

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville held in the Williamsville Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York on Monday, November 26, 1990 at 7:47 P.M.

Present: Lawrence R. Brenton, Mayor  
Robert V. Bindert Trustees  
Ronald Daniels  
Yvonne Kaye  
Richard P. Sweeney  
Thomas V. Troy, Village Attorney  
Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk/Treasurer  
David Laubisch, Supt. of Public Works

Mayor Brenton called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:47 P.M.

Mayor Brenton asked that everyone spend a respectful moment of silence for the late Harold D. Farber, who was a long time Village resident and contributed greatly to this community. Mr. Farber was a personal friend of Mayor Brenton and supportive of both himself and his son in the recent past. He was always a good citizen. Mayor Brenton asked that everyone bow their head.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brenton, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held October 22, 1990 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Brenton reported that due to the dwindling state of the economy, not only in Western New York, but in other areas of the nation as well, we are experiencing more and more of population who have no place to go, to sleep, and in particular, no food which to eat. There are many organizations which allow for voluntary efforts regarding this situation. Mayor Brenton thinks it is appropriate for the Village of Williamsville to engage in something of this nature. Mayor Brenton stated that his favorite charity is City Mission which is located in the city of Buffalo. It's a very worthwhile charity. He has been to the Mission many times himself. He is asking that residents of the Village donate a few cans of canned goods or dry pasta in support of these people that have no food and in some instances no place to heat it. The Village would act as a repository, then whatever was collected would be transported to City Mission in advance of Christmas. Mayor Brenton pointed out that Christmas time is a season for giving so he would like to see many concerned citizens bring some food for this worthwhile charity to the Village Hall. He has already asked the Board for their assistance.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brenton, seconded by Trustee Bindert, vouchers in the amount of \$169,772.16 covering 10/20/90-11/12/90 were approved:

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payroll fund w/e 10/20/90	\$	21,653.27
w/e 11/3/90		23,253.66
General fund		50,108.91
Water fund		38,154.05
Sewer fund		267.15
Trust & Agency fund		12,211.42
Glen Park Joint Activities fund		11,467.06
Capital fund		-0-
*Grand Total*	\$	169,772.16

Large Vouchers:

Norstar Bank NA	\$37,540.50
Occidental Waste to Energy	\$10,538.65

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brenton, seconded by Trustee Bindert, vouchers in the amount of \$95,619.78 covering 11/13/90-11/23/90 were approved:

payroll fund w/e 11/17/90	\$	22,651.23
General fund		34,236.90
Water fund		27,082.42
Sewer fund		53.00
Trust & Agency fund		7,311.04
Glen Park Joint Activities fund		547.26
Capital fund		3,737.93
Community Development fund		-0-
*Grand Total*	\$	95,619.78

Large Vouchers:

Erie County Water	\$25,880.44
NYS Retirement	\$10,200.00
Town of Amherst	\$ 8,181.80

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Brenton stated his next resolution deals with an increase of our fees. One is for tax certificates when property is transferred and the other is for our water department. When water bills are not paid, they are put in the tax roll at the end of the year.

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

RESOLVED THAT the fee for Village tax certificates is hereby increased from \$5.00 to \$7.25, effective immediately, and,

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FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a fee of \$20.00 is hereby instituted for all water accounts receivable and public works accounts receivable which remain unpaid as of March 31st of each year and have to be placed on the tax roll for collection.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Sweeney reported that for some time now he has been working with the Code Review Committee on a revised Village code. We have received an initial supply of rewritten, recodified laws of the Village of Williamsville from the General Publishing firm. We will be meeting with them this coming Friday to review some details. Shortly thereafter, we will begin distribution of the recodified chapters to the Trustees and to committee chairmen. We will then be proceeding in the near future to formally adopt that renumbered code.

Trustee Sweeney stated his first resolution deals with an appointment of a new member to the Historic Preservation Commission.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT Patricia Riedel, 5810 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, is hereby appointed to the Historic Preservation Commission through the end of the 1991-1992 official Village year.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Sweeney stated his second and third resolution involves the continuing process of updating the Village code.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT the Village Clerk publish notice of public hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees on December 10, 1990, at 7:30 P.M., in the Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, for the purpose of discussing repeal of existing Village Code Chapter 40 entitled "Sanitary Code" and enactment of a new Chapter 40, entitled "Sewer Use".

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Kaye, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

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RESOLVED THAT the Village Clerk publish notice of public hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees on December 10, 1990 at 7:40 P.M., in the Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing the proposed changes to the Village Code, Chapter 41, entitled "Sanitary Sewer Rents".

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Sweeney stated his fourth resolution concerns the updating of the fees charged by the Building Department for building permits. The schedule proposed sets one fee for residential buildings, a second fee structure for nonresidential buildings and provides a third category of fees for building permits required in the building code which are not otherwise specified. The new proposal provides for a sliding scale; that is, the cost of the building permit will now reflect the size of the building or area that will be constructed.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Bindert, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Village Code, Section 7.17, the following schedule of fees for building permits is hereby adopted:

A. Residential Buildings and/or Additions  
Up to 1,000 sq. ft. of floor area.....\$50.00  
Over 1,000 sq. ft. of floor area - .06 for each sq. ft. of new floor area.  
Garage, attached or detached.....\$25.00

B. Non-residential Buildings (including additions and accessory structures)  
Up to 1,000 sq. ft. of floor area.....\$70.00  
Over 1,000 sq. ft. of floor area - .08 for each sq. ft. of new floor area.  
New Off-street parking facility.....\$5.00/parking space

C. Not otherwise specified.....\$25.00

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Bindert, it was moved to suspend the rules for a resolution not on the agenda.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Sweeney stated his fifth resolution is a response to an announcement in the newspaper that Commissioner Richard Tobe of

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the Erie County Department of Environment and Planning has recommended and County Executive Gorski is seriously considering removing funding for the Erie Niagara Regional Planning Board. It's a group that he has been associated with as a liaison to a number of committees over the years and feels it has done excellent work. It has some very dedicated and knowledgeable members. He would like to see that planning board definitely continue. The thrust of the resolution is simply to sight some of the benefits of the Erie Niagara Regional Planning Board and ask for a continuation of funding in next year's Erie County budget.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

WHEREAS the Erie-Niagara Counties Regional Planning Board is in danger of losing all funding from the County of Erie in the 1991 Erie County Budget, as submitted by County Executive Dennis Gorski, and

WHEREAS the ENCRPB provides many valuable services to the County of Erie, and its municipalities, including the Village of Williamsville, such as watershed planning, featuring a shared geographic information system, specifically the Ellicott Creek Improvement Project, transportation (the CASP-FTA project), help to the Village in the 1990 Census, non-point source pollution prevention of the groundwaters within the region, and in conjunction with the DEC, efforts to create an Economic Development District for this region, which brings in additional grant monies, enabling further regional investigations of water districts, and transportation,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville supports a continuation of and restoration to full funding by the County of Erie, for it's share of the non-partisan Erie Niagara Regional Planning Board.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Sweeney, seconded by Trustee Kaye, it was moved to return to the regular agenda.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Bindert, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT Mayor Lawrence R. Brenton is hereby authorized to sign contract between the Village of Williamsville and the Town of Amherst for the 1991 operation of the Williamsville Youth Center in the amount of \$6,804.00.

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Unanimously carried.

Trustee Daniels reported that the trees that were obtained from Schictles have been planted. It was alot more work that we thought it would be. The trees probably weighed 100 lbs. and up. He thanked Jonathan Guillome for his efforts in coordinating the project.

Trustee Daniels stated the Performing Arts Committee Council had a program for children Friday right after Thanksgiving. They sold out the first performance and booked a second one. The show was an educational and entertaining event for the children of the community. He thanked everyone who worked especially hard on the performance. The next production is an adult performance with Mary Kate O'Connell on December 7th & 8th and the afternoon of December 9th.

Trustee Daniels stated he was to present a resolution for an addition to the Performing Arts Committee. However, he understands that there are some problems within the body here of having the Performing Arts Committee continue as a Village committee. That is very disturbing to him, forcing him to remove this resolution (which would have nominated a person to serve on that committee. Perhaps something can be worked out so that the committee continue as a Village function.

Mayor Brenton stated in regards to Trustee Daniels' resolution, he requested that the Attorney provide us with his opinion of the Performing Arts Committee which he would like made part of the record.

Attorney Troy stated his position on the Performing Arts Committee has been consistent from the start. It is his belief that there are only 2 committees in the Village which have a legal authorization beyond the advisory capacity and that is the Planning Board and the Board of Appeals. Both are statutorily established and have certain powers given to them by the law. All other committees are purely advisory. His belief is that a committee, such as the Performing Arts Committee, when it hands in an agreement with others, it is effectively entering into a contract relationship. If this Board takes it upon itself to appoint members of that committee, it is effectively sanctioning that committee as a legacy of the Village government and holding forth to the public at large that this committee has the authority and the right to enter into such agreements on behalf of the Village; thereby, making the Village, in his opinion, potentially liable for any kind of contract or breeched contract action that could develop. A committee of this sort should be and can be and can function more effectively outside the existing structure of the Village. To adopt and to start endorsing membership on this committee by this Village Board does create a problem he can foresee down the line.

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Mayor Brenton stated he has to resolve in his mind what the Board is willing to do and can do at this time.

Trustee Kaye reported that the Lehigh Memory Trail Memory Garden is flourishing and doing quite well. We have sold 4 trees and 1 Lilac bush so far. She believes most of those have been planted. For those who would like additional information, we do have a book of colored photos at the front desk of Village Hall, if you would like to come in and see the kinds of trees and markers that are available as well and a map of where those trees would be placed. So if you do have any questions about the trees or bushes that are available, we do have that book here at Village Hall.

Trustee Kaye also reported that 2 weeks ago, Jonathan Guillome, as Trustee Daniels mentioned, organized a tree planting in Island Park of 10 Linden trees that are on the pathway to the new pavilion. As they grow, they will form a border along the pathway towards the pavilion. Jonathan organized that project along with the Parks Committee and got volunteers to work as well. He was also an instrumental individual in helping the Memory Tree Garden get off the ground. Trustee Kaye gave a special thanks to Jonathan and the Parks Committee for making those 2 functions quite possible.

Trustee Kaye stated that a week ago, she sent out a survey to residents that border Garrison Park. Approximately 90 requests for information were mailed to residents about their feelings regarding some possible improvements we may be making to the park in the future. Those included curbing along the park side of Garrison Park, a possibility of a sidewalk and/or a possibility of a fence. So far we've received 20 responses so we've had a very good response from the neighbors. Our primary purpose is to keep traffic out of the park and to keep it looking neat and orderly along the side of the edges of the road, rather than have it be muddy there. Many residents have brought us maps and gone into a great amount of detail of what they would and would not like to see. She gave a special thanks to those members of the community who have sent back their responses on such a timely basis.

Trustee Kaye reported that she has a brief update on NOREC, the Northern Recycling Council. At our next December meeting we will be voting on a new Executive Director. Also, the scheduled date for the NOREC facility to be opened in Depew to accept recycled goods still at this point appears to be the end of 1991.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Bindert, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT the Village Board of Trustees, acting as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Williamsville Fire Department hereby appoints Michael Vogel, 218 Columbia Drive, Williamsville, New York, as a fireman

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in the Williamsville Fire Department.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kaye stated her second resolution deals with the bid specifications for recyclable items. We have included a few alternatives in these specs for picking up recyclable items. We've asked that the bidders give us a price on picking up and providing a truck for all recycling. Basically the contractor would provide the manpower, the labor, the truck and take away our recyclables as well. The second alternative is for them to simply provide the labor and the location to take the materials and the third alternative is for us, the Village of Williamsville, to provide all service and only have a place to take the recyclable materials. We've also asked the bidders to provide 3 different kinds of pricing so that we can do an in depth comparison of costs to see which way would be a better and more advantageous avenue for the Village to go. We've asked them to price it for the Village, to have no return upon the sale of material, for the Village receive 25% of the profits from the sale of collected materials and thirdly, for the Village to receive 50% of the profits from the sale of collected material. When the bids are returned, we should have very good indication of which is the very best way for the Village to go in the recycling business. We have looked at many sets of specifications from other municipalities that have already gone out to bid and have taken the best out of all of those to compile our own set of specs that meet the needs and the requirements of the Village of Williamsville.

Trustee Daniels stated that although he has had several conversations with Clerk Terry Cummins, he didn't get a chance to express his feelings on some of the wording and requirements that are included in this contract at the work session. He'd like the opportunity to do that before we vote on it or if that is not possible, he would like to table this resolution until we have an opportunity to accept the wording and also what is being asked of the bidders.

Mayor Brenton stated that under Roberts Rules of order you have the opportunity to ask any questions that he may have when we are "on the question", which we now are.

Trustee Daniels questioned whether he could then start to "pick it apart"?

Mayor Brenton stated he would like Trustee Daniels' term of "pick it apart" be clearly recorded in the minutes because he has had a considerable length of time to understand the contract. Mayor Brenton thinks given that time period, Trustee Daniels definition of what he wants to do with this resolution clearly makes a statement concerning his ability as a Trustee. You want to pick

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this resolution apart. That was your term, these minutes are going to show that. (Trustee Daniels) has had ample time to ask questions of Trustee Kaye. She is readily available, she has an answering service, she is in the office constantly and Trustee Daniels has not raised any questions pertaining to this resolution. Trustee Kaye has worked along with Superintendent of Public Works David Laubisch very diligently and very hard on these specs which is resultant from Mayor Brenton's memo of last February requesting immediate action pertaining to solid waste. The people of the Village of Williamsville want to engage in solid waste and now Trustee Daniels sits here this evening and says he wants to pick the resolution apart. Mayor Brenton has to take strong exception to that and these minutes are going to be clearly recorded.

Trustee Daniels stated he understood that this was to be on the working agenda of the meeting before this. It was not discussed. He is asking for an opportunity to discuss it now.

Mayor Brenton stated if Trustee Daniels would state his questions to Trustee Kaye pertaining to this resolution, he is sure she will discuss them for him and answer them for him.

Trustee Daniels said his first question concerned the term of the contract. Rather than for a three year term, he would like to see the contract written for a term of one year with options to renew for additional years. This is due to the volatility of the recyclable markets at the present time. He feels it will be difficult for the bidders to record an accurate figure for a three year term and that they would present a more concrete proposal for a one year term.

Trustee Kaye said that option was examined because of questions posed by Trustee Daniels at the last meeting. In talking to municipalities who have bid previously and attending the second Annual Recycling Conference in Syracuse, she has heard from these people and vendors that we would receive a much better price the longer the contract. The other stipulation in the specs is that when the NOREC facility in Depew comes on line at the end of 1991, we have the option to choose whether we would take our materials to NOREC or continue to take the material to the contractor who has won the bid.

Trustee Daniels stated he was not going to quibble about the three years. He thinks that the three years is okay but he would like it broken down into a first year cost as well. He would like to know if the contractor is dividing the cost equally over 3 years or if he is giving himself a buffer for the last 2 years because he does not know what the commodity market will be in those years. Because we have the option to opt out of the contract when NOREC goes on line in 1991, he does not want to pay more in the first year of the contract than in the last two. He would like to see the first year figure lower than the last 2 years.

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Trustee Kaye stated that if she understands Trustee Daniels comment correctly he is looking for a breakdown of the costs. We have made provision for the contractor to provide us with those costs later in the specifications. We have asked the bidder for a breakdown of exactly how much they are receiving on a regular basis for the materials by each category. We will be provided information on how much money they collect for paper, glass, cardboard and each recyclable. That is outlined in the specifications. If we then know what these figures for sale of materials are, we will be able to determine what their labor charge is so we can make a determination of whether to transfer to NOREC. Whether the market goes up or down, we will have the figures on how much the contractor receives from the sale of the goods.

Trustee Daniels asked that #16 - Other Services be removed from the specifications.

Trustee Kaye agreed with that request since the Village had already budgeted for that cost in our current budget.

Another question posed by Trustee Daniels was regarding the bid sheets and the way Trustee Kaye was requesting her information. The first bid line asks for the total price for three years of collection service with no return to the Village upon the sale of materials. The second category asks for the Village receiving 25% of the profits. Won't they simply use the first bid and take 25% off that figure?

Trustee Kaye stated the key word here is profits, really. In talking to municipalities who have been in the business of recycling and to the vendors who provide the service, there are a variety of options available to us. One of the primary concerns she had noted from the last meeting we had, was that Trustee Daniels wanted to know every possible option and scenario in terms of how this costing might affect the Village and what might be best fiscally for us. These are the 3 most popular alternatives. It's very difficult to say whether the contractor will simply subtract 25% out or not. She doesn't know what the bidders will do. Their prices will vary based on whether they have to give us any return at all or if there is a percentage. It will change and that's why we have requested that information. We won't know until the bids come back whether they have simply subtracted 25% or 50%. We have a variable list of options to choose from in terms of how we would like to see recycling work and what would be most fiscally responsible for the Village.

Trustee Daniels stated that on the last bid sheet you request the total price of 3 years for disposal and no returns to the Village upon the sale of material with the contract providing only the location for the disposition of the material. Trustee Kaye stated yes, that's

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correct. Trustee Daniels asked first of all, why did we ask for that first bid when we get no return. Obviously, we would only be taking our recyclables to them and they would put a dollar figure on how much each ton is worth.

Trustee Kaye stated sure, it's just like a tipping fee. Whether they charge us or they are going to pay us for bringing the materials to them. One of the key factors was we want to know all the options and this is one of the additional options. If we take it and we ask for no percentage, how much either may they charge us in a tipping fee or are they going to pay us for each ton of recyclable goods that we deliver to them. She thinks it is a critical element to have in there. If the bidders don't want to bid on it, they simply won't fill it out.

Trustee Daniels asked won't this be based on what their recyclables will be worth at that point in time? Isn't that going to be a very variable figure?

Trustee Kaye stated as you are maybe aware, NOREC is going to similar situations in many other municipalities in bidding out that process. We're not alone here. We didn't just make these up, we took them from a variety of specs from all around the state and with the help with a variety of collectors and their input as well as what they felt was reasonable, fair and workable in a bid contract situation for recyclables in a market that is somewhat unstable.

Trustee Daniels stated he guesses it is the unstable part of it that bothers him about getting prices of this nature.

Trustee Sweeney asked that "weekly curbsite collection of sources separated recyclables" be inserted on page 1, third sentence down. He thinks this is a key to the entire Village program that we want the people who bid on picking something up in a box that we are going to provide the residents rather than telling them anything you find laying out on the roads here or at the roadside that can be recycled, pick it up. Trustee Sweeney thinks that is a necessary valuable clarification.

Trustee Kaye stated she'd guess that it's a combination of what is already under #2 and #4. Number four talks about the location of recyclables and #2 talks about the actual recyclables that would be collected.

Trustee Sweeney stated that this is a specific legal term. We're obligated to implement a program of source separation of recyclable material. He thinks it's key to this contract and if it's already in 2 other provisions, he doesn't see any problem with including it explicitly within the first sentence. On page 3 where it reads "All recyclable materials collected by the contractor must be recycled and not taken to a landfill" - he

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recommends that we delete the "and not taken to a landfill" and substitute "recycled as long as economic markets exists". This is in legislation of what the municipality is required to do. He thinks by saying you can't take this material to a landfill we're ruling out what may be a necessary practical situation in that there may not be an economic way to recycle these materials. The law provides us the option that where it costs more to recycle it than take it to a landfill, then we can take it to a landfill. It's legal.

Trustee Kaye stated she has a problem with asking people to source separate recyclable materials and have them put them out, collect them and have the possibility of them taken to a landfill even though there might be additional monies incurred. She guesses she has a real ethical problem with that idea. One of the reasons why we have the next sentence "a maximum of 10% waste factor is allowed from the overall tonnage", was one of the things we heard from the vendors that they wanted to have in there because they are finding in collecting recyclables that there is a waste factor that they really need to landfill because either of it being improperly sorted or it may be contaminated. But she has an ethical question in her own mind where we have a recycling program and we ask people to separate things, take them to the curb, we have a truck pick them up and then we turn around and landfill them because it's more economically feasible.

Trustee Sweeney stated what he is arguing is the economic reality. At present, within Erie County, there is no one who has facilities to take plastics and recycle them. All anyone in Erie County or the Western part of New York state can do to process these materials are to take them, shred them, bail them and transport them someplace. We can force ourselves to pay much more to haul stuff around where there may be no economic recycling.

Trustee Kaye stated we also had the option in the beginning under #2 if we find, for some reason, that we want to delete one of these options - such as plastic because it's not economically feasible, we have the right to do that. If we find suddenly that we have to pay an exorbitant amount to recycle this material, we have the ability to delete that item from the recyclable weekly schedule pick up.

Mayor Brenton stated the main thrust of recycling is to remove the waste. Then if economic reality dictates, he doesn't think it should be our responsibility here to try to determine how a contractor is going to do it. The one thing we want to prevent is filling up already filled dump areas and the need for recycling was brought to the front. Given the fact that you're running out of places to dump, we're trying to clean up our act.

Trustee Sweeney stated on the bid sheet, he would like to see the inclusion of record keeping and recording requirements after base

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bid where it states "contractor provides", he would like to insert "record keeping and recording" in that first provision in addition to "collection equipment as specified".

Trustee Kaye stated that recording requirement is already in the general body of the specification. No matter which one of the options are chosen, the bidder would be required to report to us on a monthly basis detailing the amount of recyclables collected and marketed and the prices received for them.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Bindert, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT the Village Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for sealed bids for the Weekly Collection of Recyclable Items. Bids to be opened at 2:00 P.M. on December 19, 1990, in the Village Clerk's office, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, under the terms of the standard bidding resolution.

Roll Call:	Trustee Bindert	yes
	Trustee Kaye	yes
	Trustee Sweeney	yes
	Trustee Daniels	yes
	Mayor Brenton	yes

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Brenton thanked Trustee Kaye, David Laubisch and Village Clerk Terry Cummins for working diligently on this matter.

David Laubisch, Superintendent of Public Works reported the last regularly scheduled pick up of leaves in the Village of Williamsville will be on Friday, December 14th. We have already been through and covered each Village street 6 times. This will allow another week and a half to 2 weeks for any more leaves to be picked up.

David Laubisch also reported that in keeping with past tradition the DPW will start putting up the Christmas decorations on Main Street and we're going to be starting that tomorrow morning.

Mayor Brenton thanked David Laubisch and the men from the department for the job they did in picking up the leaves.

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

Unanimously carried.

Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street asked what, if any, position is the Village taking on the plowing of county highways?

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Mayor Brenton stated we discussed that and it is in the forefront of his mind and he is sure Trustee Kaye's as well. At this stage of the game we did not enter into any resolution to cease the plowing of county highways within the Village. He thinks, probably without speaking for the Board but certainly for himself, our position would seem to be as last year at this time, that we would never cease to provide the public the services that they require. Speaking for himself, he certainly would not want to have an accident on Evans Street, due to an icy pavement. It's not necessarily only plowing that we're talking about. Most people seem to think that plowing is the only thing we do. One of the things we do is sand the hills and salt the hills first. He certainly wouldn't want to wait for the county truck to get there in an icy road condition. He would take that position that we would provide the service and then if we had to argue about the dollar value, at a later time we would do so. Our first and foremost concern involves public safety and public life and we're not going to have an accident. We're not going to have a fire emergency apparatus unable to respond. We are going to do what is required.

Carolyn Schlifke thanked Mayor Brenton for his remarks and hopes the rest of the Board agrees with him because she does.

Trustee Kaye stated last year when this question came up to the Board we said we would plow under protest and expect to get additional funds when they were provided.

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

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Brenton, seconded by Trustee Kaye, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins  
Village Clerk/Treasurer