

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, February 24, 1986 at 7:35 PM

Roll Call

Present

Gordon J. Kuzon, Mayor

Lawrence R. Brenton  
Michael Kibby Trustees  
Carolyn Schlifke

Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk  
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney  
David Laubisch, Dept. of Public Works

Absent

Richard Gallagher, Trustee

Mayor Kuzon called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM after the Town Board had adjourned following the invocation, pledge of allegiance and their roll call.

Mayor Kuzon said this was our annual joint meeting with the Town Board. We have been holding an annual joint meeting for a number of years now. It is an excellent opportunity for both Village and town residents to see their Boards working together and to see how they work. He thinks it shows more than just our operation at a public meeting. He thinks it shows the cooperation that exists between the Town and the Village, and which has existed for a number of years and it serves all our residents better.

Mayor Kuzon then offered a Proclamation proclaiming July 15 to 18, 1986 in the Town and Village as Old Home Days 1986 and in addition in the Proclamation it designates George Measer and Jean Gaulin to be the Chairmen.

Mayor Kuzon advised that Trustee Gallagher was not present because he had to be in Albany on business. Those who follow the Village know that Trustee Gallagher has resigned effective March 15th and he will be at one more meeting before his resignation is effective.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Brenton, the minutes of the regular meeting held February 10, 1986 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Brenton, the minutes of the public hearings held February 10, 1986 regarding (1) proposed use of 1986-87 Community Development Funds, (2) the recessed hearing regarding the Wellington Court Exceptional Development Permit, and (3) designating the Village Meeting House as a local historic landmark were approved.

Unanimously carried.

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Mayor Kuzon reported that he had returned this evening from Albany where he had attended the Mayors Conference and Legislative Conference that was held by the City and Village Mayors. He reported that repeal of the Wicks Law had been discussed. This law requires municipalities in construction contracts in excess of \$50,000 to solicit three separate bids for the electrical, plumbing and heating and ventilation work. This is high on the legislative priority list for repeal. Private industry and business is not required to solicit three bids. They are allowed to award a bid to one general contractor and they can sub out the work. The feeling of the Mayors is that this law hinders our efficiency in awarding contracts and does not allow the oversight that we would have with one general contractor. The Conference of Mayors is promoting repeal of this law.

Mayor Kuzon also reported that they also discussed local court fines, including parking tickets, which are the revenues of local governments and the fact that they first have to be sent to Albany before they can be put in the local treasury, for no specific reason other than it's a State law. They also discussed increasing the fees to the local courts that the State now pays. These items are both high on the agenda for the Conference of Mayors legislative program, to do away with these programs that serve no real purpose.

Mayor Kuzon said another item discussed was the O & M reimbursement for sewage treatment. They are disturbed over no funding for that reimbursement.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Schlifke, vouchers in the amount of \$108,730.16 were approved as follows:

Payroll Fund	W/E 2/14/86	\$ 6,547.90
	W/E 2/21/86	<u>6,719.12</u>
Total Payroll Fund		\$ 13,267.02
General Fund	Abstract #602	22,319.14
Sewer & Water Fund	Abstract #183	4,855.66
Trust & Agency Fund	Abstract #220	3,005.23
Capital Fund	Abstract #151	57,156.00
Glen Park Jt. Activities	Abstract #122	261.81
Federal Revenue sharing	Abstract #181	<u>1,701.80</u>
Total Vouchers		\$108,730.16

The larger vouchers were to Buffalo Truck Sales for purchase of a new dump truck and Higgins Kieffer for work on the Meeting House.

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

RESOLVED that Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to attend the New York State Government Finance Officers Association Conference in Albany, New York, March 19-21, 1986 and the cost, not to exceed \$350.00 to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

AUTHORIZATION  
Clerk to attend  
GFOA meeting  
in Albany

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon said that his third resolution deals with some work that we want to begin over at the courthouse, which will be the new Village Offices and Fire Hall in the near future. Trustee Brenton will report on the bids and timetable for opening the bids but before those bids are awarded we want to have the jail cells removed so the contractor can get that work done before the other contract is awarded.

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

RESOLVED that Gypsum Systems Interiors, Ltd., West Seneca, New York are hereby authorized to remove jail cells and concrete floor at 5565 Main Street at a cost of \$6,660.00 per their proposal of January 27, 1986.

CONTRACT AWARDED  
Remove jail cells

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon said this fourth resolution is being made for Trustee Gallagher in his absence.

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

RESOLVED that the Village Clerk publish notice of public hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees on March 10, 1986 at 7:35 p.m. for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing proposed changes to the Park Regulations.

PUBLISH NOTICE  
OF PUBLIC  
REVISE PARK  
REGULATIONS

Unanimously carried.

Mayor then presented the following Proclamation pertaining to the PTA Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week. The PTA is promoting this concept throughout the schools and they have requested him to offer this proclamation and he is pleased to do so.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS March 2nd through 8th thousands of PTA members across New York State and the nation will be participating in the second annual National PTA Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week; and

PROCLAMATION

Drug Awareness Week

WHEREAS, the theme chosen for this nationwide PTA effort is PREVENTION: A POSITIVE APPROACH; and

WHEREAS drug and alcohol abuse is a threat to the health, education and well being of all children; and

WHEREAS the goal of this PTA Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week is to raise parents' awareness of the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse among children and teens; and

WHEREAS PTA's will be holding parent drug education meetings, prevention projects for students and encouraging communication between parents and children on the important topic of drug and alcohol prevention; and

WHEREAS by participating in PTA Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week parents, students and the community will learn ways to help in the fight against one of this country's most devastating problems; drug and alcohol abuse by American's youth;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees shares in the concern and need to prevent youthful substance abuse before it happens and lends its full support to the effort being undertaken by PTA units, councils and districts,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the week of March 2nd through 8th, 1986 be set aside in the Village of Williamsville as "PTA DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK".

Mayor Kuzon said another item discussed in Albany was municipal insurance and in an effort to address that issue and have it satisfactorily resolved by the counties, cities, towns and villages and school districts those units have formed a coalition in Albany to present a unified front to the Assembly and Senate. It's been quite effective. It has made an impact on the State Legislature. He then offered a resolution which supports this idea on issues which have common interests through the different levels of local government.

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

WHEREAS THE Association of Towns of the State of New York, the New York State Association of Counties, and the New York State Conference of Mayors and Other Municipal Officials together represent all levels of general purpose local government in New York State, comprising over 1,600 localities; and

BACKING  
MUNICIPAL  
COALITION

WHEREAS the municipal members and the leadership of these three associations have come together in the coalition known as the New York State Municipal Coalition; and

WHEREAS all the members of the New York State Municipal Coalition have agreed to act together with a true spirit of statesmanship and compromise to advocate policies and programs that are in the interest of all communities in New York State; and

WHEREAS in its first year of operation, the New York State Municipal Coalition has already displayed the value of municipal unity in its actions with respect to revenue sharing enhancement on a needs-based aid; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Coalition has recently played a major role in advocating the need for municipal insurance and tort liability reforms, and other major program issues; and

WHEREAS by the continuing commitment of its members and by their resolution to maintain unity, the New York State Municipal Coalition has demonstrated that it is a formidable advocate of local interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville reaffirms its commitment not only to the New York State Conference of Mayors but also to the Municipal Council and the Council of Mayors in the Municipal Council.

Section 2. That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville commends the leadership and staff of the Association of Towns and the Association of Counties for their commitment of resources, their expertise and personal energy that has made the New York State Municipal Council possible and that will ensure its continued success.

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Section 3. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Executive Secretary and President of the Association of Towns of the State of New York and the Executive Director and President of the New York State Association of Counties.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kibby reported on the Planning Board agenda for their meeting of March 3rd at 7:30 p.m. There are going to be two applications for sign permits, one at the Village Glen Tennis & Fitness Club and one for The Argen Shop. For site plan review and architectural review there will be four permits. There is one for Mobil Oil for new gas islands, a garage in a commercial area, preliminary plans for a new building behind St. Peter & Paul School and an architect will be coming in to discuss some plans for a building. We also are expecting plans for a satellite dish in the Village.

Trustee Schlifke commended the Village Youth Board for the excellent Winterfest that was held in Glen Park on February 16th. This function had been postponed from an earlier date due to there not being enough snow. This time the weather cooperated. It is unfortunate that more people in the Village and town did not take advantage of this excellent Winterfest. The Youth Board is to be commended for their efforts. There are many concerned people on that Board who do an excellent job.

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

RESOLVED that the Village Meeting House and Museum, 5658 Main Street, is hereby designated a historic landmark, effective immediately.

DESIGNATE  
MEETING HOUSE  
AS HISTORICAL  
LANDMARK

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Schlifke said her second resolution is an early first step towards a long awaited project to help beautify the Spring Street area between Rock Street and Main Street, to designate the area between the parking lots that are back there and the actual roadway.

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

RESOLVED that Design Systems Collaborative, 5757 Main Street, Williamsville, New York are hereby appointed to perform survey work on Spring Street from Main Street to Rock Street at a sum not to exceed \$800.00 per their proposal of February 17, 1986.

APPOINTMENT  
DESIGN  
SYSTEMS  
COLLABORATIVE  
Survey Spring  
Street

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Trustee Brenton advised that we will be opening the bids for the Fire Hall and Village Offices renovation work on March 14th at 10:00 a.m. He imagines there will be a sigh of relief from the Town Board on this. We share these present facilities with the town and are in the process of leaving our portion of it, having acquired the courthouse from the Town. We hope the Town will bear with us on this.

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

Unanimously carried.

No one appeared to speak.

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

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Kuzon advised the Village Board would be going to their conference room following adjournment to continue with items on their working agenda.

ON MOTION by Mayor Kuzon, seconded by Trustee Schlifke, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins,  
Village Clerk-Treasurer