tony Curtis, for his excellent investigative work that resulted in apprehension of the subjects responsible for recent wire thefts in the area. Chief Murrin also read a memorandum that he wrote, commending Detective Curtis for his outstanding work on the case. Detective Curtis thanked everyone for the honor, and thanked his wife and children for attending the meeting this evening.

D. Recognize Donation to the PLYC from St. John Lutheran Church and School

Youth Center Director Jenna Comer-Hill introduced Tina and Toya, organizers of the recent 0.1K run fundraising event. The proceeds from this year's event will be split between the Youth Center and the Lansing Jr. Women's Club, who host the annual veterans dinner. The Patti Leach Youth Center was presented with a check for over \$800. It was explained that this is a fun, family event, with the run being only 328 feet and then participants are treated to a hot dog at the American Legion. Jenna thanked Tina and Toya for the generous donation.

E. Recognize Outgoing PLYC Director Jenna Comer-Hill

Mayor Eidam thanked Jenna Comer-Hill for serving as the Youth Center Director for the past 10 years, and presented her with a crystal service award. Jenna has developed many new programs for the Youth Center and she will be sincerely missed. Jenna's husband Anthony and son Walker were introduced and Mayor Eidam invited everyone to a going away party for Jenna at the Youth Center on Thursday, October 18th from 4:30 to 6 pm. Jenna thanked everyone, and announced that she and her family will be moving to Ohio to begin the next chapter of their lives. Jenna and her family have grown to love Lansing and will miss it very much.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Ordinance #18-035 – Amending Article II of Chapter 8 of the Village Code Issuing a Class 2 Liquor License

Administrator Podgorski announced that this ordinance creates an additional package liquor license. It is the Mayor's intention as the local Liquor Commissioner to issue this license to the new Cerro Grande supermarket at 19064 Burnham Avenue.

Trustee DeLaurentis made a motion to adopt Ordinance #18-035, amending article II of chapter 8 of the Village Code issuing a Class 2 liquor license.

Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees

Ordinance #18-035 Adopted

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

B. Ordinance #18-036 – Amending Article I of Chapter 10 of the Village Code Regarding Beekeeping

Administrator Podgorski explained that this item was up for discussion at the previous Committee of the Whole meeting. The amendment essentially removes bees from the Village’s list of *wild animals* and has added a section for best practices for beekeeping. Administrator Podgorski took a moment to read the best practices for beekeeping.

Trustee DeLaurentis made a motion to adopt Ordinance #18-036, amending article I of Chapter 10 of the Village code regarding beekeeping.
Trustee Zeldenrust seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees

Ordinance #18-036 Adopted

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

C. Participation in Illinois State Fire Marshal’s Fire Truck Revolving Loan Program

Administrator Podgorski stated that this item should have been on the Committee of the Whole agenda at the meeting two weeks ago, however Treasurer Frye was out of the office at the time and he was just reminded that the application for this loan must be submitted by October 31. The loan is offered through the State Fire Marshal’s office at a low interest rate of 1.84% and will be used for the purchase of a new Fire Engine that will cost approximately \$600,000. The maximum loan amount is \$350,000 and the balance would be funded by another lender at market rates. Mr. Podgorski explained that if the Board is in agreement, a resolution approving the Village’s participation in the program must be approved later this evening under Trustee Manno’s report.

Trustee Grady-Perovich asked if the \$600,000 loan includes depreciation for the cost of repair/replacement of the capital expenditure. Mr. Podgorski explained that the Board will have to make an effort to establish a savings program geared toward putting funds aside each year for the replacement of equipment.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

None

FINANCE & POLICE DEPT.

A. Approval of Bills & Payroll

Trustee Zeldenrust motioned to approve the following:

- Payroll for period ending October 6, 2018, in the amount of \$534,161.41
- Manual EBC Bills for September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$234.60
- Manual INS-IDR-WC Loss for September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$84,682.41
- General Prepaid Bills for October 1, 2018, in the amount of \$2,657.83

General Prepaid Bills for October 8, 2018, in the amount of \$148,661.88
General Prepaid Bills for October 10, 2018, in the amount of \$1,796.71
General Bills for October 16, 2018, in the amount of \$518,858.62
Reclassification for October 8, 2018, in the amount of \$0.00

Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees

Nays – 0 Trustees

Bills & Payroll Approved

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

A. Ordinance #18-037 – Amending the Schedule of Fees Regarding Refuse Collection and Utility Administrative Fee

Trustee Zeldenrust made a motion to adopt ordinance #18-037, amending the Schedule of Fees regarding refuse collection and utility administrative fee.
Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees

Nays – 0 Trustees

Ordinance #18-037 Adopted

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

Trustee Zeldenrust read the September monthly reports for the Finance and Police Departments.

AIRPORT

Trustee DeLaurentis read the September monthly report for the Airport.

FIRE DEPT., IT & LNN

A. Resolution #1079 – Authorizing Participation in the Illinois Fire Truck Revolving Loan Program

Trustee Manno made a motion to approve Resolution #1070, authorizing participation in the Illinois Fire Truck Revolving Loan Program.
Trustee Grady-Perovich seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees

Nays – 0 Trustees

Resolution #1079 Approved

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

Trustee Manno read the September monthly reports for the Fire Department, I.T. and LNN.

PUBLIC WORKS & ADA

A. Resolution #1080 – Authorizing and Approving a Community Development Block Grant Sub-recipient Agreement (Project Number 1806-013)

Trustee Skrbina made a motion to approve Resolution #1080, authorizing and approving a Community Development Block Grant Sub-recipient Agreement for project number 1806-013.
Trustee Grady-Perovich seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees
Resolution #1080 Approved

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

Trustee Skrbina read the September monthly report for Public Works.

BUILDING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A. Ordinance #18-038 – Denying a Special Use to Allow Operation of a Massage Parlor Within the SBD Downtown District (3674 Ridge Road)

Trustee Hardy made a motion to adopt ordinance #18-038, denying a Special Use to allow operation of a massage parlor within the CBD downtown district at 3674 Ridge Road.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees
Ordinance #18-038 Adopted

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

B. Ordinance #18-039 – Granting a Special Use to Allow an Indoor Amusement Use Within the B-2 Community Retail and Service District (2416 176th Street)

Trustee Hardy made a motion to adopt Ordinance #18-039, granting a special use to allow an indoor amusement use within the B-2 Community Retail and Service District at 2416 176th Street.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees
Ordinance #18-039 Adopted

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

C. Ordinance #18-040 – Amending Article XIII of Chapter 16 of the Village Code Regarding Rental Housing Program

Trustee Hardy made a motion to adopt Ordinance #18-040, amending Article XIII of Chapter 16 of the Village Code regarding rental housing program.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees
Nays – 0 Trustees
Ordinance #18-040 Adopted

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

Trustee Hardy read the September monthly report for the Building Department.

YOUTH CENTER & INS

Trustee Grady-Perovich read the September monthly reports for the Youth Center and Insurance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Bob Malkas asked if the Human Relations Commission meetings will be open to the public, and Mayor Eidam stated that they will. Mr. Malkas also commented about the numerous airport reports he has provided the Board with, and that he will no longer be distributing reports, but commenting at Board meetings. Mr. Malkas shared his thoughts about the Ford Hangar Foundation meetings, and other various airport issues and history.

Mrs. Diane Lund thanked the Board and Administrator Podgorski for their thoughtful consideration of changing the ordinance regarding honey bees.

Mr. Mark Foster commented about the United States World War I Centennial Commission and their initiative to ring bells throughout the nation at the 11th hour on the 11th of November, in honor of the 100 year anniversary of World War I.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Eidam and Trustee DeLaurentis recently attended the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau annual meeting and awards luncheon, where photos of our very own Fox Pointe were displayed, and a staff member from Lansing's Comfort Suites Hotel was honored. Trustee DeLaurentis represents the Village of Lansing on the CSCVB Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Eidam received notification from the Munster Public Works Director that the railroad crossing at west 45th Street will be closed for a complete renovation beginning October 29. The renovation is expected to last three days.

Mayor Eidam read a World War I Remembrance Day Proclamation.

Trustee Manno reminded everyone that the Village's Fall Clean-Up Day and Community Shredding event is Saturday, October 27 from 9-11 am.

Trustee DeLaurentis announced that he is President of the Ford Hangar Foundation and the Foundation meets more than once a year. Trustee DeLaurentis also stated that the Foundation is not required to publish notice of their meetings for the public.

Trustee Grady-Perovich announced that the Lansing Volunteer Recognition Committee will be hosting their annual dinner on November 9. This dinner recognizes over 40 volunteers from the area.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

Trustee Manno so moved.
Trustee Hardy seconded

ROLL CALL

Yeas - 6 -Trustees

Nays - 0 - Trustees

Meeting Adjourned

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Payne
Lansing Village Clerk
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