

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, October 24, 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 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 hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 16.32 of the Fire Code of the Village of Williamsville by providing that applications for variances may be made to and acted upon by the Board of Appeals of the Village of Williamsville. All decisions of the Board of Appeals shall be filed with the Village Clerk within 10 days of adoption.

PUBLIC
HEARING

Mayor Sheffer turned the hearing over to Trustee Walker, who stated the way the law reads at present it calls for a review board to act upon applications for variances. The new local law would make the Board of Appeals our review board for this purpose. Trustee Walker then read the proposed local law and asked for any comments.

LOCAL LAW TO AMEND SECTION 16.32 of Fire Code

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

Mayor Sheffer stated a resolution regarding this local law will probably be on the agenda at our next meeting.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the public hearing was closed at 7:37 P.M.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins,
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Walker, the minutes of the regular meeting held October 11, 1977 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Idzak, it was moved to suspend the rules at 7:35 P.M. in order to hold a public hearing on amending Section 16.32 of the Fire Code by providing that applications for variances may be made to and acted upon by the Board of Appeals of the Village. The hearing was closed at 7:37 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

The Clerk read a letter of resignation from Village Attorney Joseph Tisdall. The resignation is effective October 31, 1977. Mr. Tisdall will be undertaking new duties as an officer of the Farmers Bank of the State of Delaware.

Resignation - Joseph
Tisdall - Attorney

Mayor Sheffer stated this is Mr. Tisdall's last regular Board meeting and the Board wanted to present Mr. Tisdall with a small token of appreciation on behalf of the Board and Village staff. He stated that as a Trustee and now as Mayor of the Village he appreciated and respected Mr. Tisdall's counsel and advice on many matters affecting the Village. For seven years he has done a competent, commendable job in that role and we appreciate it. Mayor Sheffer stated we all wish him the best in his new position in Delaware. Mayor Sheffer stated he believed that public service is an honorable and worthwhile service second to none. Mayor Sheffer then presented Mr. Tisdall with a montage of village scenes which noted his Village residence, service on the school board and service as Village attorney.

Mr. Tisdall thanked the Board and staff for their gift, stating he appreciated it very much.

Mayor Sheffer stated that since receiving Mr. Tisdall's letter a week or so ago, he has contacted and interviewed some 12 to 15 attorneys who have some background in municipal law or some contact with the Village. He has narrowed the choice down to 3 or 4 and

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expects to make an announcement with the next couple of days. Upon the resignation of the Village attorney it is a Mayor's appointment but he expects to review the various candidates with the Trustees and come to a decision this week so the new attorney can review the current files with Mr. Tisdall before he leaves.

Mayor Sheffer stated the Town and Village recently established the Joint Board for the operation and maintenance of Glen Park. The Committee has recommended to the Village and Town a change order which represents a savings of \$297 and pertains to a change in the stove heating the small pavilion or building in the northern end of the park.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, it was moved to suspend the rules in order to consider a resolution not on the agenda.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED that Change Order No. 3 pertaining to Glen Park Development Contract No. 3 as recommended by the Glen Park Committee be approved.

GLEN PARK -
Change Order #3
Contract #3 approved

Mayor Sheffer reminded the audience that under our rules they may comment on any resolution before it is voted on.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, it was moved to return to the regular agenda.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kuzon had no report.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, vouchers in the sum of \$34,031.05 were approved as follows:

Payroll Fund	W/E 10/14/77	\$ 3,107.40
	W/E 10/21/77	3,201.34
Total Payroll		\$ 6,308.74
General Fund	Abstract #403	6,727.25
Water Fund	Abstract #393	20,721.27
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	Abstract #40	<u>273.79</u>
Total Vouchers		\$34,031.05

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Trustee Kuzon stated there was one large voucher for \$20,284.76 for the purchase of water from the Erie County Water Authority.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kuzon stated his second resolution concerned the Building Department. We would like Building Inspector Freeman to attend a course at the Building Officials School in Hamburg to provide for a source of uniform understanding and interpretation of New York State Building Construction Code and its amendments. The Building Inspector will contribute his own time to attend these seminars.

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

RESOLVED that Joseph Freeman, Building and Plumbing Inspector, be authorized to attend the Building Officials School in Hamburg, New York on November 1st, 10th, 15th, 29th, and December 6, 1977 and the expenses to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND
BUILDING OFFICIALS
SCHOOL --
Building & Plumbing
Inspector

Trustee Kuzon stated this represents a substantial time commitment for Mr. Freeman and we appreciate his willingness to attend.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kuzon stated he wanted to join the Mayor and Board in thanking Mr. Tisdall for his dedicated service to the Village, and in wishing him good luck in the future.

Mayor Sheffer stated that immediately after the Board meeting the Village was hosting a small reception for Mr. Tisdall in the Village Conference Room and everyone was welcome to attend.

Trustee Miller stated he wanted to offer his congratulations to Mr. Tisdall and wish him well in his new undertaking. He thanked him for the diligence with which he pursued his job with the Village.

Trustee Miller stated the main street water line was all installed now and will be put in service as soon as the pressure testing and water purity testing was done.

Trustee Miller stated the sidewalk plow will be back next week and will be ready for service. He stated the dump truck should be in the middle of next week. When it arrives the dump body will be attached to it and the wing plow off our old truck will also be installed on it.

Trustee Miller stated we are still compiling a list of problem areas in the Village. The water storage facility at the foot of

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Rinewalt Street is approaching its 12th year of service. It is past due for the 10 year maintenance work on the interior of the tank. We will inspect the interior of the tank and will hopefully get consent of the Trustees for bids to be let for the repainting of the exterior and interior of the tank.

Trustee Miller stated considerable time and effort is being expended in the park area of Glen Park and it should be noted that the bridge was built in 1937. It is in sorry need of repair work in the form of sandblasting and painting. The water control dam also needs painting and money has been budgeted for this work.

Trustee Miller stated his first resolution deals with a parcel of land that for years has been off the tax rolls. The land is known as the 30' Milton Street Reserve. We have researched the whys and wherefores of how the Village obtained the land and it has been determined by the Board that this property serves no present use or future use for the Village. This places it in the category of surplus property. We have taken steps to put this land back on the tax rolls. We have a problem back in that area with the abandoned Williamsville Warehouse operation. The land is south of the Long Street Park. We have a big vandalism problem back in the area and there is a fire hazard there. We have been approached by the Herbert F. Darling Company on California. They are interested in acquiring this property. They want to take over the Metzloff property and demolish some of the unused buildings, clean up the area, refurbish the house there and install a chainlink fence around the premises. It will be comparable to their operation on California. They will do landscape work. Trustee Miller stated the Darling Company has acted as great contributors to the Village, supplying us, among other things, with equipment free of charge that we used to remove ice jams.

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

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to effect the sale and transfer of the parcel of land known as "The 30' Milton Street Reserve" to Herbert F. Darling, Inc. in consideration of \$6,000.00, the exchange of title to the northeast corner of 150 Milton St. and the installation of landscaping along the southerly common boundary of the Long St. Village Park. The Village finds that the property which is the subject of this sale is no longer required for Village purposes, based on the reports of the Recreation Committee, the Planning Commission and the investigations of the Trustees. The sale shall be subject to a covenant running with the land that travel between the property

TRANSFER OF
VILLAGE OWNED
PROPERTY

30' Milton Street
Reserve to
Herbert F. Darling,
Inc.

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and Milton Street shall be restricted to vehicles of 10,000 pounds maximum gross weight, or less.

Trustee Miller stated the price quoted in the resolution is a little over twice the appraised value of the land. This appraisal was done by an independent appraiser. The intent of the exchange of title is to square off a parcel of land at the southeast corner of the Long Street Park so we will have an area for off-street parking which could be used for parking for the basketball courts, tennis courts and the park in general.

Mayor Sheffer stated one of the main benefits will be additional parking for the tennis courts. He stated Town Councilman Charles Moses was in the audience tonight and that he was one of the main people who helped obtain these courts on South Long Street.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Miller stated his second resolution dealt with the installation of high pressure sodium lights on Main Street. The resolution will allow us to remove the mercury vapor and incandescent heads and replace them with high pressure sodium heads. We will be getting an additional 50% in illumination and this will be accomplished with about one-third of our present energy consumption. We have also included in our plans the installation of receptacles to plug in our lighted Christmas decorations. This will save us \$300 to \$400 annually for running lines into businesses and will also have the benefit of eliminating the problem we have had in repairing lights that go out on the decorations. The total dollar value that we will expend on the switchover will be approximately the same as we pay for our lighting.

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

LIGHTING -- Main Street

RESOLVED that the Village of Williamsville install 42 high pressure sodium lamps on Main Street at no capital cost and an annual utility cost to the Village of approximately \$3,820 including the receptacles.

Change to high pressure sodium lamps

Mayor Sheffer stated the question of the changeover was first presented to the Environmental Council and then to the Traffic & Safety Committee and the changeover was recommended by them.

Trustee Kuzon asked if the \$3,820 figure represented an increase or decrease from the present cost. Trustee Miller stated it was somewhat of an increase but there is a credit and when the credit is taken into consideration there is no substantial increase. Mayor Sheffer stated the net cost is somewhat less than what we currently pay. We pay about \$300 to electricians to hook up our decorations at Christmas.

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Trustee Miller stated he wanted to thank the members of the Environmental Council for going downtown to see how these types of lights work. They handled the matter in a most expeditious manner and should be commended for this.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Walker stated he wanted to wish Mr. Tisdall well in his new job in Delaware and thanked him for his help while he was on the Board.

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

RESOLVED that the Village Board sitting as Board of Fire Commissioners and acting upon the recommendation of the Review Board of Hutchinson Hose Company does instate the following persons as a fireman in the Williamsville Fire Department.

APPOINTMENT -
Firemen

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Address</u>
Dennis Cucinotta	8/22/59	146 California Dr.
Timothy P. Reinhart	6/14/56	39 Chalmers

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk, Theresa L. Cummins, be authorized to attend a one-day workshop on Unemployment Insurance Administration and Fixed Assets Accounts in Syracuse, New York on December 1st and the expenses to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

AUTHORIZATION TO
ATTEND TRAINING
SCHOOL IN SYRACUSE

Clerk-Treasurer

Trustee Walker stated this is a budgeted item. The purpose is to provide in-depth training regarding administrative responsibilities which confront local governments in 1978. The cost is the \$10 registration fee and one night's lodging.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Sheffer complimented the Fire Department for their programs during Fire Prevention Week and their work during the year to educate people on fire prevention.

Trustee Idzak stated it had been a pleasure working with Mr. Tisdall and she wished him well in his new job.

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Trustee Idzak also welcomed Trustee Walker back to the Board following his hospitalization.

Trustee Idzak stated she had met last week with a representative of the Erie County Division of Planning and they went over the Village's senior citizen survey. The representative stated it was the most comprehensive survey he had seen and they will use it as a model for the rest of the county. The information in the survey will be released within the next week to both the senior citizens committee and the public. She stated the Fire Department was the only department not criticized in the survey and they should be proud of this fact.

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

RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized to sign cooperation agreement with the County of Erie covering the County's 1978 fiscal year application pursuant to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

AUTHORIZATION - Mayor to sign cooperative agreement with County for 1978 Housing & Community Development Funds

Mayor Sheffer stated the Village is part of a consortium with other villages in the county with respect to community development funds and this authorizes our participation for 1978.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Idzak stated that for the past six months she has been in the unique position of being the first and only woman on the Board. She stated she has tried to bring a woman's thinking to Village matters and she stated she believes the Village should designate a specific night for the children to go trick or treating. She believes it would benefit the children's safety and reduce the amount of vandalism.

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

RESOLVED that Monday, October 31, from 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. be designated "Trick or Treat" night in the Village of Williamsville.

TRICK & TREAT NIGHT SET

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Way wished Mr. Tisdall good luck in his new job in Delaware.

Mr. Way asked that residents not put their leaves in the streets as they clog the receivers. They should be placed between the sidewalk and curb.

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Mayor Sheffer reminded residents that the second garbage pickup on Saturday ended as of October 15th.

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

Unanimously carried.

William Groth, 15 Garden Parkway, reported that they have started to repair the old buildings at the railroad station. He also stated Attorney Tisdall has been a nice man to deal with during his years as Village Attorney.

Mr. Groth asked if the Village could get rid of a wasp nest at the top of one of the maple trees or if they would have to get a tree surgeon to do it. The tree is on Village property. Mr. Way stated he would look into the matter.

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

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Sheffer stated he would appreciate it if everyone in the audience attended the reception for Mr. Tisdall following the meeting.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins,
Village Clerk-Treasurer