

**VILLAGE OF LANSING
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eidam called the meeting to order at 7:53 p.m.

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 March 5, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting. There were none.

Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Trustee Manno so moved
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees:

Nays – 0

Minutes Approved

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

No Report

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

A. Fox Pointe Event Schedule for 2019

Administrator Podgorski asked Mr. Tony Troncozo, Director of Fox Pointe, to elaborate on the current event schedule for this year. Mr. Troncozo explained that the Wednesday night concert series will be a free concert every Wednesday from Memorial Day through Labor Day, with the exception of July 3rd due to the holiday. The series will include a lineup of exciting and entertaining bands, as well as food and beverages that will be sold at the venue. There will be a Blues, Brews and BBQ's event on July 20th and 21st, and the Lansing Lions Club will also be bringing back the Lions Fest on July 27th. The library will be hosting a 50th anniversary celebration of Woodstock on August 9 & 10, and L.A.C.E. will also be once again hosting Autumn Fest in October.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT

No Report

FINANCE & POLICE

No Report

AIRPORT

No Report

FIRE, IT & LNN

A. Management Structure

Administrator Podgorski explained that the Fire Department operated with a Chief and two Deputy Chief's for many years, however for the past several years there has only been one Deputy Chief. Chief Kooyenga explained the benefits of having two Deputy Chief's, mainly the even distribution of duties among management staff. Chief Kooyenga offered various other reasons for the change, which included duties that have been recently neglected by the department. It is the Chief's recommendation that the Village Board consider amending the ordinance to allow for two Deputy Fire Chief's. Trustee Manno asked that this be on the agenda for approval at the next regular board meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS & ADA

A. Tree Branch Chipper

Public Works Director Gary Richardson explained that there was \$70,000 in the 2018 budget for the purchase of a new branch chipper. Mr. Richardson presented a brief slide-show of the new chipper he would like to purchase for the department. The cost of the new Mobark chipper would be \$58,163.73. Trustee Grady-Perovich asked if the new chipper would be in addition to the old one, and Mr. Richardson stated that the old chipper will be kept as a back-up. The cost of the new chipper comes at a savings of almost \$12,000 from what was budgeted.

B. Digi-Talk System

Director Richardson gave another brief presentation on a new 2-way radio system that he is recommending the Public Works Department purchase. Mr. Richardson stated that this system is much more practical than employees using cell phones, due to the nature of their work. The system will help dispatch crews more effectively and will give Mr. Richardson the ability to see the location of all personnel in real time. The cost of the system would be \$5,730.00, and Mr. Richardson would like to use the savings from the purchase of the new chipper to purchase 22 new radio units. Trustee Grady-Perovich asked what cost would be for airtime of the new units, and Mr. Richardson stated that the annual airtime cost would be approximately \$6,000.00. Trustee Manno asked if the units will remain at Public Works at the end of a shift, and Director Richardson stated that they would, however the supervisors will be allowed to take their radios home. Trustee Skrbina asked that approval for the purchase of both items be placed on the agenda for the next board meeting.

BUILDING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No Report

Trustees Hardy and Zeldenrust both thanked Deputy Chief Tempelman for his dedication to the Fire Department during the transition of naming a new Chief.

YOUTH CENTER & INSURANCE

No Report

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:18 p.m. to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body – 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(2), and to discuss potential litigation – 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(11).

Trustee Grady-Perovich so moved.

Trustee Hardy seconded.

ROLL CALL

Yeas – 6 Trustees

Nays – 0 Trustee

Meeting Adjourned

To Executive Session

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

RE-CONVENE FOLLOWING EXEC. SESSION

At 8:41 p.m., Mayor Eidam called the Committee of the Whole meeting back to order following Executive Session.

ROLL CALL

Roll call revealed the following Trustees present:

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

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mayor Eidam asked for a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Trustee Manno so moved

Trustee Hardy seconded

All Trustees agreed to adjourn by signifying AYE.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vivian Payne
Lansing Village Clerk
/vp