

Minutes of the Public Hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville held in the Municipal Building, Williamsville, New York on Monday, September 12, 1977 at 7:35 P.M.

Roll Call: Present John B. Sheffer, II, Mayor
Lois S. Idzak
Gordon J. Kuzon Trustees
Warren D. Miller
Roger C. Walker
Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk
Joseph C. Tisdall, Village Attorney
Edward Way, Dept. of Public Works

Mayor Sheffer called the public hearing to order at 7:35 P.M.

The Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 60.30 of the Traffic Code of the Village of Williamsville by providing that no vehicle shall stand in any space between a roadway and a sidewalk.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Sheffer then turned the hearing over to Trustee Kuzon who stated the law means no vehicle may park between the curb and the sidewalk.

LOCAL LAW TO AMEND

Mr. Firkins of Firkins Drapery Shop, Inc. at 5823 Main Street stated that the shop is in a building owned by Glenn Childs and the only parking available is between the street and the sidewalk. There is room for two vehicles. If this law is adopted, it will cause a problem as there is no adjacent parking or parking in the rear of the building.

SECTION 60.30 of the TRAFFIC CODE

NO STANDING BETWEEN

Trustee Kuzon asked if parking was allowed on Main Street at this point and Mr. Firkins stated he believed it was allowed but that parking there would cause an obstruction to traffic as there is no parking lane as such. Mayor Sheffer stated there was one hour parking allowed on Main Street at this point in the Village. There is no curb there, only a depression, the shoulder, a portion of grass and the sidewalk. The shoulder is narrow and is unpaved.

ROADWAY & SIDEWALK

Attorney Tisdall advised this law would restore an ordinance that had been in our ordinances in the past years. When the traffic ordinances were recodified two to three years ago this was apparently left out.

Mr. Firkins stated that while there is parking in back of his building it is for the apartment tenants.

Mayor Sheffer stated the effect of the law might be to take the parking from the shoulder where it is now and put it in the right hand lane of traffic. He stated that while the public hearing is being held tonight, the vote will not be taken until probably the next meeting.

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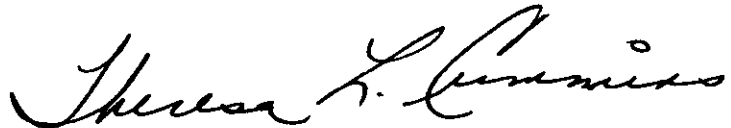
Trustee Miller stated he was opposed to this law as the net effect was to take away an area of off-street parking and we need off-street parking in the Village. This is not the solution to the parking problems. There are some areas where the parking in this area between the sidewalk and curb does not block the sidewalk or the road.

Attorney Tisdall stated there are also some areas where the traffic is obstructed by cars parking in this area. For example, the cars parked in front of the Little White House make it difficult for traffic to enter Main Street from Highland as you can't see the traffic from the west. Another area is in front of the hobby shop at Rinewalt where the cars park on the sidewalk. We have to allow for pedestrian safety and visibility for traffic. Perhaps Traffic and Safety would like to study this.

Trustee Kuzon stated the intent of the law was to address this specific safety hazard and not to solve the parking problems.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the public hearing was closed at 7:48 P.M.

Unanimously carried.



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Mayor Sheffer called the public hearing to order at 7:48 P.M.

The Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 60.50(2) of the Traffic Code of the Village of Williamsville to provide for the payment of the sum of sixty dollars (\$60.00) for towing and the sum of five dollars (\$5.00) for each day for vehicles left unattended in violation of any Village ordinances or local laws or the Vehicle and Traffic Laws of New York State.

PUBLIC HEARING TO
AMEND TRAFFIC CODE
SECTION
60.50 (2)
TOWING FEES
INCREASED.

Mayor Sheffer then turned the hearing over to Trustee Kuzon who stated this local law would raise the present fees for towing and vehicles left unattended. At present the fees are \$15.00 for towing and \$2.00 per day. These fees are out of date and tow truck operators are reluctant to tow vehicles for this lower fee. Attorney Tisdall advised this was specifically requested by the Police Department.

No one appeared in favor of, or in opposition to the local law.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the public hearing was closed at 7:50 P.M.

Unanimously carried.



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Mayor Sheffer called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Kuzon, the minutes of the regular meeting of August 22, 1977 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Kuzon, the minutes of the public hearing held August 22, 1977 regarding a local law with respect to senior citizens tax exemption were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the minutes of the special meeting held August 29, 1977 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the minutes of the special meeting held August 31, 1977 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, it was moved to suspend the rules at 7:35 P.M. in order to hold a public hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 60.30 of the Traffic Code of the Village by providing that no vehicle shall stand in any space between a roadway and a sidewalk. The hearing was closed at 7:48 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

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Unanimously carried.

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Mayor Sheffer stated the first meeting of the joint Glen Park committee was held last week. Rosemary Sugg of the predecessor Glen Park Committee was elected Chairman and the committee has begun to deal with the many aspects of the development of the park. There will be five members on the committee from the Village and four from the town. The town still has to appoint one of their members. Landscape Architect Ward was at their meeting and they reviewed the current status of construction and what will be required by way of change orders. They dealt with the large hill in the southwest corner of the park which has been the subject of much public comment. After consideration of the full range of public comment on that issue, the committee directed that the northern end of the hill be lowered to approximately 50% of its present height, the exact contour to be in the discretion of the landscape architect. In addition, Mr. Ward was directed to design any plantings, fences and contours to maximize the safety factors particularly on the slope towards Glen Avenue. Mayor Sheffer stated the Glen Park Committee has a quite a task before it. The park will probably be completed next summer.

GLEN PARK
REPORT ON
JOINT
TOWN-
VILLAGE
GLEN PARK
BOARD

Mayor Sheffer stated his first resolution pertains to the appointment of a Village Historian. For about the last decade, Helen Campbell served as the Historian. She passed away several months ago. Since that time, the Village Board has been considering the appointment of a new Historian. We asked the newly formed Historical Society for their recommendations and they have made a recommendation for this. Mayor Sheffer then read a letter from the Society regarding the qualifications of Mary Dryden as Historian.

ON MOTION by Mayor Sheffer, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Mary Dryden be appointed
Village Historian until the end of the
1977-1978 official Village year to serve
without compensation.

APPOINTMENT -

Village
Historian

Mayor Sheffer reminded the audience that under our new rules anyone from the audience can comment on any resolution before it is voted on.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Sheffer stated his second resolution dealt with calling for a public hearing regarding fiscal and operational impact statements. He stated a public hearing was held in May regarding a proposed resolution relating to impact statements. Since that time, the Clerk, Village Attorney and he have revised and hopefully streamlined it so that complying with the procedure would not be a burden which would outweigh its usefulness. Under the procedure, any Board member proposing a resolution would have to state the approximate cost and where the funding would come from. For example, in proposing a truck route, they would have to state the approximate cost of signs and applying to the State to put them up and also where the money would come from.

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From an operational standpoint, Mayor Sheffer stated the procedures adopted would standardize procedure by which resolutions are presented and considered.

ON MOTION by Mayor Sheffer, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk publish a notice of public hearing to be held in the Municipal Building, 5583 Main Street, Williamsville, New York on September 26, 1977 at 7:35 P.M. to hear all persons interested in a resolution regarding the adoption of a fiscal impact procedure for the Village of Williamsville.

PUBLISH NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING

Fiscal Impact
Procedure

Trustee Miller stated he was very much in favor of this procedure and that it was overdue.

Mayor Sheffer stated the form will be a one page letter size form that answers the questions regarding the cost and where the funding was coming from. It is an attempt to benefit beforehand from the answers to these questions. All too often these questions are answered only after the resolution has passed.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Miller stated the paving is going along nicely.

Trustee Miller stated we recently received approval from the state on the design for the guardrail for the water line on Main Street. Now it is a matter of putting everything together and completing the job.

Trustee Miller stated his first resolution dealt with having better coverage in our Water Department by splitting up one person's job so that we will have two people reading the meters but it will cost us no more money.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that a position of water meter reader, part-time, be created in the Water Department.

POSITION CREATED

Water Meter Reader
Part-time

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Thomas Fayle be appointed water meter reader, part-time at a rate of \$2.75 per hour.

APPOINTMENT -
Water Meter Reader P/T
Thomas Fayle

Trustee Kuzon asked why as a new Village employee the reader was being paid \$2.75 per hour instead of the minimum wage of \$2.30 per hour. Trustee Miller stated the \$2.75 rate was the same as that being paid to the present meter reader and the funding is already there for paying this amount. Also, it enables us to attract a person who may be more diligent in their job. Often, with young people who read the meters, their interest wanes and they develop conflicts which interfere with their meter reading responsibilities.

Mayor Sheffer asked if the present meter reader hadn't requested this help and Trustee Miller advised she had.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Miller stated his next resolution was not as printed on the agenda. When we originally advertised for a new dump truck it was with the stipulation that we could also advertise for bids from the public for the purchase of our truck as well as for the trade-in allowance on the new truck. You can often get more on a direct sale to the public than you can by trade-in. We had a bid of \$1,001 for the truck which was considerably more than on a trade-in.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the 1969 International Harvester Load Star 1700 dump truck is sold to John DiCosmo, the high bidder for a price of \$1,001.00.

SALE OF VILLAGE
EQUIPMENT
1969 International Dump
Truck to high bidder
John DiCosmo

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Walker stated the pools in Garrison and Island Parks will be closed as of this week. The playground equipment will be out of the parks at the end of this month.

Trustee Walker stated his first resolution dealt with a power pole in Glen Park.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Miller, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized to sign Change Order #2 for Glen Park Contract #3 concerning installation of a 35 foot utility pole.

GLEN PARK
Authorization to
sign Change Order #2 for
- Contract #3

8/18/77 Bids - Sale of Dump Truck

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| ① John Di Cosmo
112 Arund | \$ 1,001. ⁰⁰ |
| ② Brian H. Grath
994 Geo. Urban Blvd.
Cheektowaga Ny 14225 | \$ 850. ⁰⁰ |
| ③ T. Ferris
241 Country Parkway | \$ 800.- |
| ④ Clarence Auto Repair
9430 Main St.
Clarence, N.Y. 14031 | \$ 500.- |

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Mayor Sheffer stated this was one of the items that had been considered by the joint Glen Park committee and they recommended approving this.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Walker stated his next resolution dealt with the \$72,000 in Community Development funds that have been allocated to us and have just been received. The Mayor has to sign the contracts on this.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Miller, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized to sign the 1977 Community Development Contracts for the 3rd year program.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Mayor authorized to sign 3rd yr contract

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Idzak stated the Beautification Committee will meet tomorrow night to plan the next phase of the Main Street tree planting program. They will decide on the kinds of trees and where they will be planted.

Trustee Idzak stated that Wednesday night at 8:00 at the Amherst Highway Department cafeteria the Amherst Youth Board will be reporting on the results of their vandalism study. Anyone who is interested in this problem will find this to be worthwhile attending. There will also be a public hearing on vandalism two weeks from tomorrow also at the same place on the same subject.

Trustee Idzak stated there will be forum on housing for the elderly on September 27th at 3:00 P.M. at the Amherst Senior Citizens Center. Our consultant on senior citizens housing, Jack Daugherty, will serve on this forum. There is now a meeting of the Planning Board and representatives of Forest City Dilln going over more plans for the senior citizens building.

Trustee Idzak stated that after the public hearing held at our last meeting on the senior citizens exemption we had no further public input, either pro or con. She then offered the following resolution for adoption, effective December 1st.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Kuzon, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Local Law # for 1977 - Senior Citizen Tax Exemption, which was the subject of public hearing August 22, 1977 is adopted. (Copy of local law attached.)

LOCAL LAW ADOPTED
Senior Citizen Tax Exemption

(Please Use this Form for Filing your Local Law with the Secretary of State)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

~~County~~
~~City~~ of Williamsville
~~Town~~
Village

Local Law No. of the year 19 77.....

A local law Tax Exemption Property owners over 65 years of age
(Insert title)

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the
(Name of Legislative Body)

~~County~~
~~City~~ of Williamsville as follows:
~~Town~~
Village

Effective December 1, 1977, a Local Law to amend and supercede the Village Law in relation to the granting of exemption from taxation of 50 per cent of assessed valuation to those property owners 65 years of age or over, who have owned their home more than two years and whose annual income does not exceed \$7,200.

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Mayor Sheffer stated the effect of the law is to raise the maximum level of income for a senior citizen to qualify for a tax exemption on their property. He stated the State has authorized this. It is up to the municipalities to decide as to whether or not they are going to do this. It means several cents more in the total per year to the other taxpayers, not cents per thousand.

Trustee Idzak asked for a roll call vote.

Vote on Roll Call: Trustee Miller - aye; Trustee Walker, - aye; Trustee Kuzon - aye; Trustee Idzak - aye; Mayor Sheffer - aye. Ayes - 5; Noes - 0.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kuzon stated the Planning Board is meeting at this time in the Village Conference Room. They have a lengthy but interesting agenda. He invited everyone to go to the meeting after the Board meeting and see how they work. Representatives of Forest City Dillon were present at the Planning Board meeting tonight and have plans and drawings with them of the planned senior citizens building.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, vouchers in the sum of \$97,371.29 were approved as follows:

Payroll Fund	W/E 8/26/77	\$ 6,119.99
	W/E 9/2/77	3,397.76
	W/E 9/9/77	<u>3,344.73</u>
Total Payroll		\$12,862.48
General Fund	Abstract #400	37,492.42
Water Fund	Abstract #390	13,354.35
Trust & Agency Fund	Abstract #40	11,265.94
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	Abstract #37	140.60
E.D.A.	Abstract #4	<u>22,255.50</u>
Total Vouchers		\$97,371.29

Trustee Kuzon stated there were two large vouchers - one for \$24,580.00 for principal and interest on serial bonds and one for \$22,255.50 for payments on the Glen Park project.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Way of the Department of Public Works stated the paving program is going well. They have already done Grove Street, Oakgrove, North Cayuga and Rinewalt Street. They are going onto Hirschfield this week.

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Trustee Miller stated that during the recent flooding there was a problem at the flood gates due to trees and logs that accumulated there. It necessitated getting a crane to remove them and we were fortunate to get a crane from the Darling Company for this and they did not charge us. We want to publicly thank them.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, it was moved to suspend the rules for public participation.

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Harry Lacēy, 91 N. Long Street, stated his house was at the corner of the Glen Avenue Extension. He wanted to have someone come and look at the roadway between Glen Avenue and his property. It is in pretty bad shape. Mr. Way stated it was on his list and he would be there tomorrow to look at it. He could not say when the Department would be there to take care of it as he did not know exactly what needed to be done.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, it was moved to return to regular session.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 P.M.

Unanimously carried.



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