

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville held in the Municipal Building, Williamsville, New York on Monday, December 10, 1979 at 7:33 PM

Roll Call

Present

Gordon J. Kuzon, Mayor

Paul Atkinson

Lawrence R. Brenton Trustees

Connie C. Murray

Rosemarie Sugg

Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk

Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney

Edward Way, Dept. of Public Works

Mayor Kuzon called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

A moment of silence was observed in recognition of the Iran hostages and a peaceful resolution to the entire problem.

Mayor Kuzon stated that last week it was his privilege to attend the annual football banquet of the South High Billies and to present the Mr. Williamsville award to this year's recipient, Mike Babin. The award is sponsored by the coaches of South High and represents exemplary spirit, character and pride. He introduced Mr. Babin and re- presented him with his award.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Murray, the minutes of the regular meeting held November 26, 1979 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, the minutes of the public hearing held November 26, 1979 regarding federal community development funds were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, the minutes of the public hearing held November 26, 1979 regarding a local law to amend sanitary sewer rent collections were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Sugg, it was moved to suspend the rules at 7:37 PM in order to hold a public hearing regarding federal community development funds. (The hearing was closed at 7:57 PM.)

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Murray, it was moved to suspend the rules at 7:58 PM in order to hold a public hearing regarding a local law to amend Section 1.14(2) of the sign code to include C-3 and R-4 Districts. (The hearing was closed at 8:00 PM.)

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Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Murray, it was moved to suspend the rules at 8:00 PM in order to hold a public hearing regarding a local law to amend Section 70.404 of the Zoning Code relating to open off-street parking. (The hearing was closed at 8:04 PM.)

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, it was moved to suspend the rules at 8:04 PM in order to hold a public hearing regarding a local law to amend Section 60.32 of the Traffic Code by removing parking on the south side of Chalmers Street between Evans and North Ellicott. (The hearing was closed at 8:10 PM.)

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon stated the next Board meeting will be on a Wednesday evening following Christmas because Monday is Christmas Eve and Tuesday is Christmas. Wednesday, December 26th at 7:30 is the first date we can schedule the meeting.

Mayor Kuzon reported that the Village Board and the Planning Board are working together on completely revising the Sign Code section as it relates to temporary signs with some very specific intentions. There would be a limit on the number of days it is issued for, a limit on the size of the signs and also prohibiting portable signs. For the time being, all temporary sign permits are being tabled by the Building Department until the code is revised. Our schedule will be to call for the public hearing at our first meeting in January and hold the public hearing at our second meeting in January. The Planning Board will review the draft proposal at their meeting the first Monday in January. Mayor Kuzon repeated that all temporary sign permits will be tabled until the code is revised.

Mayor Kuzon stated his first resolution deals with amending the Sanitary Sewer Rent Code. A public hearing on this was held at our last meeting. The charges will be computed annually. The portion attributed to operation and maintenance will be based on consumption and that related to capital cost will be based upon total assessed value of the premises connected with and served by the sewer system. The sewer rent will be collected at the same time as general Village taxes commencing with the 1980-1981 fiscal year. The rate will be established by the Board of Trustees after a public hearing. The public hearing will be held in the spring around the time of the budget hearings. Industrial, institutional or commercial property within the Village whose water supply is not exclusively provided by the Village water system but which is connected to the sanitary sewer system shall be required to install and maintain a meter or other suitable device to measure the amount of sewage discharged into the system.

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

RESOLVED that Local Law #10 - 1979, Amend Sanitary Sewer Rent Code, which was the subject of a public hearing on November 26, 1979 is hereby adopted. (Copy of Local Law attached.)

LOCAL LAW ADOPTED
#10-1979

Amend/Sanitary Sewer
Rent Code

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon advised that at this time we have approved the concept of this method of assessing sewer rent charges. The specific dollar amount will be established at a public hearing to be held at the time of the budget hearings in the spring. Sewer costs are an increasing burden for all of us and this method is not a means of alleviating the costs but to assess the costs in a more equitable way. Mayor Kuzon stated that Assemblyman Sheffer (who was present at tonight's meeting) has introduced a bill in Albany to increase the State aid to local sewage plants from 25% up to 33%.

Trustee Atkinson reported on a source of additional revenue for the Village. Every month the Village Court files a report with the State Comptroller listing all cases heard and the fines levied. The Comptroller processes the report and then a portion of the money is returned to the Village based on State Law. In speeding cases 100% of the money would be returned if the Village has an ordinance on speed limits and if the letters VO are put after each fine to indicate that it was violation of a Village ordinance. If VO is not put after the fine the State only returns \$5.00 for each speeding case. By amending our monthly reports for the past six years we should be eligible for 100% return on the fines. We are adding VO to these past speeding cases and are attaching a copy of our Village ordinance and having Village Justice Ed Rath certify the records. We will send this to the State and hope to collect about \$23,000 for the Village. We want to thank our Village Clerk for keeping us posted on ways to secure additional funds for the Village.

ON MOTION by Trustee Atkinson, seconded by Trustee Brenton, vouchers in the sum of \$51,674.18 were approved as follows:

Payroll Fund	W/E 11/30/79	\$ 6,230.45
	W/E 12/7/79	<u>4,288.72</u>
	Total Payroll	\$10,519.17
General Fund	Abstract #454	26,130.68
Sewer & Water Fund	Abstract #35	9,368.59
Federal Revenue Sharing	Abstract #82	1,718.24

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Trust & Agency Fund	Abstract #74	\$ 2,747.25
Community Development	Abstract #43	<u>1,190.25</u>
Total Vouchers		\$51,674.18

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Brenton stated that with respect to the Fire Department the Site Selection Committee has reported to the Board. They were due to report by the first of the year but completed their study early. The Board will review their report and hopefully will be able to reach some conclusions in the not too distant future.

Trustee Brenton stated his first resolution deals with money we receive from the county to plow Evans and Garrison.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Sugg, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Mayor execute on behalf of the Village of Williamsville a contract with the County of Erie to provide plowing and sanding of the County highways by the Village at a rate of \$650 per lane mile for the winter 1979-1980.

AUTHORIZATION

Mayor to sign Snow Contract with County of Erie to plow county roads

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Brenton stated the amount reimbursed by the county would be approximately \$2,000.

Trustee Brenton stated his second resolution deals with cleaning of the Fire Hall, Station No. 1. This is an area of Village responsibility. The individual presently cleaning it is no longer interested in doing it and the Fire Department has found someone to do it.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Sugg, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Town & Country Building Maintenance be awarded a contract to clean the Williamsville Fire Hall, Station #1, at the rate of \$195.00 per month, effective January 1, 1980.

APPOINTMENT -

Town & Country Building to clean fire hall

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Brenton stated his next resolution concerns a request by the Traffic and Safety Committee pertaining to lights on

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Brookside Drive. There are presently no lights in that area. The majority of the residents favor the lights. The cost is added to the light bill of the Village in the form of taxes. The cost would amount to a minimum of less than a dollar per thousand dollars based on all Village residents.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Murray, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Niagara Mohawk is	LIGHTING
hereby authorized to install nine	
incandescent lights on Brookside	Install lighting on Brookside
Drive, as specified in proposed	
plan, at an annual charge of \$1,670.00.	

Trustee Brenton stated the installation is included in the cost as is the cost of lighting throughout the year.

Richard Hill, 18 Brookside Drive, stated this lighting is not on the recommendation of the Traffic and Safety Committee. It was the request of a citizen that the lights be put in. Traffic and Safety just did the survey. Trustee Brenton stated it was a citizen who requested this and misunderstood the input of the Traffic and Safety Committee on this. He stated he was under the impression that it had been referred to them and they agreed that the lighting was needed. These will be the latest type of lights.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Brenton stated his next resolution deals with a correction in the minutes of the Board meeting of October 22, 1979 which deals specifically with a typographical error in the minutes which describe a geographical location on the side of a building on S. Long Street that Service Office Supply Corp. will lease to Allentown Industries. In the minutes it was stated to be on the south side and it should be the east side of the building.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Sugg, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the minutes of October 22, 1979 be amended as follows:

Report by Trustee Brenton to read:

Trustee Brenton stated his first resolution deals with the issuance to Service Office Supply Corporation of a license (primarily to be described as a license, although that is not really the appropriate term). This involves the property at 76 South Long

AMENDMENT TO MINUTES
of October 22, 1979

re: Allentown
Industries at
Service Office
Building

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Street. Allentown Industries will be renting that property. The handicapped utilizing the building will need a ramp to enter and leave the building and unfortunately they do not have enough space on the south side of the building, so the Village will allow utilization of a small portion of land (50' X 3') on the East side for the purpose of constructing a ramp.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Murray reported that the Senior Citizens Recreation Program is planning a Christmas party for all participants in the program. It will be on Tuesday, December 18th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Fire Hall upstairs. There will be a drama group presentation and a slide presentation. The drama group will also present a program at the St. Francis Home and at Williamsville View Manor. We thank Dooley's Delo for providing the dessert.

Trustee Murray reported that Bea Slick obtained 100 Viles of Life from the Amherst Senior Center. They are attached to the inside of a refrigerator and contain the person's medical records. There is a symbol placed on the outside of the refrigerator for the firemen so they know it is there.

Trustee Murray reminded residents that the senior citizens tax exemption has gone up to \$8,000 in income limitation and they should file this by December 31st.

Trustee Murray advised that the Parks and Recreation Committee is planning a Christmas party with the continuation of the annual Christmas caroling on December 21st from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM with refreshments from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The location has been changed from the Meeting House and Nature Building to the Fire Hall. Those interested in caroling should meet at the Fire Hall.

Trustee Sugg reported on the housing rehabilitation program that community development has. There is considerable confusion on this. The Board feels the community should be informed as to who is eligible for the Neighborhood Preservation Program. The 1979 funds have just been released to us. The deadline for making applications for those funds will be January 2nd. This is the cutoff date set by the county. Our target area residents are eligible. A copy of the target area map is available in the Village office. The area runs roughly along Main Street from Union to North Ellicott and down Mill Street to the Village line on the west side and thereafter gerrymanders so anyone interested can obtain a map of the target area.

Trustee Sugg stated the residents eligible for the program must have a home in the target area. It must be owner-occupied but it can be a one to four family residential structure.

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Trustee Sugg advised there are three categories of assistance based on adjusted income. For a family of four it would be \$16,000. It would be higher for a larger family. There are loan subsidy grants, outright grants and a combination grant. The maximum grant is \$3,500. The repairs and improvements covered are structural repairs (foundations, support walls, joists, roofs, chimneys, porches, steps and stairwells); modernization repairs (plumbing and fixtures, furnace, water heater, electrical work, essential appliances); general renewal (painting, siding, plastering, drywall, flooring); and energy conservation (insulation, window and door repairs, storm windows and doors).

Trustee Sugg stated she has the name of the person in the county that has to be contacted. It is very confidential. No one need know that anyone in the Village is doing it.

Trustee Sugg stated another requirement is that your taxes must be paid in full and all rehabilitation work has to be done in accordance with the work and specifications drawn up by the Erie County Division of Planning in cooperation with the local Building Inspector.

Trustee Sugg reviewed the three types of assistance. There is an outright grant which is not repaid. There is a loan subsidy grant where your income must not exceed 100% of median income. There is also a combination grant where the adjusted income must not exceed 80% of the median income. Copies of the eligibility schedule are also available in the Village office.

Trustee Sugg stated the county will contact the applicant and arrange for an interview. They are held between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM in the applicant's home or other appropriate space. If necessary, an evening or weekend appointment can be arranged. The confidentiality of the process is superb. If anyone knows of anyone who may be eligible for this program they should contact us and we will be able to put them in touch with the proper person.

Trustee Sugg stated her first resolution concerns the Village Meeting House and the work to be done there. We are ready to appoint a firm to give professional services for the Meeting House. Of the firms interviewed, six submitted proposals and were interviewed by the Board. Three criteria were considered in the selection. We wanted an architect with a preservation background, a highly recommended structural engineer, and someone having a familiarity with the building itself. There is structural work to be done and we need a second exit that is architecturally in keeping with the building, is barrier-free and complies with the fire code. The firm we have chosen has also added some minor details to be addressed and included in their proposal.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Murray, the following resolution was adopted:

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RESOLVED that the Mayor be authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Village with Foit-Albert and Associates, Architects, to provide professional services for architectural and structural rehabilitation work on the Village Meeting House. The cost, to be funded by Community Development Funds, shall not exceed \$3,700.00.

AUTHORIZATION - Mayor
to execute contract
with Foit- Albert &
Associates re:
Meeting House

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Sugg stated her second resolution relates to Glen Park's Nature Building. We had an informational hearing on regulations for Glen Park but did not address the use of the building. Mr. Troy and Trustee Sugg have been working on a rough draft of regulations for use of the Nature Building and we would like to have an informational hearing on them in January.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sugg, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that an informational hearing will be held on January 14, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing regulations designed to govern activities at the Nature Building in Glen Park.

CALL FOR INFORMATIONAL
HEARING

Regulations re:
Nature Building

Unanimously carried.

Mr. Way reported that the flood control gates have been pulled for the season and the Christmas decorations have been put up.

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

Unanimously carried.

James Saia, 20 Belmont, asked if a financial impact statement would be available at the next meeting regarding the rehabilitation work to be done at the Village Meeting House. He stated he thinks we should have this statement of what it is going to cost us for the rehabilitation. Trustee Sugg stated we originally wanted to have a master plan for the rehabilitation work but decided that it was more sensible and practical to do this a step at a time. We want to make the building habitable. The Meeting House could be used for all kinds of activities. We should be able to live with this work to make the church habitable for a considerable length of time. We will be able to occupy the building. She stated we would be able to discuss this work further at our January meeting and should have a better idea of the cost at that time.

Richard Hill, 18 Brookside, asked if the Village can insist that

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sidewalks be repaired. Mayor Kuzon stated it is the responsibility of the property owner to maintain the sidewalk and Mr. Troy advised that the Village can insist they do so. Mr. Hill stated there is a sidewalk in very bad condition in front of the Center on Main Street. Mayor Kuzon stated this will be looked into. Included in the State's plan for their work on Main Street will be putting in of some new sidewalks. We will have to find out what the specifics of their plan are. If this sidewalk is included perhaps some temporary repair work could be done. He stated we will check into this.

Trustee Brenton stated there are too many sidewalks in the Village for our employees to check on all of them. Basically it requires a complaint from a citizen that a sidewalk is in need of repair and constitutes a safety hazard. We would prefer the complaint to be in writing.

Mrs. Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, stated that on Friday night someone did quite a bit of damage to various signs in the Village and she asked if they are being taken care of. Mr. Way stated most of the signs have been put back up. Some more will be done tomorrow. There are eleven lights with broken globes. Mrs. Schlifke asked about the sign in the Village Alley that was bent in half. Mr. Way stated that particular one-way sign is not a Village sign. The maintenance man at the apartments stated he would take care of this but that as soon as he fixes it someone bends it again. Mrs. Schlifke stated that one of the handicapped parking signs and one of the no bicycles signs in Glen Park were down. Mr. Way stated these will be put back up.

Assemblyman John Sheffer stated he has sent a report to the Board detailing the State legislation for 1979 that had an impact on the Village and local governments. The intent is to try to aid you by advising you what is going on at the State level. The 1980 session starts in several weeks and if anyone has suggestions for local bills for this area, or with statewide implications of aid to local governments, he'd be delighted to meet with them and discuss them. He has met with Town officials already and they had many suggestions, some of which will help the Village. He stated he was available to discuss any suggestions with anyone and would be glad to help in any way he can.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, it was moved to return to the regular agenda.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Brenton, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins,
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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Roll Call

Present

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Rosemarie Sugg

Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk

Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney

Edward Way, Dept. of Public Works

Mayor Kuzon called the public hearing to order at 7:37 PM.

The Clerk read the notice of hearing regarding the use of Federal Community Development Funds.

PUBLIC
HEARING #2

Mayor Kuzon stated this is the second of two required public hearings regarding allocation of our 1980-1981 community development funds. The purpose tonight is to report on the input at our last public hearing and the recommendations of the Community Development Advisory Committee and the Planning Board as to how the funds should be allocated. We also want to secure any public input you may have tonight regarding the use of the funds.

1980 CD Funds

Mayor Kuzon stated the government prefers us to have a three year program for use of the funds rather than a one year program of separate projects. The restrictions placed on the funds makes it very burdensome on small municipalities like us to find uses for the money. We have considered the ideas presented at the last public hearing and at the Community Development Advisory Committee and Planning Board meetings. We have decided to continue the tone set with last year's program to benefit the handicapped and senior citizens, particularly those of low to moderate income.

Mayor Kuzon stated we propose to allocate the funds as follows: \$13,000 to the Fire Hall to renovate the kitchen to make it a disaster center for senior citizens and others in the Village; \$18,000 for curb cuts for the handicapped on Main Street for wheelchair access; \$5,000 for the Meeting House in order to rehabilitate it for use as a senior citizens community-type center as well as by other organizations in the Village; \$5,000 for housing rehabilitation for use on private homes meeting the guidelines; and \$2,000 left over from earlier allocations to be put toward improvements on Rock Street for guardrails or some other type of improvement.

Mayor Kuzon then asked the public for their comments on the proposed program and for any additional ideas they may have on projects that could benefit from the use of these funds.

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Mrs. Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, stated that even though it was brought up at the last meeting she would like to see part of the funds be set aside for the curb cuts on Main Street for wheelchairs and the handicapped. Since the State is planning on redoing Main Street in the coming year if they are not willing to put the curb cuts in it would be a good idea if we spent some of our funds to do this. She is favor of the curb cuts.

Public
Hearing
#2
(Con't)

Mayor Kuzon stated that over the next two years we allocated about \$26,000 in community development funds for the curb cuts. We will be talking with the State concerning their plans for Main Street and there is some indication that they will be putting in curb cuts on the north side of Main Street but we do not know how many will be done. If this money is not used for curb cuts it could be reallocated at a later date and we are looking for further suggestions as to how this freed up money could be used.

1980
CD Funds

Mrs. Schlifke stated that if the money is not used for curb cuts perhaps it could be used for sidewalks as suggested at the last hearing. Perhaps the sidewalks in the target area could be repaired. Mayor Kuzon advised that in talking with the community development people they tell us that sidewalks are not eligible even in the target area because they are considered maintenance and community development money is not intended to be used for maintenance purposes. The Village Code states the responsibility for sidewalks rests with the property owner.

Mrs. Schlifke asked if the funding for private home rehabilitation wasn't for maintenance type work. Mayor Kuzon stated the homes would belong to those with a low income and in a lot of cases for senior citizens and the overall goal of our program is for the benefit of handicapped and senior citizens and included in that is the rehabilitation program to make the housing safe. Mayor Kuzon stated that perhaps money for this could be found under another program because the sidewalks do present a dangerous situation.

James Saia, 20 Belmont, stated that in the City of Buffalo they used community development money for sidewalk projects over the past several years. Trustee Brenton advised that at the time they applied for community development funding for the sidewalks the restrictions were probably not as tight as they are now.

Mr. Saia stated as far as the use of community development funds for rehabilitation of the Meeting House are concerned he believes that this is a violation of the First Amendment of the Constitution. He asked if the government is aware when we apply for funds that there is a deed restriction. The restriction states that at the sole expense of the Village they will set aside useable space for the purpose of nonsectarian religious worship and meditation and related activities. He asked if a religious group wanted to sell flowers in the Village and use the Meeting House for meditation they could do so.

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Mr. Troy advised they could use the space if they pay for using it. You can't discriminate against them and you can't favor another group. If they meet the standards for using the building and pay the fee required they should not be excluded.

Mr. Saia asked if the group that used the building on Sunday mornings a few months back had paid for it. Trustee Sugg advised that it was a church group that was using it. The former church board had approved them using it before the deed passed to the Village. The use continued for some additional weeks after we took it over as we did not immediately realize it was being used. It was stopped when we found out. She stated that the Village Meeting House Committee has addressed the question of uses of the building including a lease arrangement for a Sunday morning church and the committee is looking into this.

Public
Hearing
#2
(Con't)

Mr. Saia stated the deed restriction states it should be set up at the sole expense of the Village and does not know if with this statement anyone should have to pay to use the space. Mr. Troy stated this has nothing to do with charging a fee for use of the building. What we set up can be just for purposes of meditation. The original wording was changed from religious worship and meditation to religious worship or meditation. Meditation is not forbidden. We could just set up four walls for meditation and have complied with the deed and are not in violation of the First Amendment.

1980
CD Funds

Mr. Saia stated he understood that some of the Meeting House Committee members were not aware of the deed restriction. He stated this matter has concerned him enough that he is sending letters to the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the American Civil Liberties Union along with a copy of the deed to find out about this.

Mr. Troy stated the only way to find out is to strictly interpret the clause to mean and instead of or. We could only be in violation if we built a religious sanctuary within the confines of the building where religious services take place.

Mayor Kuzon stated the question for the hearing is allocation of the funds and discussion of the Meeting House question should be brought up during the regular meeting during suspension of rules.

Mayor Kuzon stated our application has to be filed with the county by January 4th and we will be beginning the application process in the Village within the next couple of days. If anyone thinks of anything else that should be considered they can call any Board member or the Clerk's Office and if it is a worthwhile project we will consider it.

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ON MOTION by Trustee Atkinson, seconded by Trustee Sugg, the hearing was closed at 7:57 PM.

Unanimously carried.



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Roll Call

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Paul Atkinson
Lawrence R. Brenton Trustees
Connie C. Murray
Rosemarie Sugg

Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney
Edward Way, Dept. of Public Works

Mayor Kuzon called the public hearing to order at 7:58 PM.

The Clerk read the notice of hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 1.14(2) of the Sign Code to include C-3 and R-4 Districts, which districts are not now controlled by the existing ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Kuzon stated the purpose of the hearing is to consider a local law to include in our sign ordinance zoning districts C-3 and R-4. At present they have been omitted and the purpose is to keep it consistent with the other part of the sign code. The Planning Board has architectural review of all new signs in C-1, C-2, C-3, R-4 and M-1 Districts. Section 1.14(2) speaks to signs in C-1, C-2, and M-1 Districts. Obviously this is an inconsistency in our code and there have been some instances in the C-3 District which have pointed out the deficiency in the code.

Amend Sign Code 1.14(2)

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

Mayor Kuzon stated this proposed amendment of the code comes on the recommendation of the Planning Board and with some advice from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, the hearing was closed at 8:00 PM.

Unanimously carried.



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Mayor Kuzon called the hearing to order at 8:00 PM.

The Clerk read the notice of public hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 70.404 of the Zoning Code concerning open off-street parking.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Kuzon stated that over the years there has been substantial dispute over the present code. The code presently states that in a C or M District open off-street parking is not permitted within ten feet of a street line or 10 feet of a lot in any R District. This has been referred to as the 10 foot buffer zone. Through the years there have been practical and legal difficulties with the code. The ordinance is unclear and ambiguous and limits full usage of parking areas. The court has had problems with this also.

Amend Section 70-404 of Zoning Code

Mayor Kuzon stated the new proposal has three parts. Parking would not be allowed closer than five feet from the public right-of-way and the land within the area of prohibited parking shall be delineated at its inner line or edge by curbing and said area shall be landscaped or planted with appropriate ground cover. Also, parking shall be allowed not closer than 18 inches from the right-of-way if the owner installs a guard rail or other type barrier approved by the Planning Board, and the rail or barrier shall be not less than 18 inches or more than 24 inches in height. Additionally, parking shall be allowed to the interior edge of any continuous wall or unpierced masonry, stone, concrete or other properly faced building material acceptable to the Planning Board but the exterior edge of the wall will be erected not closer than 1 foot from the right-of-way and the height shall be such as to conform to the existing codes. This will allow maximum utilization of the parking area by allowing the owner a choice of three methods of enclosing the parking area. Before there was only the 10 foot buffer zone and now they will have three choices and it will still maintain a safety area between the parking and the sidewalk and resolve the ambiguous situation in the code.

James Saia, 20 Belmont, stated he has gone through problems with the 10 foot buffer zone and thinks it is about time something was changed in the ordinance. He is in favor of the change.

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Trustee Murray stated she has some objections to the second part of the proposal that guard rails be allowed. She stated she has problems with the aesthetics of guard rails and hopes we can improve on this before we vote on this. She feels we should specifically state what kind of guard rails would be allowed. The proposal would give a person a choice of things to do and this choice might be less expensive, but she thinks something else might be better.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Brenton, the hearing was closed at 8:04 PM.

Unanimously carried.



Theresa L. Cummins,
Village Clerk-Treasurer

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Roll Call

Present

Gordon J. Kuzon, Mayor

Paul Atkinson

Lawrence R. Brenton Trustees

Connie C. Murray

Rosemarie Sugg

Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk

Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney

Edward Way, Dept. of Public Works

Mayor Kuzon called the hearing to order at 8:04 PM.

The Clerk read the notice of public hearing regarding a local law which would amend Section 60.32 of the Traffic Code by removing parking on the south side of Chalmers Street between Evans and North Ellicott.

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Mayor Kuzon then turned the hearing over to Trustee Brenton who stated this local law comes about at the request of some of the residents in this area who said there was excessive parking on the south side of the street. The Traffic and Safety Committee checked this out and found that a large majority of the people were in favor of banning parking on the south side.

Amend
Section
60.32
of
Traffic
Code

Richard Hill, 18 Brookside Drive, Chairman of the Traffic and Safety Committee, stated one of the reasons this was recommended by the committee was that fire and ambulance equipment cannot get down the street with the parking as it is and this creates a safety hazard.

No parking
south side
of Chalmers

Mrs. Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, Secretary of the Traffic and Safety Committee stated she took the survey of residents. The majority are in favor of the parking ban. She asked if the Board would be able to vote on this tonight. She knows they usually don't vote the same night as the public hearing but if they could vote tonight the signs could be put in before the ground is frozen and not have to wait until spring for the signs. The parking will also make it easier for the plows to get down the street.

Mayor Kuzon stated there is parking on the north side of the street at present. Mrs. Schlifke stated the parking ban would be for only the one block. The other two blocks don't seem to have a problem. Most of the houses on the other two blocks face on the side streets - N. Ellicott and Arend - and have driveways on Chalmers but park on the side streets. Three of the houses in the block under consideration are doubles and this is what seems to be causing the problem.

Mr. Way advised they can put the signs in at any time we get

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the go ahead.

Mrs. Schlifke stated she would still like to see the matter voted on tonight.

ON MOTION by Trustee Brenton, seconded by Trustee Atkinson, the hearing was closed at 8:10 PM.

Unanimously carried.



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