

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of
Williamsville held in the Municipal Building, Williamsville, New York on
Tuesday, February 14, 1978 at 7:30 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
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney
David Laubisch, Department of Public Works

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with a minute of silent prayer for John Klute who is very ill. John is an employee of the Department of Public Works and an exemplary Village citizen.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Walker, the minutes of the regular meeting of January 23, 1978 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the minutes of the Public Hearing to amend Local Law #2 - 1975 - Dog Control Law held January 23, 1978 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker, the minutes of the Special Meeting held January 27, 1978 to advertise for bids for a sidewalk plow were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Miller, the minutes of the Special Meeting held February 6, 1978 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Walker, it was moved to suspend the rules at 7:35 p.m. in order to hold two public hearings; the first on a proposed local law which empowers a claim by the Village against the proceeds of fire insurance for back taxes; and the second for input on the Comprehensive Planning Study. The public hearings were closed at 8:20 p.m.

Mayor Sheffer announced that several important dates were approaching:
February 21st is Grievance Day in the Village Conference Room from
3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

February 28th is the date of the Boards' next meeting. It will include a public hearing on Townsend Square.

March 4th is Registration Day from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m. in the Village Clerk's Office.

March 21st is Election Day from 12:00 noon to 9:00 p.m. Two trustees positions are to be filled.

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

RESOLVED that Mayor John B. Sheffer, II, Village
Attorney, Thomas Troy, and Trustee Warren Miller
be appointed as the Negotiating Committee for the
Village of Williamsville during the up coming
negotiations with the American Federation of States,
County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Local
No. 1783C.

APPOINTMENTS
Negotiation Committee

Mayor Sheffer explained that the current contract with the Department of
Public Works expires on May 31st. An independent negotiator will not be
hired this year. The Board feels confident that the Committee can negotiate
with the Union and save the Village approximately \$15000 which has been the
negotiators fee in prior years.

Mayor Metz commended the Board for taking this attitude since the Village
is small and does not have a large number of union employees.

Vote on Roll Call: Ayes - 5; Noes - 0

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Sheffer, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following resolu-
tion was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Deputy Treasurer, Marjorie Mahoney,
is hereby authorized to attend a double entry school
in Alden, NY on April 18, 19, 25, 26, 27, and May 24
and the expenses not to exceed \$50.00 to be paid by
the Village of Williamsville.

AUTHORIZATION
Attend double entry
accounting
school
M. Mahoney

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Idzak reported there are 43 persons present at this meeting which
is four times the normal number.

The Sunday program for the Senior Citizens at the Senior Citizen Center
is well attended.

As a followup to Teenage Vandalism, a committee has been formed to pursue
the topic further and Lois Idzak and Rita Andrews have been named to that
committee.

ON MOTION by Trustee Idzak, seconded by Trustee Walker, the following re-
solution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Mayor Sheffer be authorized to sign a
contract with the Town of Amherst on behalf of the
Village of Williamsville authorizing a Youth Develop-
ment Program for the period January 1, 1978 to
December 31, 1978 at a cost to the Village not to exceed
\$7,056.00. This cost will be divided as follows:

AUTHORIZATION
Mayor to sign
contract with Amherst
Youth Program
1978

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Youth Service Share - \$5,056.00
 Utilities at 72 S. Cayuga Rd. - \$2,000.00
 (1/3 of Water, 1/3 of Electric and 60% of Telephone)

Trustee Idzak stated that the \$5,000 Village expenditure for Youth Service
 is matched by \$5,000 from the State. Also since the program began several
 years ago, the Village has always paid a portion of the utility costs.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kuzon reported that the public hearing exceptional development for
 Townsend Square will be held, Tuesday, February 28th at 7:35 p.m.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Idzak, vouchers in the amount
 of \$66,926.65 were approved:

Payroll Fund w/e 1/27/78	6,520.45
2/ 3/78	3,366.17
2/10/78	<u>3,128.76</u>
Total Payroll	13,015.38
General Fund Abstract #410	29,365.75
Water Fund " 400	22,700.48
Federal Revenue " 466	1,286.84
EDA Fund " 12	<u>558.20</u>
Total Vouchers	<u>66,926.65</u>

Large Vouchers - Water Fund - Purchase water	22,158.66
General Fund - Garbage Pickup	
Amherst Disposal	6,706.65
General Fund - Britting - Gelia	
Umbrella Coverage	5,300.00

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Miller reported that the sidewalk plow which the Village ordered
 will be here on February 15th. He also stated the Village is doing a feasibility
 study regarding the Village picking up garbage rather than contracting out
 to a firm.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker the following re-
 solution was adopted:

CONTRACT AWARDED

WHEREAS the Village has advertised for sealed bids
 for Sanitary Sewers - West Side of Mill Street (Main
 Street to Belmont Street) and

Mill Street Sewer

WHEREAS Lebis Contracting Company submitted the
 lowest bid meeting specifications,

Lebis
 Contracting Company

NOW, THEREFORE, the contract for Sanitary Sewers -
 West Side of Mill Street (Main St. to Belmont St.)
 is awarded to Lebis Contracting Company for a price
 of \$112,261.00.

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Trustee Miller stated that this project is being funded 75% by the Federal
Government.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Walker the following re-
solution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Bissell Merrill Associates, Engineers are hereby appointed the Village Engineers until the end of the 1977-1978 official Village year, as per their proposal of January 28, 1978.	APPOINTMENT Village Engineers Bissell Merrill Associates
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Trustee Miller explained that historically Bissell, Merrill had been the
Village Engineers and had been paid a \$100 a month retainer fee. Large
services will be billed on an as needed basis.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the following re-
solution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Bissell Merrill Associates, Engineers are hereby appointed as assistant Building and Plumbing Inspectors until the end of the 1977-1978 official Village year.	APPOINTMENT Assistant Building & Plumbing Inspectors Bissell Merrill
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Trustee Miller explained that this procedure would be advantageous to the
residents and businessmen inasmuch as Bissell, Merrill are open from 8:00 a.m.
to 6:00 p.m. while the Village Building Department is only part time. Bissell
Merrill can fill in while the Building Department is not open.

Mr. Richard Hill, 18 Brookside Drive, questioned whether the \$100 retainer
fee will cover the building permits or will the Village be paying them the
rate of an engineer.

Trustee Miller stated Bissell Merrill would be paid on an inspector rate.
The Village must also reevaluate their fee structure inasmuch as present fees
do not cover our costs and this should be a self containing type of program.

Mayor Metz questioned whether the volume of permit applications and number
of inspections warranted an assistant and whether the Village could have
the engineering firm do the work on a per job basis and save the Village
money.

Trustee Miller explained that the Village is considering having one firm
or person handle the entire package - whether it will be in the Village
building department or thru Bissell Merrill has not been decided as yet.
This is a transitional period and the final decision will be made at the
organizational meeting.

Mayor Sheffer stated that this is an experimental period to see in which
way the Village should proceed.

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Vote on Roll Call: Ayes - 5; Noes - 0.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Miller, the following re-
solution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Local Law #2 - 1978 - Dog Control Law
(which amended Local Law #2 - 1975) which was the
subject of a public hearing on January 23, 1978 is
hereby adopted. (copy of local law attached).

LOCAL LAW ADOPTED
#2 - 1978

Dog Control Law

Trustee Walker stated copies of the Dog Control Law are being printed and
will be available in the Village Clerk's and Town Clerk's offices.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the following re-
solution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Town of Amherst Dog Wardens are
hereby appointed the Dog Wardens for the Village
of Williamsville as required by Section 119 of the
Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York.

APPOINTMENT

Town Dog Wardens
as
Dog Wardens for Village

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Idzak, the following re-
solution was adopted:

WHEREAS the Village Clerk has returned her warrant
and tax roll and has delivered to the Board of
Trustees an account of taxes remaining due, amounting
to \$14,489.72 containing description of the land
upon which such taxes are unpaid as the same were
placed upon the tax roll, together with the amount
of the tax so assessed and interest thereon, and

UNPAID TAXES
RETURNED TO
BOARD

WHEREAS the said Village Clerk under oath has sworn
that the taxes mentioned in such account remain unpaid,
and that after diligent efforts she has been unable
to collect same, and

WHEREAS upon receiving such account from the Village
Clerk, the Board of Trustees compared the same with
the original tax roll of the Village, and

WHEREAS said Board of Trustees find such account to
be true transcript and has certified to the effect
that they have compared it with the original tax
roll and find it to be correct.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clerk of
the Village of Williamsville is hereby credited by

LOCAL LAW NO. FOR THE YEAR 1978

Dog Control Law

The Trustees of the Village of Williamsville have had numerous complaints that residents of the Village are being annoyed, frightened and injured by dogs, both licensed and unlicensed, singly and in groups, roaming the Village out of the control of any person. Upon investigation the Trustees have found that the complaints are valid and that large numbers of dogs roaming the Village out of the control of any person constitute a serious hazard to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village of Williamsville. Accordingly, it adopts this dog control law.

1. Dogs are prohibited in the Village of Williamsville except under control and as follows:

(a) No person, firm or corporation owning, keeping, harboring or having the care, custody or control of any dog, shall allow or permit such dog to be off the premises of such person, firm or corporation inside the Village of Williamsville, unless restrained by a chain or leash not exceeding six (6) feet in length and under the control of a responsible person. Whenever a dog is found off the premises of the person, firm or corporation owning, keeping, harboring or having the care, custody or control of such dog, not restrained as above provided, it shall be presumed that such person, firm or corporation permitted or allowed such dog to be off such premises in violation of this section.

(b) No person, firm or corporation shall keep, or allow to be kept on premises owned by such person, firm or corporation, any dog which by its frequent barking, howling or whining or other noise shall unreasonably disturb the comfort or repose of any person.

(c) No person, firm or corporation owning or occupying a premises on which a dog is kept shall permit such premises to be unclean or unsanitary.

(d) No person shall hinder, resist or oppose any police officer, the Dog Warden or employee or representative of the Village in their performance of their duties under this Local Law.

(e) No person, firm or corporation shall own, keep, harbor, have care, custody or control of any dog not licensed as required by Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York.

2. Additional Provisions. Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law shall be applicable in addition to the provisions of this Local Law.

3. Definitions. "Dog" shall mean any dog or either sex.

4. Owner Under Age Sixteen. In the event the owner shall be a child under the age of sixteen (16) years, then the head of the household in which said child resides shall be deemed to have custody and control of said dog and shall be responsible for any acts in violation of this Local Law.

5. Enforcement.

(a) This Local Law shall be enforced by the members of the Amherst Police Department, the Dog Warden of the Town of Amherst, or any other agent or employee designated by the Village Board hereafter.

(b) The Dog Warden of the Town of Amherst and such other agents or employees as may hereafter be designated by the Village Board are hereby authorized to issue and serve appearance tickets upon any person, firm or corporation who or which has committed a violation of this Local Law in his presence.

(c) For the purpose of discharging the duties imposed by this Local Law and the provisions of Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, each member of the Police Department, the Dog Warden, or any other agent or employee hereafter designated by the Village Board for these purposes, is hereby authorized and directed to enter upon any premises upon which any dog is kept or harbored, and to demand the exhibition by the person owning or having charge or control of such dog of the license tag for such dog.

6. Penalties.

(a) Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of subdivisions A through D inclusive, of section 2 of this Local Law shall be guilty of an offense punishable by a fine of not more than twenty five dollars for a first violation; not more than fifty dollars for a second violation; and not more than seventy five dollars for a third violation and all subsequent violations.

(b) Any person, firm or corporation violating subdivision E of Section 2 of this Local Law shall be guilty of an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$10.00. The prosecution of such offense shall be in lieu of a civil action pursuant to Section 113 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York.

7. Validity. If any clause, sentence, paragraph or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be adjudged by any court to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof or the application thereof to other persons and circumstances but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof and the persons and circumstances directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

8. Repeal. Upon this Local Law taking effect, the dog ordinance of the Village of Williamsville adopted March 25, 1975 is superseded and therefore repealed.

9. Effective Date. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

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this Board of Trustees with amount of said account
in said return, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the unpaid taxes or tax
liens shall be collected by the sale of taxes or tax
liens to the Village, with interest at $\frac{1}{2}\%$ per month,
as provided by Section 1436 of the Real Property Tax
Law and the proceedings thereunder shall be as pro-
vided in said section and a copy of this resolution
certified by the Village Clerk shall be filed in the
office of the Village Clerk with the account, affidavit
and certificate of such unpaid taxes.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Walker, seconded by Trustee Miller, the following re-
solution was adopted:

Resolution of the Village of Williamsville agreeing
to permit the Department of Transportation to Construct
a Federal-Aid-Rail-Highway Crossing Program Project on
the Highways, Streets and/or Roads of the Municipality.

RAILROADS

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation
has proposed a Rail-Highway Crossing Program Project,
pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Safety Act of
1973 as amended by Section 203 of the Federal Highway
Safety Act of 1976, and

Pavement
marking
program by
NYS Department
of Transportation

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation
has notified this Board of the approval of plans and
specifications for such a Rail-Highway Crossing Program
Project, for the Rail-Highway Crossing which are under
the jurisdiction of the municipality, and which project
is more completely described as signed and pavement
marking at the crossing of LV Niagara Falls at So. Long
Street covered under PIN S930.00.122

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation
has made known its intention to advertise a contract for
the above-described improvement and has requested an
agreement from the Board to the effect that it will permit
the State, its agents or employees to enter upon the
highways, roads and/or streets under the jurisdiction
of the municipality for the purpose of performing the
above-described improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of
Trustees of the Village of Williamsville duly convened
in legal session held on the 14th day of February, 1978,
does hereby approve of the above-described improvement
to be performed on the highways, roads and/or streets
of this municipality and does hereby agree with the
State Department of Transportation that the authorities

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will permit the State, its agents and employees to enter upon the highways, roads and/or streets of the municipality for the purposes of carrying out the above-described Rail-Highway Crossing Program Project, and IT IS FURTHER

RAILROADS
(Con't)

Pavement marking
by NYS DOT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of this municipality does hereby agree with the State Department of Transportation that the municipality shall retain jurisdiction over the highways, roads and/or streets within the project area and hold harmless the State of New York for any damage to the property or persons of others due to the performance of any of the employees or agents of the municipality, and IT IS FURTHER

RESOLVED: That upon completion of the above-described Rail-Highway Crossing Program Project, the Municipality will maintain the improvement and the highways, roads and/or streets so improved in accordance with the New York State Highway Law and the Federal Highway Safety Acts of 1973 and 1976 and Federal Standards and criteria in connection with such project.

RESOLVED: That for the Rail-Highway Crossing Program Project, the municipality agrees to schedule any highway resurfacing so that it will not obliterate newly painted markings, except as necessitated by emergency situations whereby resurfacing is essential to maintaining proper traffic operations, IT IS FURTHER

RESOLVED: That the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed, within ten days after the adoption of this resolution, to transmit eight (8) certified copies of the foregoing resolution to the New York State Department of Transportation.

Unanimously carried.

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

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of low and moderate income Erie County residents is endangered by defects in their dwellings which expose them to weather or safety hazards and should be remedied as soon as possible; and

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM

Emergency Home Rehab
Program

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville is one of forty municipalities participating in an Erie County-sponsored Community Development Program utilizing funds provided by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

Cooperative
agreement
with Town of
Lancaster

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WHEREAS, such funds may be used to finance emergency
housing rehabilitation and winterization programs run
by private non-profit corporations; and

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM (Con't)

WHEREAS, New York State law requires a County-wide
housing rehabilitation program to be the product of
municipal cooperation with technical assistance pro-
vided by the County:

Emergency Home Rehab
Program
Cooperative
agreement
with Town of
Lancaster

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of
Williamsville favors and endorses a County-wide co-
operative effort to provide emergency home rehabilitation
and winterization assistance to low and moderate
income homeowners in Erie County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville requests
the Erie County Community Development Program to provide
technical assistance and services in developing and
coordinating such emergency home rehabilitation and
winterization programs to be operated by In-Home Support
Services of Western New York, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chief Elected Official of the Village
of Williamsville is authorized to enter into municipal
cooperation agreement with the Town of Lancaster for
the purpose of contracting with In-Home Support Services
of Western New York, Inc. for such emergency home re-
habilitation and winterization programs; and be it
further

RESOLVED, that such municipal cooperation agreements
will authorize the Town of Lancaster on behalf of
itself and the Village of Williamsville to contract
with In-Home Support Services of Western New York,
Inc. and to expend unanticipated Title I funds for
such emergency home rehabilitation and winterization
programs.

Unanimously carried.

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

Mrs. Carolyn Schrauger, 55 Oakgrove Drive, questioned Trustee Miller regarding
the garbage pickup. Would it involve extra people?

Trustee Miller stated that we have CETA employees in the Department of Public
Works at present but even if the Village had to hire additional workers, it
is felt that the cost would be less than the contract price of \$80,000 per
year.

Mrs. Connie Murray, 47 Oakgrove Drive, stated that there are 30 to 40 trees
to be planted on Main Street this year. If the Village advertises for bids

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and contracts the work to a nursery, replacement is included if the trees
die. A problem occurs when the Department of Public Works plants the trees
inasmuch as the nurserymen will not guarantee the trees if the Department
of Public Works plants them. Also, due to numerous problems which occur
such as flooding, etc., the Department of Public Works cannot plant the
trees on time.

Trustee Miller stated he is not opposed to having the entire package put out
to bid.

Trustee Idzak stated she thought it was an excellent suggestion. The guarantee
factor is very important in a program such as this.

Mr. Charles Akers, 73 Oakgrove Drive, stated there is a vacancy on the En-
vironmental Commission. A name has been proposed to fill the vacancy and
he questioned when the vacancy would be filled.

Trustee Walker stated the vacancy would probably be filled at the next meeting.

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, it was moved to
adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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Roll Call: Present: John B. Sheffer, II Mayor
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Warren D. Miller
Roger C. Walker
Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney
David Laubisch, Department of Public Works

Mayor Sheffer opened the public hearing at 7:35 p.m. The Clerk read the
notice of public hearing.

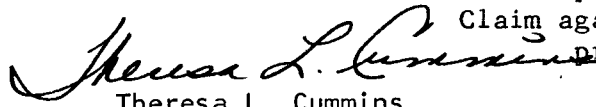
PUBLIC HEARING

Trustee Idzak stated that this proposed local law would authorize the Village
to lay a claim against the proceeds of fire insurance on real property in
the Village of Williamsville to the extent of any tax lien of the Village
on any commercial or industrial property who owned taxes in excess of one year.

Mayor Sheffer stated that New York State had authorized this law last November.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the meeting was
closed at 7:40 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

Proposed Local Law -
Claim against fire insurance
proceeds for back taxes

Theresa L. Cummins
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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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
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney
David Laubisch, Department of Public Works

Mayor Sheffer called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. The clerk read the notice of public hearing.

Trustee Kuzon explained that this was an informational planning study hearing. The purpose is three fold and as follows: 1) Allow citizen input, both residential and commercial, in regards to topics to be included in the planning study. Specifically an opportunity for residents and businessmen to voice objections to particular zoning ordinances, planning procedures, permit procedures, traffic and parking problems or other troublesome areas. 2) An opportunity for the Planning Board to update and inform the public of preliminary objectives and progress to date. The most important purpose is 3) A specific opportunity for the Village Board to take affirmative action to rectify ambiguous and troublesome zoning ordinances in direct response to a joint exchange of ideas and views by the public, Planning Board and Village Board. Too often activity in planning is stimulated by specific problems. This study provides an opportunity to identify immediate and future planning needs of the Village and in doing so, preserve traditional Village character.

PUBLIC HEARING

Comprehensive Planning

The topic of discussion is the Comprehensive Planning Study, not a Master Study Plan in the traditional sense. The term "Master Plan" connotes a planning study identifying undeveloped areas and offers proposed use regulations for areas. The Village is almost entirely developed so there is no need to plan new zoning for large undeveloped areas. The purpose of a planning study is to improve ordinances and procedures which will help to improve residential and business areas. Also to serve as a "tool box" for the needs of the Planning Board.

Using 1977-1978 Community Development Funds and authorized by Article 7 section 722 of the Village law, the Planning Board has primary responsibility for the study and has established preliminary objectives and interviewed prospective consultants. Briefly, the objectives include 1) Preparation of a map of commercial and manufacturing districts plus a minimum of 200' beyond these districts on all sides. 2) Preparation of a continuous strip photograph of the North and South sides of Main Street the entire length of the Village. 3) An Architectural Design study of various typical buildings along Main Street showing possible design variations concerning building materials, decorations signage, etc. 4) The preparation of a viable historic preservation code and program for the Village to enact, to stimulate public and merchant concern in preserving the many historic buildings. 5) The updating of various existing Village Zoning Ordinances. 6) Since financed by Community Development funds, the study will have to comply with regulations of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

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In a moment, members of the Planning Board will elaborate on the objectives,
but before involving the Planning Board, I would like to take this opportunity
to elaborate on zoning ordinances particularly ambiguous and troublesome.

1) Off Street parking suggestions as a result of the Planning Study, the
Planning Board and Village in cooperation with businesses identify parking
areas in existing commercial districts which are underachieving in regards
to parking. By this, areas which with a more efficient use of space might
increase parking. Off Street parking units of measurement. Section 70.411
A - the size of parking space, presently 270 sq. ft. is 19' X 9', previously
350 sq. ft. was 20' X 10'. This was changed in 1970. The precedent for
reducing the size established in light of trend towards smaller vehicles
might be wise to consider reducing the size of parking space. 2) Buffer
zone. 3) Surfacing of automotive Use Areas - section 70.420A presently
surfaced with durable and dustless material. Ambiguous would recommend stating
specifically what material is acceptable. 4) Sign Code - certain sections
need revision due to present ambiguity. Specifically the period of permit
validity, fees, and non-conforming signs. 5) Self-service gas stations.

PUBLIC
HEARING
(Con't)

Comprehensive Planning

Before opening the hearing for public input, I would like to allow the Planning Study
Board to present preliminary objectives.

Ken Selden, 42 Mill St., Chairman of the Planning Board discussed the Village
Code and existing conditions in commercial districts. Parking for existing
buildings is creating problems and should be dealt with before business
is lost. The Planning Board should be able to devote more time to planning
and Village needs should be dealt with as soon as possible before we loose
any more business. The Review Board and the Village Board should have overall
maps of commercial districts. An Architectural strip photograph of both
sides of Main Street should be taken for the purpose of design study of
existing and new buildings.

James Saia, 20 Belmont questioned the statement that we lost business. Did
we loose some business?

Ken Selden replied that some left because of parking.

Mr. James Saia commented that there were no empty commercial buildings in
the Village now.

Mr. Charles Akers, 73 Oakgrove, Chairman of the Environmental Advisory Council
said the overall environment of the Village of Williamsville is what makes
it a nice place to live in. The landscape available and general nature
is what makes it what it is. He would like to see added to the zoning code
a chapter to cover landscaping. Presently, architects present plot plans
and renderings showing what the landscaping will look like. There are no
ordinances to say what has to be planted and what trees are to be removed.
All plans require building permits and should include landscaping specifications
where necessary, drawn to scale. It should include the size and description
of new plants, the trees to be removed and the reason, the foliage to be
left on site. There should be adequate screening between the residential
and commercial districts. A program should be set up to protect the existing
trees. Enforcement should be set up so that the landscaping is put in before
a certificate of occupancy is issued. If the landscaping cannot be put in
because of weather, a bond should be posted to assure compliance.

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Mr. Richard Hill, 18 Brookside stated the trees and landscaping should not
block views at entrance ways to parking lots or sidewalks.

Mr. Richard Metz, 119 Monroe Drive stated the Planning Board should keep
economic impact of what is decided on in mind or no one will be able to
inquire about business along Main Street.

Mr. Michael Kibby, 24 Garrison Rd. stated there should be no description
of residential patterns and that any consideration be given to the residents
and not the commercial property. He questioned what the general plan would
be. Will there be a chance for more community input at a later date?

Trustee Kuzon stated this is the first meeting of several. After getting
feedback from this session, the Planning Board will work on it and return
to the people with their additional suggestions.

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Mr. James Saia, 20 Belmont, stated each business has problems of their own
and that businessmen and residents should get together and work together.

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Trustee Kuzon said there are many problems shared by businesses such as the
buffer zone, off street parking and signs that can be taken to the Planning
Board.

Mr. Richard Hill questioned whether the Planning Board was going to contact
the State regarding the parking problem on Main Street. He would like them
to work with the State on this problem.

Mayor Sheffer stated this would have to be done thru the Traffic and Safety
Committee and not directly with the State.

Mrs. Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, stated that many of the streets
in the Village are narrow especially where there is parking on both sides
of the street. She recommends parking on one side of every street in the
Village. Off street parking is also essential if the Village is to survive.
People will not come into the Village to patronize our stores if there is
no off street parking.

Mr. Charles Akers, 73 Oakgrove, stated zoning should remain as it now is on
Main Street. The Village should not broaden the commercial property to the
next street. He cited as an example Garrison Road noting the commercial zone
should not be broadened over to Park Drive.

Mayor Sheffer noted that an important issue had been raised by Mayor Metz.
A Williamsville Business and Professional Association representative is planning
on attending the Planning Board Sessions and presenting the association
views.

Mrs. Carolyn Shrauger, 55 Oakgrove, stated the residential elements should
have an equal opportunity.

Mayor Sheffer stated that the Community Development funds had to be spent
by September 1978. The Planning Board has interviewed a number of firms and
has not set on one but may use several firms at various stages. They expect

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to establish a timetable based on the scope of the project.

Mr. William Bancroft, 88 Oakgrove, asked if a rough timetable for a preliminary
progress report could be set tonight.

Trustee Kuzon stated that another meeting could be held in April for a progress
report. At that time, a better timetable can be established. He encouraged
residents and businessmen to attend the Planning Board meeting which are held
on the first Monday of each month.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Walker, the public hearing
was closed at 8:20 p.m.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins
Village Clerk Treasurer