

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, August 26, 1991 a 7:38 P.M.

Present: Ronald Daniels, Mayor  
James Hayes Trustees  
Yvonne Kaye  
Patrick Kelly  
Mary Lowther

Thomas Troy, Village Attorney  
Theresa L. Cummins, Village Clerk/Treasurer  
David Laubisch, Supt. of Public Works

Mayor Daniels called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:38 P.M.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees on NOREC resolutions held July 15, 1991 was approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held July 22, 1991 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Trustees held August 5, 1991 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated that since our earlier meeting this month on August 5th, we've had numerous events happen including the turtle race in the Ellicott Creek area to benefit the Heart Association. Mayor Daniels extended a thank you to David Laubisch and the DPW forces for volunteering their efforts to create enough of a current for the turtles to make it to the dam area. The turtles were released near the point and the DPW had to remove some of the gates in the dam. Luckily we had a favorable wind that day so that the race was a very thrilling event. The winning ninja turtles were caught in a net at the end of the race. So it was good to see the park utilized in that manner. Mayor Daniels understands that the race went much more smoothly than it had the previous year when it was held in Ellicott Creek Park against the current. At that time they used firehoses to push the turtles downstream. Mayor Daniels thinks we have another winner for Island Park.

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Another upcoming event is a craft show, September 8th, concurrent with the Bills game that day. We expect to draw even better than the Bills. It's our first ever craft event. There are about 80 crafters that are going to be displaying their works that day. The Business and Professional Association will be selling hot dogs in a booth and some of them will have the opportunity of displaying their wares in the pavilion, if they like. Weather permitting, we should have another good time.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Hayes, vouchers in the amount of \$171,642.09 covering 8/4/91-8/23/91 were approved:

payroll fund w/e 8/10/91	\$22,034.03
General fund	97,478.75
Water fund	33,002.59
Sewer fund	7.01
Trust & Agency Fund	17,482.40
Glen Park Joint Activities fund	1,637.31
Capital fund	-0-
Community Development fund	-0-
Grand Total	<u>149,608.06</u>

Large Vouchers:

Erie County Water	\$31,027.56
M&T Bank	44,241.98
Judnick Construction	4,000.00

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated his next resolution will accept a low bid for a new stump cutting machine for the Village. The one we are replacing is around 21 or 22 years old. It's seen good service throughout all those years. Parts are no longer available and we've actually struggled through the last year, through who the efforts of one of the DPW employees fabricated some parts and welded on some teeth to keep it going. The new unit we're getting is narrower and more accessible especially for backyard or sideyard applications where houses might be close together. We do offer tree stump cutting in the front or back yards for residents. He doesn't know that it is universally known that the Village has this service. At one point in time with the budget cuts we were even considering stopping this service to residents since we needed to purchase a new stump cutter but we felt it is one of the reasons the Village is what it is because of the special services that we offer that makes it an exceptional place to live.

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

WHEREAS the Village of Williamsville has advertised for sealed bids for one Tree Stump Cutting Machine for the Department of Public Works, and

WHEREAS Lyons Sawmill & Logging Equipment & Supplies, Inc., of Little Valley, New York, submitted their low bid meeting all specifications,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the contract for one Tree Stump Cutting Machine is hereby awarded to Lyons Sawmill & Logging Equipment & Supplies, Inc., for their low bid of \$10,965.00 including a trade in of \$1,500 for our 21 year old machine.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated as most people in the Village know now, due to the great amount of rejoicing and hoopla and going away parties, Mary Harrigan is retiring after 20 years of faithful service. Because of that we needed to decide how to realign the positions in the front offices of Village Hall. Therefore, the next 3 resolutions refer to reorganizing the employees with their new duties.

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

RESOLVED THAT Sally Kuzon is hereby appointed Deputy Treasurer in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office effective September 7, 1991.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED THAT Elaine Smith-Honan is hereby appointed Deputy Clerk and Deputy Registrar in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office effective September 7, 1991.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED THAT **Christine Heuser** is hereby appointed **Provisional Account Clerk-Typist** in the Water Department effective August 27, 1991 at the rate of \$15,000 per year.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated it's to be understood in reorganizing the other 2 positions there will be no difference in the amount of salary that they'll be receiving. It's strictly a title change. The other thing to take note is it is a provisional Account Clerk Typist since it is a civil service position. No exams for civil service will be conducted until April. At that point Chris Heuser will take that civil service exam and be required to place in the top 3 taking it within the Village area to retain that position.

Mayor Daniels stated the sixth resolution involves our ongoing concern over the Village water system and making sure that it can provide the best for our money. We're now looking at the water tower at the end of Rinewalt, between Rinewalt and Academy. There are reports that it needs considerable refurbishing on the interior which maybe a very expensive procedure, possibly \$75,000. We would have to drain the tank and get in there with sand blasters and repair plating and refinish it on the interior. There is some possibility that the tower could be eliminated with proper interconnects from the Erie County Water system which circles the Village. There's a possibility that with an interconnect between the dead ended 8" line from Erie County at the end of the Centerpointe Development and our dead end 10" line at the end of Rinewalt that this may, at least in part, eliminate the need for that tower. This resolution would approve \$1,400 for Nussbaumer and Clarke Engineering Company to go through their computer modeling system, which has been done already in the Village, and determine whether that tower can be eliminated from the system with the interconnects in any fashion. If that is the case, then we have more options open to us even if we don't eventually join Erie County Water Authority.

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

RESOLVED THAT Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc., is hereby appointed to perform additional modeling of the Village water distribution system to check the necessity of the ground-level storage tank at the end of Rinewalt Street at a fee of \$1,400.00, per their proposal of August 1, 1991.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED THAT the Village Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for sealed bids for one new Snowplow Truck for the Department of Public Works. Bids to be opened in the Village Clerk's Office, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, on September 18, 1991 at 2:00 P.M. under the terms of the standard bidding resolution.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated the eighth and ninth resolution tie into the upgrading and improvements to the DPW building on Long Street. The first approves a bond resolution in the amount of \$30,000 for exterior improvements, fencing, landscaping, and paving.

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

RESOLVED THAT Bond Resolution in the amount of \$30,000 for the Construction of Site Improvement at the Department of Public Works Garage is hereby adopted.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated the ninth resolution applies to the interior renovation of the DPW building.

RESOLVED THAT Bond Resolution in the amount of \$195,000 for Partial Reconstruction of the DPW building is hereby adopted.

Unanimously carried.

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Mayor Daniels stated we're already working towards the interior improvements. He understands that we have a trailer that was donated by Herbert Darling Construction that our Village forces can use during the renovation of the interior of the building. Mayor Daniels thanked Mr. Darling for his kind loaning of the trailer to us.

Mayor Daniels stated his tenth resolution is more of a housekeeping resolution, the bond in the amount of \$195,000. Because it's a long term bond it needs to be published in the newspaper of record, which is the Amherst Bee.

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

RESOLVED THAT the following resolution is hereby adopted:

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE  
IN THE COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES  
AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village Clerk of said Village of Williamsville, shall within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution cause to be published, in full, in the "AMHERST BEE," a newspaper published in Buffalo, New York, having a general circulation within said Village and hereby designated the official newspaper of the Village for such publication and posted in at least 6(6) public places in the Village, a Notice of the \$195,000 Bond Resolution which has been adopted.

Section 2. After said bond resolution shall take effect, the Village Clerk is hereby directed to cause said bond resolution to be published, in full, in the newspaper referred to in Section 1 hereof, and hereby designated the official newspaper for said publication, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Unanimously carried.

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Trustee Kaye reported she would like to share a special get well wish to Pat Armitage, our Parking Enforcement Officer, who was injured in the line of duty. She was on Main Street and marking tires, as she does, when she realized she was in the path of a semi tractor trailer. Fortunately, she only injured her leg and will be back very shortly, but it was very unfortunate that she had to leap out of the way and pull ligaments in her leg. Trustee Kaye shared some "get well wishes" for Pat Armitage for those line of duty injuries.

Trustee Kaye has requested of Patrick Kelly, liaison to the Building Department, to look into the section of Main Street between Park and Pfhol. The right of way in that area is crumbling and deteriorating. The blacktop is crumbling and Trustee Kelly and Trustee Kaye have had some conversations about improving the appearance of that area which has become quite unsightly.

Trustee Kaye stated she was also very pleased to see the installation of the sidewalk at Garrison Park this past week. It was wonderful to see it happen as a result of the hard work of so many people. Last year the Parks Committee had formulated a survey which was mailed to residents. They had narrowed down some thoughts and ideas they had for Garrison Park and wanted the input of surrounding residents. The survey basically asked for thoughts on fence around the park, curbing and a sidewalk. Basically, the survey came back saying that residents preferred a sidewalk and curbing and they did not want to see a fence in that area. Fortunately, we were able to find an anonymous donor who was willing to donate the concrete for the sidewalk at Garrison Park. This past year we budgeted the money for the excavation and for the finishing of that sidewalk and was pleased to see the present Parks Committee Chairman and Liaison continue on with that project. The second item that had been budgeted was curbs and that was something else the community had wanted to see. We're not quite sure what the status of that is.

Trustee Kaye reported Traffic and Safety will be meeting on September 19th. There are a few items on our agenda that we'll be bringing up regarding looking at obtaining the revenues from parking tickets that are still outstanding through the Scofflaw law. Trustee Kaye will be meeting with Judge Townsend and the court staff as the Traffic and Safety Committee has requested regarding the Scofflaw law and how do we move that forward through the office. Then she will be reporting her recommendations to the Board for receiving those additional funds from uncollected parking tickets.

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Trustee Kaye stated her resolution deals with Community Development. Since April, she has been liaison to Community Development. In the past 2 years she has seen public hearings held in Community Development and unfortunately there has been a very slim turnout, if any, in terms of how we will use these community block grant funds, which we receive from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Last year we received \$36,000 and approximately the same amount prior to that. In past years these funds have traditionally been spent for infrastructure, for housing rehabilitation and for our water modeling study. There's also the ability for low cost loans for those who qualify. Traditionally, they are for people with low income or the elderly to be able to do work on their homes. We do have a target area, but if people do need work done on their home, they do not necessarily have to live in the target area, but of course within the Village of Williamsville. To greater enhance the ability for the Board to really look at this and prioritize the needs of our community in terms of the spending of these funds, she would like to move that a Community Development Committee be formed to review those community needs and possible programs. This would provide additional input in addition to the public hearing that traditionally is held in February to help the Board make a decision on how to best use these funds for our community. She would like the additional input from members of the community. It would be a committee of 6 individuals who would help identify uses for Community Development funds.

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

RESOLVED THAT a Community Development Committee is hereby created for the purpose of reviewing community needs, reviewing possible Community Development programs and recommending the use of the Community Development Block Grant funds within the target area and the committee will be composed of six Village residents who will be appointed for a one-year term.

Trustee Hayes stated there was some discussion that came up in the pre-board session that he would like to revisit. That involved some questions that he had about this committee, some of the concerns he had in terms of it's responsibilities and those of the newly established Local Government Advisory Board. When the Local Government Advisory Board was established on June 10, many of the same functions that are being proposed for this new committee were provided for in enabling legislation for the Local Government Advisory Board.

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When Trustee Hayes introduced the resolution for that Board, according to the minutes, he said that Board would also act as a needs assessment group for various needs that may come up for funding within the Village. Certainly one of the things that was also provided for in the actual legal wording of the resolution was that the Local Government Advisory Board would consider and recommend the use of possible federal and state grant assistance and other aid programs as part of their responsibility. The concern he expressed in the pre-board meeting carries over until now in that he is not exactly comfortable in voting to approve this new committee because he feels it overlaps with many of the responsibilities that are already provided for in the Local Government Advisory Board.

Trustee Kelly stated he also agrees. He wants to make sure that there's no conflict with the Local Advisory Committee, since it has been set up to review all grant applications. Rather than vote against it at this time, he would like to bring forth a motion to table this until the next Board meeting giving all the Board the opportunity to review not only how we set up the Local Government Advisory Board but what the purpose of the Board is and whether we are just doing duplication here.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kelly, seconded by Trustee Hayes, it was moved to table the resolution until the next meeting.

Trustee Lowther stated her understanding when the Board created the Government studies program was that they were going to actively be looking for new funds and developing a lot of grant writing in order to procure new funds for the Village. It wasn't her distinct understanding that they would be involved in the recommendations to be made for the Community Development Funds. By the same token, she feels that the more input we have on where these funds go, when they are available and having 2 groups, if we do end up having 2 groups that do overlap, having them both have the ability to prioritize where this funding will go is going to do nothing but benefit the Village and it's going to benefit this board in having this input. Generally speaking, when we have the public hearing for the Community Development Funds, usually no one comes forward to say how the money should be spent. She doesn't see overlapping or conflict between 2 advisory groups whose sole purpose is just to advise this Board.

Trustee Kelly stated he may come to that realization after having the opportunity to review it in a little more detail, but on first glance it looks to him like you're just taking a smaller part of a larger committee and creating a committee for it. He'd like the opportunity to review it in a little more detail and maybe he'll agree with Trustee Lowther. We're only looking at a delay of two weeks.

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He doesn't think, since it's not going to be funded until next April anyways, it's going to be a problem in delaying it for just the two weeks until the next Board meeting. The money for this year is committed already and we don't get funds until the next budget. So a delay of 2 weeks shouldn't be a problem.

Mayor Daniels stated the Government Study Committee basically has in it's pervue an overall concept of where the Village is going and prioritizing the projects that are needed far into the future as one of it's main roles. You need an overview that considers all the different aspects. Grant writing is one of the major areas but in order to write grants that are effective, you have know where you're spending and utilizing the grants that you already have. They will be definitely studying all the grants that we now have in order to effectively apply in areas where we seem to be lacking. We have a grant writer in that committee, whose occupation is just that. So he's very well versed. The committee that's already established will be looking at this in such a larger macroscope; he's not sure that the scope of the proposed committee is large enough to give recommendations unless it were to duplicate alot of the work that the Government Study Committee is doing anyway. In response to the request by Trustee Kelly to table this resolution, he is open to that proposal. If we vote on this and vote it down, that does not eliminate the possibility of resubmitting it anyways in 2 weeks. If people have their reservations on it tonight, it could still be brought up in 2 weeks whether it's tabled or not at this point with the understanding that we will all look further into it in the interim. Mayor Daniels thinks we need to act on the resolution before we consider tabling it.

Trustee Hayes stated he thinks the motion to table takes priority over other motions.

Attorney Troy stated it admits of no further discussion. You take a vote immediately if there is a motion to table.

Roll Call:

Trustee Lowther	No
Trustee Hayes	Yes
Trustee Kelly	Yes
Trustee Kaye	No
Mayor Daniels	Yes

Motion carried.

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Trustee Kaye stated since the next resolution is in direct relationship to those people who she was going to appoint to that committee, she would assume that she needs to table that as well.

Trustee Lowther reported the next Glen Park Joint Board meeting will be held in Town Hall at 7:30 P.M. on September 3, 1991. Also, the Performing Arts Committee will have one of it's few meetings. They don't have any program during the summer and they have chairmen of different programs so they don't get together very often and meet. They will be meeting Thursday morning at 8:00 A.M. at the Original Pancake House on Main Street on August 29. Anyone who's interested in sitting in on that meeting is certainly welcome.

Trustee Lowther reported on the Meeting House. The new windows have been installed on the east side of the building and they look wonderful.. They're different than the stained glass windows and are very interesting. There's Lexon being installed to cover the new windows and we've also appropriated enough funds out of this year's budget to replace the fogged over glass or plastic that was in front of the front windows. These windows are almost invisible at this point. You can't see through the Flexiglass anymore because it's had so many years of wear and tear. The Lexon is expected to hold up and allow those to be seen and enjoyed by everyone. We also have a new matching light being installed in the Conference room and we've also had a table returned to us that has been refinished. A lovely job was done. That's also being used in the Conference room right now.

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

RESOLVED THAT Jean Duffy, 59 Wellington Court, is hereby appointed to the Beautification Committee until the end of the 1991-1992 official Village year.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kelly reported in our work session after this meeting we will be discussing the situation at the Lehigh Memory Trail with Darling. Mr. Darling, for a number of years, has been renting a part of the land behind his building and adjacent to Lehigh Memory Trail. We've been trying to work out various schemes to help meet their needs and also meet our needs and we're going to discuss it a little bit further tonight.

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ON MOTION by Trustee Kelly, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

WHEREAS a public hearing was held on the 22nd day of July 1991 by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville, notice of which was given as required by the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Open Meetings Law and the Village Law of the State of New York;

WHEREAS at said public hearing the Board of Trustees considered the enactment of proposed Local Law #7-1991, entitled A LOCAL LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE CODIFICATION OF THE LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES AND CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE INTO A MUNICIPAL CODE TO BE DESIGNATED THE "CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE"; AND

WHEREAS all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard with respect to the enactment of said local law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 7-1991 is hereby enacted.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Kelly, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT the following residents are hereby appointed to be Election Inspectors for the referendum to be held on October 5, 1991 on the Firemen's Service Award Program. Compensation shall be \$45 per day.

District #1 - Williamsville Methodist Church

Kay Kiebala	139 Cadman Drive
Harriet Rowles	45 S. Cayuga Road

District #2 - Williamsville Village Hall

Peggy Andrews Coutlakis	128 S. Union Road
Rita Andrews	128 S. Union Road

District #3 - Glen Park Nature Building

Sally Schueckler	231 California Drive
Marion Blocher	107 Garrison Road

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Alternate - Leonard Schallmo  
128 Oakgrove Drive

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Hayes reported on the Parks Committee. It has had a very successful "Savor the Flavor" activity. Trustee Hayes said a very special thanks to all the people that worked on what was a tremendous event. He thinks we broke the 10,000 mark for number of participants in this year's event. We raised over \$5,000 for the benefit of Village Parks and it was a tremendous success. Trustee Hayes thanked the members of the Parks Committee who worked so very hard and attended a number of meetings in preparation for the event. There were alot of unsung heroes, people who worked behind the scenes, who aren't always on the front lines of things when congratulations are going around, but they all worked very diligently. A special thanks to Matt Bierl, who was the event chairman and member of the Parks Committee, to Carolyn Schlifke, our Parks Committee Chairman, to the Williamsville Businessman Association and the Village Youth Committee, they all deserve tremendous kudos for what was again a very enjoyable and successful event.

Trustee Hayes stated the Parks Committee met on August 21 to begin discussion on how we're going to spend the money that we raised on beautifying the parks. We had put an advertisement in the Buffalo News in one of their news reports that the public, as usual, is welcome to attend the meeting and offer suggestions on how they would like to see the parks improved by this money. We reviewed several returns of a questionnaire that was distributed. The questions were formulated by Carolyn Schlifke, the Parks Committee Chairman, trying to get some feedback from residents. We also heard some advice from a Mr. Jim Horning, who is a landscaping expert. He works for Alberts landscaping and works with Pilot Field in the city of Buffalo. One of the deep, longstanding concerns of the committee was the circumstance that has arisen in Island Park as a result of so many of these wonderful festivals that we have all the time between Old Home Days, July 4th, Savor the Flavor and now a craft fair. Anybody that's been back there recently has seen that our poor park has taken a beating. The grass is just gone in spots. The earth has turned to concrete. It's been trampled by many hundred of thousands of people over the past several years and we want to do something to help refurbish the Island so we can continue these events and we can continue to offer the park as a place for families and Village residents to enjoy in the future. What Mr. Horning told us was that we should look at a machine that's called a coring machine.

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What really needs to be done is to have the soil broken up because after so much time after being compacted in with the rock that's underneath there, the roots, the grass plants are being crushed and now allowed to grow. So while many people felt it was just a situation of watering the grass, certainly if the roots of the plants are dead, that grass is not going to come back. What we are going to be doing in the next week to 10 days is to get a demonstration of this coring machine in Island Park to have it chew up that dirt and make it more fertile for what's called a power seeder. The power seeder digs a troth underneath the soil that's been prepared by the coring machine and it drops seed into the ground, not on top of the hard concrete ground as we have back there now but into a ground that's been more prepared. Then a little wheel travels in the back and develops sort of a coverage for the grass that's been planted. We're very excited about the professional advice we received and hope we can bring that grass back to a better position than it is right now. Also, Trustee Hayes was very pleased to see that a member of the Jolly Boys Organization attended our Parks Committee meeting the other night and the Jolly Boys are very interested in working with the Parks Committee to try to do something in Island Park to help us accomplish that refurbishment.

Trustee Hayes reported on the sidewalk installation. He wants to thank Trustee Kaye for her very kind comments. He's sure the committee appreciates those because they did do a great deal of work in discussing this ongoing project. Phase one is now complete. 1,720 square feet of concrete sidewalk was installed on Friday along the Park Drive side of Garrison Park. Phase two will be cleaning up the area that's around it that's closest to the street where many residents have told us it is a safety hazard because of the ruts and the parking that exists on that side of the street. The second phase of this project will attempt to remove those ruts and to fill that area with crushed gravel similar to what is on the Garrison side of Garrison Park. We're going to be continuing to work on that beautification and safety project.

Trustee Hayes reported in terms of the Local Government Advisory Board, we'll be meeting again on Wednesday morning at 8:30 A.M. here in Village Hall and several items are to be discussed. The Board will hear a presentation on the challenges and opportunities for moving the Village from a Village Clerk's position to that of a Village Administrator. He says many challenges and opportunities because there are many villages in Erie County and in New York state who have done that to increase the effectiveness and strengthen Village government. We wanted to hear much more in depth from people who have experienced it. A gentleman who's going to speak to the Board has some 35 years of experience in government. Also, we're continuing to study the luminous material that's coming in the water system herein the

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Village. We're trying to offer some support and some help on giving the Board some direction in that regard..

ON MOTION by Trustee Hayes, seconded by Trustee Kelly, the following resolution was hereby adopted:

RESOLVED THAT Michael Meldrum and David Kubiak, Williamsville firemen, are hereby authorized to attend the Niagara Mohawk School in Oswego, New York, on August 9-11, 1991 and the cost, not to exceed \$275.00 each to be paid by the Village of Williamsville, and

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT James Zymanek and Christopher Petrie are hereby authorized to attend the National Fire Academy Incident Command Workshop at Bucks County Community College in Williamsport, Pennsylvania on October 4-6, 1991, and the cost, not to exceed \$125.00 each to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried.

David Laubisch, Superintendent of Public Works, reported the reconstruction of the DFW is well under way. In as much as the major portion of that construction is going to occur within the office area and the first 3 bays of the shop, we are doing some renovating and house moving ourselves internally so that we do not have any interruption of service to the Village residents while this is ongoing.

We just started our paving program with the assistance of the Town of Amherst. We started on Pasadena Street today. The schedule is tentative but relatively firm. We will be paving in this order: Pasadena Street, Reist Street, Glen Avenue, Gordon Street, South Ellicott Street and Scott Drive. Village residents will be given a minimum of one day's notice prior to our starting to pave on their street. That way if they have to get out to work in the morning, we start paving at approximately 7:30 or 7:45 A.M.

Mr. Laubisch also reported on a NOREC meeting. There's been much discussion in the newspaper recently about NOREC. The original facility was designed to handle approximately 150,000 residents or the recyclable materials that they create. It has been down scaled. The current facility that they are proposing will handle approximately 250,000 residents. The original cost to implement the facility at 450,000 residents was 7 1/2 million dollars. By down sizing the facility to 250,000 the cost has been cut to approximately 3 1/2 million dollars. This has greatly renewed interest in the project.

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He understands that the Town of Amherst again is expressing interest in participating in the facility and he understands the Town of Cheektowaga is also interested in participating in the facility. Fox and Company, an Accounting firm, put some figures together for NOREC and they're talking about an original start up cost around \$11.00 a ton to handle recyclable materials. David Laubisch thinks that from all indications that NOREC is going to be a viable entity in a very near future.

David Laubisch also wants to take this opportunity to thank the Savor the Favor Committee. Each year over the last 3 years the DPW forces go back into the park the morning after. All the material or garbage leftover from that event is neatly piled, organized and it facilitates our cleaning up after the event. He publicly thanked the committee and everyone involved with their efforts and cleanup afterwards.

Mayor Daniels also reported that Academy School, which is now the Christian Central Academy, will be designated as a historical site Wednesday night, August 28 at 7:30 P.M. There's a stone that was donated by Stereo Advantage from the Lehigh Trestle which crossed Main Street near Union. The stone was moved there and set in at an angle in front of their sign and planting which will have a bronze plaque designating the site as a historical site from 1853, although the original structure burned down which is one of the reasons that that is a site rather than a building designation. It's in conjunction with their picnic which starts at 6:30 P.M. All residents wishing to come and stop by at 7:30 P.M. are certainly welcome to come and watch the dedication.

ON MOTION by Trustee Daniels, seconded by Trustee Kelly, it was moved to suspend the rules for the purpose of public participation.

Unanimously carried.

Harmon Whipple, 51 Garden Parkway, asked on NOREC. They've down sized it and got the cost per ton down, now if Amherst and Cheektowaga turn round and go into it, are they going to have to upsize it again?

David Laubisch stated they have the capacity right now to run one shift. They also have capacity to increase that to a second shift which would be more cost effective than doubling the size of the facility.

Trustee Kaye stated her understanding is that the second shift would cover Amherst, but her understanding is it may not cover Cheektowaga as well. If Cheektowaga and Amherst join there may be a different configuration.

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Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, stated in as much as we're discussing recyclables, she has found that some plastic items that she is putting out are being left in the basket. Is this something that should not be put out? Should I leave out only 1's and 2's?

Trustee Kaye stated BFI only processes 1's and 2's. What also is in our contract with BFI, and we have been working diligently to enforce, is that when the recycling truck driver leaves material in your recycling basket at the curb, he is to leave you a note specifying why he has left the material. We've had this problem so she appreciates Carolyn bringing it to the Board's attention again.

Ms. Schlifke stated caps are removed and left in the basket. You do not want any caps even though they are the same material as the container?

Trustee Kaye stated the plastic cap has to also be labeled with a 1 or a 2, otherwise it is not recyclable. Right now they don't have a market for those things between 4 and 7.

Carolyn Schlifke also stated she doesn't know what was written in the contracts for the brick pavers on Main Street but she is rather distressed to see weeds growing up through the bricks. If this situation is left, we may eventually end up with a Main Street looking as it looked years ago. She doesn't know what the stipulations were in the contract, whether something was supposed to be put down to prevent these weeds. Also, she thinks that the south side of Main Street has a worse condition than the north side but she certainly thinks that perhaps the person who did the work should be called back in to look at it. If it's just a case of weed seed blowing and rooting itself in the sand, it may be an ongoing problem. She certainly would like to see it looked into in the very near future before we have a situation which is not attractive. There are a few areas also where trees grow suckers and they have not been trimmed off. She thinks it's something that should be addressed very shortly. Also, there's a grate around a tree in front of Bonds that has been out of place for 2 years and she keeps waiting for somebody to put it back in place but she thinks it should be addressed. She thinks we have an attractive village and she thinks it's important that we keep it that way and monies have been spent and now we must maintain it.

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Ms. Schlifke stated also regarding the sidewalk at Garrison Park that she is very pleased and happy to see that it's finally in. This was an ongoing concern of Parks Committee members and residents going back at least 8 or 9 years. While many suggestions were made over the years as how to solve the problem, whether it be curbing or a fence, her personal preference always was for a sidewalk and she's glad to see that that was a decision that was finally taken. She thinks it is very important from a safety standpoint and it will help to solve the problem of the mud ruts and the water standing. She's really very pleased that through the cooperation of a lot of people and contributions from some people that we finally have a product that she thinks will benefit the people of the village.

Ms. Schlifke stated that in regards to the Community Development Funds, the Local Government Advisory Board, Trustee Kaye is correct in stating that there is very little input from the public and the few times that there has been input from the public, either the projects that were suggested did not qualify or they were smaller items which the Board felt could be picked up in the budget at budget time. The funds then were used for infrastructure such as waterlines, sewer lines and so forth which meant that the Board was really making the final decision. Her personal thoughts on the matter are that when the Local Government Advisory Board was established, it really made the Community Development Fund Liaisonship almost unnecessary because they both are looking at the same situation. She thinks that that liaisonship was probably set up many years back to try to get more input from the public and have that one person run the public hearing. Many years have proved that it didn't work. If you have one committee that can look at the needs of the public, whether they be for Community Development Funds or whether they be for grants or needs or changes in the government, she would think that one committee is all that this government needs. It's a once a year thing. The Community Development Funds are a once of year occurrence and while you may have a committee that's going to give input, the final decision really rests with the Board as to where those monies are going to go.

Mayor Daniels commented that Main Street is the calling card for the Village as people drive through. They don't see Garrison Park, they don't see Island Park, they see our Main Street area. The businesses are very important to the Village not only from the tax base but he thinks that as residents who can shop locally and walk to the stores will attest it's a nice thing to be able to do. He thinks we want to promote the types of shops that have especially come into the Main Street area in recent time. He can't help but think it's because of the beautification we've done to that stretch of road. The weeds between brick pavers are an on-going problem.

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Somehow the weeds are going to grow and they stay green no matter how dry it is. A tree can even die and you've got the green weeds. The Businessman and Professional Association does not account for the entire stretch of businesses along Main Street or even off Main Street. He thinks that, generally, the people that are in the Business Association are the ones that are most concerned about cleaning up the areas in front of their business and their businesses are usually in the best shape. Mayor Daniels thinks we need to work with our Building Department in making sure that businesses who don't take good care of their store fronts are made aware that it is their responsibility and then follow up with a personal visit. He thinks he will start doing that. Regarding the tree sucker problem, he went around earlier and put some weed killer on all of these weeds growing out of the tree grates and trimmed back quite a bit of the tree growth. It's difficult for one person to do. He wondered if Trustee Lowther could have her committee members watch for this problem. Also, we have a Tree Warden now who is getting her feet wet. She definitely has an interest in those trees on Main Street.

Maryanne Avery, 64 Garrison Road stated she wants to thank Bob Krieter for our beautiful sidewalk on Park drive. He didn't personally pay for it but her personally arranged it. She is sure the residents are all going to be very happy and especially people in wheelchairs who can now go all the way around the park in their wheelchairs. There aren't too many places in town where you can do that where you can go from one place to another in a wheelchair. What's going to happen on the other side of the sidewalk? There were cars parked in there today and there also were ruts.

Mayor Daniels stated that's going to be excavated and the gravel will be put in which compacts very tightly. It forms almost a concrete like surface so that it will eliminate the rutting that's happening.

Gartley Weller, 129 Mill Street asked in regards to the Community Development Funds. He has a family in mind that he believes could qualify, but their pride won't allow them to do it.

Mayor Daniels stated there are several that he has come across that we'd like to have to take advantage of those funds. It's really a delicate situation. In the one case he was thinking to contact a relative and work through them. They do need to fill out the forms and apply for it personally themselves. We can't go and do improvements on someone else's property without their approval. It's difficult. You need a very soft glove approach with someone like that. If you'd want to tell us later who it is, we can discuss ways to approach this situation.

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Mr. Weller stated he would try his way first and if that doesn't work, he'll be back.

Trustee Kaye stated as liaison to Community Development she would be happy to talk to him to see how the Board can help them get it.

Mr. Weller stated the Historical Society has purchased 2 display cases, which are rather heavy. He wondered if we could delegate some of the muscles of the DPW to help us carry them. The display cases are only one block away from the Meeting House and we'd appreciate some help.

Mr. Laubisch stated he knows the DPW can accommodate that, but not immediately.

Mayor Daniels asked Mr. Weller if he was pleased with the stained glass. Mayor Daniels was under a different impression as to what was going to be put in on those side windows. He thought they were actually going to inset new stained glass in a leaded frame. He was mistaken.

Mr. Weller stated no, the original was not stained glass. The original was a silk screen process. This is a duplicated original glass. The color isn't quite the same as the original but the pattern is exact, it's perfect. We think they're beautiful. Mr. Weller stated it took quite a while to get that done but we finally accomplished it. We want to get them covered quickly before a stone or two may go through them.

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

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins  
Village Clerk/Treasurer