CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Abbott called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING
Mayor Abbott opened the Public Hearing for the Annexation of property located at 17730 Torrence Avenue.

Attorney Timothy Lapp announced that on August 15, 2013, notice was published for a public hearing, regarding the annexation of property located at 17730 Torrence Avenue, into the Village of Lansing. The 9 acre parcel is located west of Ridgeway Chevrolet and is surrounded by Village of Lansing property.

Mr. Lapp asked if there were any question from the Board or the audience.

There were no questions. Mayor Abbott closed the public hearing.

ROLL CALL
Roll call revealed the following Trustees present:
Trustee Kapteyn, Stole, Skrbina, Manno and DeLaurentis

Trustee Butler was absent with notice.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Abbott introduced Father Bill McFarlane of St. Ann Church, who opened the Board Meeting with a prayer.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES
Mayor Abbott asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the August 20, 2013 Village Board Meeting. There were none.

Mayor Abbott asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Trustee Kapteyn so moved. 
Trustee Stole seconded.

ROLL CALL
Yeas - 5 -Trustees
Kapteyn, Stole, Skrbina, Manno and DeLaurentis.
Nays - 0 - Trustees
Minutes accepted
**ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

Mr. J. Wynsma, Village Administrator explained an Emergency Response Team (ERT) Medic Agreement, which indemnifies Dr. Loren Brown, M.D., to work with our ERT’s. The agreement is provided for Dr. Brown to be the physician who will aid Lansing’s emergency responders or other victims at the scene where ERT’s are conducting search or arrest warrants, etc. Dr. Brown will be acting as a non-paid volunteer, stationed away from the scene. His services will provide an additional layer of protection to Lansing’s responding officers.

Mr. J. Wynsma asked for a motion to be made to accept the Indemnification Agreement.

Trustee Skrbina so moved.
Trustee Stole seconded.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yeas - 5** - Trustees
Skrbina, Stole, Kapteyn, Manno and DeLaurentis.

**Nays - 0** - Trustees

**Agreement Passed**

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

Attorney Lapp indicated that a Public Hearing was conducted before the Board Meeting regarding the annexation of a portion of Ridgeway Chevrolet property. This parcel of the Ridgeway property is currently in unincorporated Cook County. He then introduced Ordinance 13-046, an *Ordinance of the Village of Lansing, Cook County, Illinois Annexing Property Pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/7-13 Permanent Index Number: 29-25-410-029-000.*

Attorney Lapp suggested a motion would be in order to accept the annexation of the property located at 17730 Torrence Avenue, Lansing, IL.

Trustee Stole so moved.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yeas - 5** - Trustees
Stole, DeLaurentis, Kapetyn, Skrbina, and Manno.

**Nays - 0** - Trustees

**Ordinance 13-046**

**Approved**

Mayor Abbott introduced the President of Phillips Chevrolet, Mr. Curtis Pascarella and the General Manager, Mr. Mike Maheras. Mayor Abbott announced that Phillips Chevrolet is in the process of purchasing Ridgeway Chevrolet. Mayor Abbott welcomed the dealership to Lansing and expressed that the Village of Lansing looks forward to working with them in the future.
Attorney Tim Lapp introduced Ordinance 13-048, an *Ordinance Granting A Map Amendment and Rezoning of the Parcel Located West of Torrence Avenue & between 177th Street and 178th Street from Residential to Community Retail and Service (B2)*. Attorney Lapp explained that on August 28, 2013, a request was brought to the Planning & Zoning Board for a map amendment that would allow the property being annexed west of Torrence Avenue and between 177th Street & 178th Street to be zoned from an R2 to B2 parcel. The Planning & Zoning Board has recommended to the Village Board that a map amendment be granted. Attorney Lapp asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 13-048.

Trustee Stole so moved.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

**ROLL CALL**

Yeas - 5 -Trustees
Stole, DeLaurentis, Kapteyn, Skrbina, Manno.

Nays - 0 –Trustees

**Ordinance 13-048**

Approved

Attorney Lapp presented Ordinance 13-049, *An Ordinance of the Village of Lansing Granting Variances from the Zoning Regulations of the Village of Lansing, Illinois*. This ordinance authorizes a 17 ft. sign variance and a landscape variance for Phillips Chevrolet. This ordinance was recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals, pursuant to the public hearing that was held on August 28, 2013. Attorney Lapp asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance 13-049.

Trustee Stole so moved.
Trustee DeLaurentis seconded.

**ROLL CALL**

Yeas - 5 -Trustees
Stole, DeLaurentis, Kapteyn, Skrbina, Manno.

Nays - 0 –Trustees

**Ordinance 13-049**

Approved

Attorney Lapp introduced the *Sales Tax Sharing Agreement* between the Village of Lansing and Phillips Chevrolet. This agreement provides for a 50/50 sharing of the sales tax, for a period of 6 years, after a base of $115K, providing Phillips Chevrolet makes a verifiable investment in the property during those 6 years. The dealership is only eligible for a rebate equal to the money spent on permanent enhancements to the building and property. Attorney Lapp announced that a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement would be in order.

Trustee DeLaurentis so moved.
Trustee Stole seconded.

Mayor Abbott added that a very similar tax sharing agreement was provided for Ridgeway Chevrolet last year. Mayor Abbott asked for questions or comments. There were none. Mayor Abbott asked for a roll call.
ROLL CALL
Yeas - 5 -Trustees
Nays - 0 -Trustees

Tax Sharing Agreement
Approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE
Trustee DeLaurentis made a motion to approve the following:

Payroll for the period ending August 17, 2013, in the amount of $468,602.81.
General Prepaid Bills for August 29, 2013, in the amount of $2,258.58.
General Bills for September 3, 2013, in the amount of $247,005.25.

Trustee Manno seconded.

Mayor Abbott asked for a roll call.

ROLL CALL
Yeas - 5 -Trustees
Nays - 0 -Trustees

Payroll/Bills Approved

INSURANCE
Trustee DeLaurentis had no report.

PUBLIC WORKS
Trustee Kapteyn had no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Trustee Skrbina reported that Fire Chief Gregorovic, South Holland Deputy Chief Brian Kolosh, and the MABAS 24 Dive team had recently participated in the MABAS dive mobilization exercise. The mobilization was a great success and the MABAS 24 dive team performed extremely well. The MABAS organization reimburses 100% overtime for the training excise.

Five new paid-on-call firefighters have begun the probationary period with the Fire Department. Trustee Skrbina welcomed the 5 new members and looks forward to their future years of service to the residents and businesses of our Village.

On September 14, the Lansing Fire Department will be participating in the annual MDA boot drive. Firefighters will be collecting cash donations for those afflicted with Muscular Dystrophy. Trustee Skrbina thanked the residents in advance for their continued generosity in making this event a huge success.
Lansing Police Cadets participated in the Illinois Law Enforcement Exploring Conference in Springfield, IL on August 5-9, 2013. Lansing Cadets competed in a variety of scenario based events against other Cadet teams in Illinois. Lansing Cadets finished second place in the traffic accident competition and the bomb scene competition as well as a third place in the traffic stop scenario competition. The Police Department is proud of the Cadet’s accomplishments and thanked Commander Grutzius for his continued dedication as the advisor of the program.

YOUTH CENTER
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Trustee Manno introduced Jenna Comer-Hill who explained the abstract art project that she is currently conducting at the Youth Center. The artwork is being done by the members of the Youth Center. Trustee Manno thanked Jenna for her dedication and commitment to the young people of Lansing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & AVIATION

Trustee Stole reported that the South Cook Economic Development Forum held at the Lansing Airport Ford Hangar was a huge success. Cook County President Toni Preckwinkle and Commissioner Stanley Moore spoke to an audience of over 100 dignitaries and local business owners. Ms. Preckwinkle identified tax incentives and other measures to spur redevelopment in Lansing and the South Suburbs.

Shortly after the Forum event, Airport Manager, John DeLaurentis and Planning Director Kristi DeLaurentis met with representatives from the Ford Motor Company. Upon hearing the Village’s vision for restoration of the hangar, the representatives have promised that a donation to the Ford Hangar Foundation will be made in the near future.

Trustee Stole announced that a 2nd ribbon cutting at the St. Anthony Supportive Living Facility will be held on September 24, 2013 with Cook County President Toni Preckwinkle. The County provided approximately $3 million for the project.

Trustee Stole was pleased to announce that engineering plans for the new development at the corner of Ridge and Torrence Avenue are in review. The improvement will be the beginning of the Village’s Torrence Avenue revitalization project for this corridor.

BUILDINGS & ADA

Trustee DeLaurentis announced the Building Department has been working with a software developer to dramatically enhance our permit and inspection process. The new software will enhance the department’s efficiencies, record-keeping and also allow residents and contractors to schedule their inspections, submit and pay for permits online.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Malkas, 3553 192nd Street, distributed a newsletter dated September 3, 2013. In addition, Mr. Malkas asked for clarification regarding the lobbyist agreement with Alfred G. Ronan Ltd. and the definition of the term extraordinary cost and expenses and inquired as to who will vote regarding any additional expense.
Denise Tetter-Wimberly, 17730 School expressed her concerns regarding the condition, appearance and control of wildlife for the property located at 178th & School Street which extends to the end of Chicago Avenue. She requested information regarding who owns the property and what could be done to improve the appearance and safety of the area. Village Administrator J. Wynsma explained that the village is currently trying to acquire the property through a “no cash bid process” which requires a nine to twelve month time period. Because the property is not yet owned by Lansing, the village is unable to take any action at this time.

Phyllis Cheaney, 3028 189th Street expressed her concern about the condition of the Lansing streets and in particular 189th Street. She inquired as to the status of the street repair work in her neighborhood.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS
Trustee Kapteyn asked Mr. J Wynsma, Village Administrator to review the village’s ordinances and policies regarding vacant properties and the steps required to achieve a Certificate of Occupancy.

ADJOURNMENT
Mayor Abbott adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Kooyenga
Village Clerk