

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, June 14, 1982 at 7:33 PM

Roll Call

Present

Gordon J. Kuzon, Mayor

Lawrence R. Brenton

Michael Kibby Trustees

Connie C. Murray

V. James Saia

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.

Mayor Kuzon: We'll begin our meeting with a moment of silence in memory of Nancy Zimmerman who is our Chief of Police's daughter, who died rather suddenly and tragically yesterday.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kibby, seconded by Trustee Murray, the minutes of the regular meeting held May 24, 1982 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon: I have a number of things I'd like to bring to your attention. At our last meeting I indicated that I had been receiving postcards either supporting or not supporting Old Home Days and to date the cards that I have received total 36. All of them are in support of the continuation of Old Home Days, and as I reported at the last meeting from what I can determine from the addresses 12 of them are Village residents. In addition to the cards I have received two letters in regards to Old Home Days. One is from Jim Tamaro, Administrative Vice President of the Amherst Jaycees who support the concept of Old Home Days, and the second letter is from Dick Gallagher, President of the Joe McCarthy Little League who speaks for the Board of Directors of the Little League, and they also favor the continuation of the event.

Some other items to bring to your attention. I have received notification from the Town that the Town has received notification of the award of their community development block grant funds which total \$783,000. The Village is part of this award and our portion is \$54,810 and the Town will notify us as soon as HUD indicates the money can be withdrawn.

I have a resolution this evening and that is for vouchers.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Brenton, vouchers in the sum of \$121,757.41 were approved as follows:

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Payroll Fund	W/E 5/26/82	\$ 8,155.58
	W/E 6/02/82	4,862.59
	W/E 6/09/82	5,161.52
General Fund	Abstract #514	34,433.75
Sewer & Water Fund	Abstract #95	51,908.98
Trust & Agency Fund	Abstract #134	5,171.89
Glen Park Joint Activities	Abstract #34	5,444.10
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	Abstract #131	2,262.88
SSES C36-1244-01	Abstract #11	<u>4,356.12</u>
Total Vouchers		\$121,757.41

The larger of these vouchers are to Erie County Water Authority, our supplier of water; Niagara Mohawk, our utility; and Cataract Disposal, for collection of our trash.

Unanimously carried.

Next is Trustee Brenton.

Trustee Brenton: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. For my report tonight I would report that the sanitary sewer rehab project is completed on Los Robles and now will move to Brookside Drive starting at Cadman. Los Robles still has to be paved with the binder paving material and later in the season we will finish paving it.

Our leak detection program with the assistance of Don Dehn, our water man, is still proceeding quite well and we found a fault, without further elaboration, very recently which would appear to prevent further unaccounted for water loss to a large degree. We'll be checking that hopefully, and I suppose I should elaborate on that, we'll be checking closely the loss that we believe we found which was to the water entering the Village system being recorded on a meter and then due to pressure variations back-flowing back into the Erie County Water supplies without entering our meter naturally because meters don't go in reverse so we can't meter water that left our system and returned to the Erie County Water supply. However, he has corrected this particular situation at the Union Road pit and feels we were losing significant water there.

I'll move directly to my resolutions and you will notice that, if you have an agenda tonight, I have two resolutions for hiring seasonal employees for the Department of Public Works. Resolution No. 2 will not be filled at this evening's session so that we will deal with No. 1."

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

RESOLVED that Eric Wasmund be hired as a Seasonal Laborer for the Village Department of Public Works from June 17, 1982 until September 3, 1982 at a rate of \$3.45 per hour.

APPOINTMENT
Seasonal Laborer
in DPW

Unanimously carried.

My next resolution deals with the previously discussed new truck that the Department of Public Works will be utilizing and which incidentally, will allow for retirement of two trucks, one of which through acceptance of this low bid, one of those to be retired will be traded in and the other one the Village will attempt to sell itself. The reason is that the allowance for the second truck was only \$850 and we felt that the truck was worth more than that so that we will retain it and try to sell it for greater than the \$850 which would have been allowed in the trade-in. The truck is designed to the, specified rather through the efforts of Mr. Way and Mr. Laubisch of the Department of Public Works and is similar to the vehicles we presently have in our fleet and we are hopeful that this will serve the Village needs specifically.

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

WHEREAS the Village of Williamsville has advertised for sealed bids for one 1982 Heavy Duty Single Axle Truck for the Department of Public Works, and

CONTRACT AWARDED

WHEREAS Buffalo Truck Sales of Buffalo, New York submitted their low bid meeting specifications,

Single Axle Truck
for D.P.W.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Buffalo Truck Sales be awarded the contract for the single axle truck at their low bid of \$64,513.00 and trade in of #905 of \$850.00 for a net bid of \$63,663.00.

Unanimously carried.

That's all I have. Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Kuzon: Thank you. Trustee Kibby.

Trustee Kibby: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I have no report tonight but I do have one resolution and that is for a change in the ordinance 1.17, the window sign ordinance. Essentially what we're asking here is for location, the anticipated change in the ordinance, and the change anticipated is a section that will

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say that you measure a percentage of space that is allowed for temporary or paper signs in the window and that the only space that can be used in that calculation is the space located on the same floor as the window sign and shall exclude the window space on the second floor or in the door frame.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kibby, seconded by Trustee Saia, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk publish notice of public hearing to be held June 28, 1982 at 7:35 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 5583 Main Street, Williamsville, New York for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing a proposed local law which would amend Section 1.17 of the Sign Code of the Village of Williamsville.

CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Local LAW to Amend Section 1.17 of Sign Code

20% window space

Unanimously carried.

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I have nothing else.

Mayor Kuzon: Thank you. Trustee Murray.

Trustee Murray: Thank you. I have several comments tonight. At our reorganization in April the Mayor created a new liaison responsibility called the School District and gave it to me and I feel I should comment on the School Board elections for this year and those of previous years. People in this end of our district, the southeast area, have failed to elect a candidate to the School Board in the last two years. I feel that if the people in this area who sent children to Academy, or send them to Forest, Mill or South don't stand together and work together to elect a candidate to the School Board and to watch what is happening this end of the district is going to suffer and the education of our children is going to suffer. I would ask that you keep your eye on what's happening with the School District with the idea that if we want we may be able to do something about it, hopefully looking toward electing school district candidates from our area next year.

I'd also like to thank the Beautification Committee. They did a good job in planting geraniums at Garrison Park and the Island at Main and Evans. Both were ready for the Memorial Day Parade and I appreciate the ladies who did that work.

Also, after the Memorial Day Parade, we had a volunteer appreciation picnic. If you remember it was pouring rain that day but we had 31 hardy souls show up. Next year we hope the weather's better.

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The Senior Citizens Committee is starting a new program called the Nice Neighbors Program. It is based on the Block Parent Program that has been in the schools for a number of years and the object of the program is to provide emergency stops for senior walkers or drivers on Village streets, to call on the senior or handicapped person in foul weather, to receive emergency phone calls from seniors or handicapped persons in need, and to visit or call a senior or handicapped neighbor periodically throughout the year. If you're interested in becoming a Nice Neighbor on your street will you please call the Village Office and leave your name and since there's so few of you here tonight, will you please let your neighbors know about the Nice Neighbors Program.

Last week the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Traffic and Safety Committee had a joint meeting and I think it was very interesting and very successful. They came up with a recommendation for the Board of Trustees that I hope we will be discussing after the meeting tonight. I'm hoping that we can have more joint meetings between our advisory committees.

I have one resolution tonight. As you know, our Senior Citizen Coordinator for the past 3½ years, Bea Slick, has resigned and we have found a new one and we're looking forward to working with her.

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

RESOLVED that Mary Jane Haight-Eckert be appointed Senior Citizen Program Coordinator effective June 14, 1982 at a salary of \$200.00 per month or \$2,000.00 per year.

APPOINTMENT
Senior Citizen
Coordinator

Unanimously carried.

That concludes my report.

Mayor Kuzon: Thank you. Trustee Saia.

Trustee Saia: I don't have any report but I'd like to make a comment on the cards that you've gotten, Mayor. I saw those cards and we shouldn't even consider those cards in light of the way they're printed. There's no choice and I've talked to a lot of people since the last meeting and I don't know of anybody that does not want Old Home Days. Even the committees that we have do not specify that they want to do away with Old Home Days so I think the cards reflect the writer's wishes that Old Home Day either be done away with or remain and that's not the case.

Mayor Kuzon: I'm just reporting receiving the cards. I'm not making any value judgement.

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do something about it before we get into a lawsuit where we got \$3 Million or \$4 Million hanging over our heads. The traffic for one thing on the street. You couldn't get a fire truck or an ambulance around any of the streets the way they park around here. There's no attempt on this Board to do anything publicly, maybe they're doing it privately, I don't know, to protect themselves and that's all the Traffic and Safety Board is trying to do - is to make the thing safer. You play these cards up and it sounds like we're a bunch of so and sos.

Mayor Kuzon: No, that's not the reason I mentioned them. The old saying goes - I just report the news, I don't make it - and that's exactly what I'm doing with the cards. I didn't solicit these cards, you know. If people have taken the time to send them to me they're honestly doing it for a reason so my simple purpose is to just report how many I have received.

Mr. Hill: If I walk up and down Main Street here and ask 2,000 people whether they want Old Home Week or not, I'd get 2,000, maybe 1,999 saying yes. But if you walk up and down Main Street and say you want a safe Old Home Week I think you'd get more people saying yes to that.

OLD HOME DAY
DISCUSSION

Mayor Kuzon: I think everybody up here agrees that that's the issue. It's not doing away with Old Home Days, but making it an event not only that is safe but one where everyone can feel safe being there and I think there is unanimity on this Board about that.

Mr. Hill: They've been talking to the Board for the last four years about what to do. You know we've got to do something in case something happens.

Trustee Saia: Things are happening, Dick.

Mr. Hill: Well I hope so because there could be a heck of a mess here someday. You've got a fire started down in the Glenside Apartments and fire trucks can't get in there and you'll get some lawsuits. All we're saying is let's make it a safe Old Home Week.

Trustee Kibby: These cards have effectively killed the red herring.

Mr. Hill: Well I don't think they should have been mentioned. They were sent out by the committee and it just gives them publicity.

Mayor Kuzon: Anyone else? Mrs. Andrews.

Mrs. Rita Andrews, 128 S. Union Road: Am I right? The Village has passed the budget for '83.

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Trustee Saia: But I would make this comment seeing that it was made. The committees are working. We had a joint meeting with Parks and Recreation and the Traffic and Safety in order to resolve some of the safety aspects of Old Home Days. We are working to do that. With that that's the end of my report. You'll get a bigger report, a more lengthy report on the parks and especially Old Home Days at the meeting of the 28th.

I have a resolution for this evening.

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

RESOLVED that Michael Oswald be hired
as Seasonal Pool Cleaner for the Department
of Public Works effective June 15, 1982
at the rate of \$3.25 per hour.

APPOINTMENT

Michael Oswald as
pool cleaner

Unanimously carried.

The pools will open June 20th, Mr. Mayor. Thank you.

Mayor Kuzon: Thank you. Mr. Way from the Department of Public Works.

Mr. Way: I was just going to say that the pools will open at that time, but Trustee Saia has taken care of it.

Mayor Kuzon: Thank you.

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

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon: At this time anyone in the audience may address the Village Board. We ask that you state your name and address.
Mr. Hill.

Richard Hill, Traffic and Safety Committee: I'm like Jim on these cards. It seems the cards of the Old Home Day Committee try to imply that our Board and some of the other Boards want to do away with it. Just let me call your attention to two things that have happened in the last couple of years. Last year Main and Transit had an accident out there. I talked to the fireman and they said luckily it was up near Main Street, they could get there and get the people out of there. I guess that's still in court now. Out in Hamburg they had an accident and they're being sued for \$3.5 Million. Now that's all the Traffic and Safety Committee is trying to get this Village Board to do, to protect themselves in some way to make it a safer and more sane Old Home Days, not do away with it. But let's get on the ball and

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Mayor Kuzon: For this next year which began June 1st, right.

Mrs. Andrews: Is there any reason why you have not signed the contract for the Amherst Youth Board?

Mayor Kuzon: That's on our agenda to discuss this evening after this meeting.

Mrs. Andrews: Now can I ask the liaison, Mr. Saia...

Trustee Saia: I beg your pardon. Who's your liaison?

Mrs. Andrews: You are.

Trustee Saia: I have refused to be the liaison. I'm sorry. I'm not your liaison to the Youth Board. Now you know they put on me right now - I've got three very active boards and I can't take and do a fourth and do a good job on it. I have brought this out. I've got phone calls on it already that I'm the liaison. I am not the liaison.

Mrs. Andrews: They keep asking me who it is and say they are told you were.

Trustee Saia: Ask your question to the Mayor.

Trustee Kibby: We'll discuss that later.

Mayor Kuzon: That is part of our discussion later.

Mrs. Andrews: Well, the reason I'm asking is I've been coming to these meetings since 1974. I've been on the Youth Board for six years and I'm beginning to feel like an old fool when they ask me where the liaison from the Village is because up until this time the liaison was always at at least one or two of the meetings. Now this has been going on since March. There's three meetings that we've had and they've had no one when they call. They look at me as if to say - and I have no answer. I'd like to get it ironed out.

Mayor Kuzon: Okay. When are the meetings?

Mrs. Andrews: They are the first Wednesday of every month.

Mayor Kuzon: Anyone else? If not...

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

Unanimously carried.

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Mayor Kuzon: If there's no further business...

ON MOTION by Trustee Murray, seconded by Trustee Saia, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins,
Village Clerk-Treasurer