

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, January 11, 1993 at 7:37 P.M.

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

*Theresa L. Cummins, Village Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer
Thomas Troy, Village Attorney*

*Absent: James Hayes, Trustee
David Laubisch, Supt. of Public Works*

Mayor Daniels called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7: 37 P.M.

Mayor Daniels stated Trustee Hayes is absent tonight because he had a meeting at work. normally it is held on the first Monday of the month but because of the New Year, it was moved to the second. Superintendent of Public Works, David Laubisch, had his appendix removed in an emergency operation in Baltimore on New Years Day. He should be up and running by next Monday. We all wish him well.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Kelly, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held December 28, 1992 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the minutes of the public hearing on local law to amend Section 103-16 of the Village Vehicle and Traffic Code and prohibit parking on the North side of Main Street between Rinewalt Street and a point 90 feet east of Rinewalt Street. held December 28, 1992 were approved.

Trustee Lowther commented that there were some comments made during the public hearing that didn't appear in the minutes and she thinks it was because Mr. Reis was and not at the microphone. She hopes in the future the board enforces the microphone rule because there were some really good comments made that weren't included on our tape and unfortunately not transcribed in our minutes.

Mayor Daniels stated there are some conversations that occur between the audience and the village board which unfortunately don't get tape recorded. We should, in all cases, ask them to please step forward to the microphone. It's not a case of trying to embarrass anybody but just keeping the record straight.

Unanimously carried.

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Mayor Daniels reported this past summer the Jolly Boys presented the village with two flag poles for either side of the pavilion in Island Park which were installed around Old Home Days. It was a very generous gesture. Then came the question of what do we suspend from those poles. We had an American flag. The second flag that would normally fly in order would be the New York State flag. There was some question about why we didn't have a village flag hanging from the flag pole. Actually the chairman of the Parks Committee, Carolyn Schlifke, was one that said we really should have a flag for the Village of Williamsville and now we do. Mayor Daniels presented the Village of Williamsville flag to the audience. It is slightly smaller than the United States flag. We ordered a dozen of these so if anyone in the village is interested in purchasing one, the village will be glad to sell them at cost which is \$35.00 a piece. If anyone is interested in a flag, feel free to come to Village Hall.

Mayor Daniels reported that the last time we had snowfall we were plowing the village sidewalks the plow struck a tree and the plow was totaled which necessitated us deciding what to do with much controversy. We got some calls saying not to buy a new one because it is a waste of money for the village to plow the sidewalks: On the other hand a lot of people appreciate the fact that the village does plow sidewalks. Most areas do not. Village residents seem to look on it as one of the special services that the village provides that the town does not. There was discussion on both sides of the issue. We, as a village board, would not care to make a change in that policy. He suspects if there were to be a change in that way of operation, it should be the subject of a referendum at voting time to see if people really do want to continue with that service that we do provide. Some of the comments also concerned lawns being damaged: Although we routinely patch the landscaping around the sidewalk, we still get some residents who complain about that. This new plow we have purchased is identical to the prior one. It is a Bombardier and the only company that makes a narrow enough plow for the village to use. The plow that was totaled was 15 years old and scheduled to be replaced in June. It ended up saving us money in the long run since we got a good settlement and trade in. The only change on the new plow is that they have a rubber tread on the track which should be a little more forgiving to the landscaping in the village. Today, when the plow did its duty, it did a very clean job. We are also going to train several operators on that piece of equipment so that we can be sure that there will be somebody always available to do the plowing.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, vouchers in the amount of \$89,143.93 covering 12/24/92 - 01/07/93 were approved:

Payroll fund w/e 12/31/92	\$ 18,027.99
General fund	35,211.70
Water fund	30,983.42
Sewer fund	-0-
Glen Park fund	202.63
Trust & Agency fund	4,718.19
Grand Total	\$ 89,143.93

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Large Vouchers:

Erie County Water Authority	\$30,591.88
Moody's Investors Service	\$4,200.00

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated the village election is coming up again. There will be two trustee positions decided on March 16th. As of part of that routine we do have several resolutions. This is the one that designates the polling places in the village.

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

WHEREAS the next Village Election in the village of Williamsville is to be held on Tuesday, March 16, 1993 and

WHEREAS, the hours of voting will be from 12:00 noon until 9:00 P.M. on March 16 1993,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said Village shall be divided into three election districts and the places of holding such election shall be as follows:

DISTRICT #1 - At the Williamsville Methodist Church, 5681 Main Street

District #1 includes the entire area east of Ellicott Creek, south of Main Street;

DISTRICT #2 - At the Williamsville Village Hall, 5565 Main Street;
District #2 includes the area west of Ellicott Creek on both sides of Main Street

DISTRICT #3 - At the Village Meeting House, 5658 Main Street

District #3 includes the entire area east of Ellicott Creek, north of Main Street

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Mayor Daniels stated there have been several different locations for the voting booth in this particular district. Originally it was in the fire hall. There were some complaints that because the doors would open and close and let out a lot of heat and inspectors were cold and on top of that and they would be hit by all kinds of carbon monoxide from the truck exhaust so that last couple of times we have had the election in the auditorium but the voting is very heavy and extremely cumbersome. The last time the DPW was carrying it up the stairs, it's too heavy for the elevator, one of the employees wrenched his back and was out for a couple of weeks. We tried moving to the library but it's being used that day for an income tax group and a Homeowner's group has it in the evening. We might be able to work something out so those two functions could be held here and we could have the voting in the library but we're not sure of that yet. In any event, we may have someone else do the carting of the machine for us as the town does. So we are looking into that procedure.

Trustee Kaye reported she attended the Amherst Traffic and Safety Committee meeting this past week where the Southeast Amherst Homeowners Association made a presentation to the Amherst Town Board. It was very similar to the one they made to the Village of Williamsville Traffic and Safety Committee regarding their concerns about increasing traffic on Wehrle. Their request was for a one-way section of Wehrle and for the town to also investigate the possibility of an on/off ramp on Youngs Road to help eliminate some of the traffic in that area. On January 25th, Len DiPiro of the Thruway Authority is going to be at the Amherst Town Board work session at 3:30 P.M. to discuss the possibility of an on/off ramp for Youngs Road. Trustee Kaye felt the homeowners made a very good presentation of their case and concerns over increasing traffic in this area and need to do something about it. We will keep the public posted on that. Traffic and Safety is looking and analyzing it and feels very strongly that the on/off exit for Youngs certainly would be a way to remove a lot of that traffic and help some of the problems that does occur in the area.

Trustee Kaye reported she attended this afternoon's work session of the Amherst Town Board where the Amherst Planning Department gave a report about the Bergmann Associates draft traffic study that was done on the Southeast Amherst Traffic Study. That was a privately funded study between Ingram Micro and IDA. It is in draft form right now. The Town of Amherst had invited the Village of Williamsville to sit in on the meeting since some of the highlights involve the Village of Williamsville. There was quite a bit of discussion about how to read the report and then some of the highlights of it. Interesting, in terms of the Village of Williamsville, was some of the unacceptable levels of service that persists. One of them which is not exactly in the village but we certainly are affected by it is the Youngs/Main/Wehrle area which is at E and F capacity which is an unacceptable safe standard. They find that intersection beyond capacity particularly headed southbound. Also, another problem area is Wehrle Drive at Garrison. Certainly anyone who has traversed that area knows that it can be very difficult to turn there. One of the things that the study looked at was the peak level hour of service for unsignalized intersections. Wehrle Drive at Garrison, both northbound and southbound, are at E and F levels of service, unacceptable. Particularly, southbound left traffic in that intersection.

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Both in the morning and evening peak periods suffered by negative gaps which means that there is not enough gaps in traffic for people to get through. Also Wehrle and Aero has a limited access capacity and they feel that intersection is reaching a peak as well. It also talked about the planned widening of on Main Street from Evans to Youngs, from two to five lanes, which is scheduled for August of 1995 and then from Youngs to Transit would be in December of 1997. It would widen from two to five lanes. Another recommendation for Wehrle at Garrison was full signalization versus the stop and go light that is there. The felt that full signalization was necessary to better control that traffic. That intersection in the past three years has had a tremendous growth number of accidents. In terms of the cost, the Bergmann Associates Draft Report recommends over 30 improvements be made in scenario A. They have scenario A and scenario B for improvements. B is in addition to what happens first in A. The cost of scenario A for the improvements is estimated in today's dollars at 21 million dollars. The next question in the discussion was about financing. How do you find 21 million dollars to make the improvements to provide better levels of service in this congested area. One of the ideas that was brought up in the study and explained by the Planning Department, was the possibility of having a Transportation Development District set up. Right now this is not permitted under New York State law. It is only by special legislation and it has to be granted by the Governor and the Comptroller as well. That's a possibility and the Town of Amherst would make that request to set up a Special Transportation District that would assess everyone who lived in the district who would benefit by these road improvements. So that's an area of discussion that the Town Board has said they would have in the future. If anyone has any other questions or wants to make any other comments about this report, there is an information meeting that will be held on January 26th at 7:30 P.M. the Town Board meeting.

Trustee Kaye reported the public will see an ad in the Bridal section of this week's Amherst Bee for the Village Meeting House. She has had discussions with Gartley Weller about trying to raise additional revenue to have the Meeting House pay for itself. One of the ideas they talked about was to put an ad in for the Meeting House in the Bee to let people know that it is available for weddings, concerts and community events. Many people don't realize it's available and it is really a lovely setting. So we are testing an ad in the Amherst Bee in the bridal section. They have a special bridal edition coming out this week and this will hopefully generate some additional interest and the same ad will be put up in the Glen Park community bulletin board and hopefully will generate some additional interest and revenue for the Meeting House.

Trustee Kaye reported she has spoken to the Old Home Days Committee and the Jolly Boys this past week about setting up a meeting to address resident's resulting from the last Old Home Days. She is waiting for them to come back to her with a meeting date to address those concerns. At our last meeting we passed a resolution that granted the Jolly Boys a permit for Old Home Days this year and it was conditional based on several items, two which were standard; the liquor legal and the liability insurance that needs to be supplied to the village. There were two other concerns this year from both the police and fire departments. The fire department has had some concerns in the past about some practices. She did receive a copy of a letter from Fire Chief Zymanek this week which he sent to the Old Home Days Committee, about his concerns that have come up particularly in terms of propane and additional access to the island.

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We will be discussing these fire department concerns and also the police department concerns now that the Amherst Town Board has cut \$30,000 of overtime from the police protection funding from their budget.

Trustee Kaye stated just prior to the board coming out this evening, the board was having a discussion about implementing an aging parking ticket recovery program. We are looking at additional ways to collect some old outstanding parking tickets so if someone knows anyone who might have an old parking ticket, please encourage them to pay because we are in the process right now of working on a program for recovery of some of those tickets. Right now we have 68 Scofflawable plates that we will be working on as well. Those are people who have three or more tickets outstanding which have been issued within an 18 month period of time.

Trustee Kaye reported last meeting we did have a public hearing on a visibility problem at Main and Rinewalt and the possibility of moving parking back 90' from the corner. We heard from the owner tenants of that property and she understands this evening there are residents who would like to speak on the subject. She has received some letters and some phone calls from residents about problems with visibility. She also received from Captain Hegelberger of the Amherst Police Department an Accident Search Report covering the period January 1988 through November 1992 that lists several accident reports and information exchanged about the accidents at that area. However, it doesn't give exact information where they were or why they happened. She will follow up on that.

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

RESOLVED THAT the agreement between the Village of Williamsville and the Village of Williamsville Historical Society for use of the Village Meeting House as well as its status as the Management Committee of the Meeting House is hereby extended for one year commencing January 1, 1993.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kaye stated her second resolution amend the Vehicle and Traffic code and restrict some parking on Evans Street between Main and Eagle. There was a public hearing a while ago and she had to gather some information on the topic before deciding to move it forward. This change came as a request from Traffic and Safety that there are signs posted saying "No Parking" on Evans Street but there is no code in the book to enforce those parking signs for the majority of this area. Mrs. Schlifke raised the question if this was in previous code and, in looking back, Trustee Kaye couldn't find it in previous code. The code covers the other side of the street but not on this side. Trustee Kaye spoke to the five residences on Evans that would be affected by this change.

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Some of those people told her they didn't realize there was any parking there at all and they are in favor of removing it. They were concerned not only about traffic congestion by having a car park in that lane but there was some fear of an accident particularly someone parked there being rear ended. We did have one resident who said they prefer to have parking remain in that area.

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

RESOLVED that Local Law #1 - 1993, which would amend Section 103-16 of the Vehicle and Traffic Code and would prohibit parking on the east side of Evans Street between Main Street and Eagle Street, and which was the subject of a public hearing on August 24, 1992, is hereby adopted.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Kelly reported there is a meeting this Thursday morning of the Local Government Advisory Board at 7:30 a.m.. They will be discussing at that is the Cable TV Franchise renewal contract at that time.

RESOLVED THAT the Village Clerk publish notice of public hearing to be held on January 25, 1993 at 7:30 P.M. by the Board of Trustees for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing the Cable TV franchise renewal between the Village of Williamsville and Adelphia Cable Company.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels asked how the antenna situation is progressing?

Trustee Kelly stated we've had a public hearing with respect to the dish antenna law. Since that time he has gotten a number of laws from other municipalities and he is also talking to a number of satellite purveyors to see what size dish we can get that will be smaller than 12' because 12' is quite large for a dish and if it's possible we would like to get a smaller dish code enacted. Also, it's been pretty much half and half from the people that he has talked to as to whether they would like to allow dishes on the roofs of houses. At first discussion, most were against that but as the safety factor of having the dish up high rather than out in the open and in the back yards of people's homes had come up, it's been a bigger discussion. He thinks some of that is going to come into play with respect to the size of the dishes. Obviously we don't want 12' dishes up on people's houses but if they do have enough dishes available that are smaller in area, we might be able to do that. One of the laws he received today does allow for them up on the roof. In this case they are on the side opposite of the front so if your peaks are in the front, they would be behind the peaks, if it's on the side, it would be on the rear portion of one of the sides.

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That might be one way to get around it. It probably will take one or two additional board meetings before he is comfortable with bringing the final law up on that bill.

Trustee Lowther asked if we have done a survey on how many are being used residentially in the village. She thinks there is only a few.

Trustee Kelly stated he is aware of only two. It's just not for residential though because he has seen a very large increase in commercial use. There is some concern about the number of those being used especially on high rise buildings because companies will come in and use it almost as a relay station and go on to the next area. He is aware of only two residential ones. It is more of a situation that we'd like to establish some restrictions now rather than after we get hundreds of them. Especially with cable rates going up, he thinks more and more people will be exploring satellite use.

Trustee Lowther reported the Environmental Advisory Council will be meeting again on January 28th here in Village Hall. On February 2nd the Glen Park Joint Board will be meeting in Amherst Town Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Trustee Lowther reported in regard to Glen Park, we have finished the work over there on the damaged roof. The building has been cleaned up and it is ready to go. We are happy to be hosting Winterfest again for the Williamsville Youth Board next month. She is sure they will find the building much improved compared to other years. Recently, we had several ducks die in the park. There was some concern because a number died on one day. She went to at the park on New Years Eve after a call from Village Hall. She found five dead mallards. The New York State Wildlife Department was called and we are waiting for a report to make sure that we don't have an outbreak of anything that would be serious. We didn't want anyone touching or removing them. We felt very comfortable with New York State sending their wildlife people here to look at the dead ducks. She went down to the park the following day on New Years Day and found another one. She also was checking because the area had been used by the Village Glen for their New Years Day race and there had been some concerns when the board had issued the permit for the use of the parking lot and Glen Avenue for the race. She is happy to report that everything worked out real well. There was no garbage we had been concerned about. They did a real nice job making sure it was all taken care of.

There was no report from the Department of Public Works.

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

Unanimously carried.

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Elroy Avery, 75 Rinewalt Street stated he is here this evening to present to this board a petition relative to the public hearing held on December 28, 1992 regarding parking on the north side of Main Street 90' east of the intersection of Rinewalt and Main Street. Before presenting this petition to this board, he has a few comments he would like to make in response to some of the statements made during that hearing. He does not understand how anyone could possibly believe that any member of this board would propose any ordinance of law that would be in their benefit only. All of our board members have taken an oath to do all in their power to benefit all of the citizens of this village. Yvonne Kaye, who lives on Rinewalt Street, has asked for a change of the traffic laws concerning the parking at Main and Rinewalt. This does not in any way indicate that she is asking for anything for her personal benefit but only for the benefit and safety of the village residents. The inference of anything else is ridiculous. The success of Mayor Daniels in procuring street lights for Cadman Drive is a good example. Mayor Daniels certainly enjoys the lights on his street but it was for the benefit of all and not only his. He cannot understand Victoria D'Angelo's concern for the comfort and consideration of her clients over and above the safety of the many village residents using the Rinewalt/Main Street intersection. He would also be concerned if he signed a long term expensive lease and still could not satisfy the wants of his clients. Cicero said many years ago "in all matters in the beginning a diligent preparation should be made". He is sorry Attorney D'Angelo did not heed his advice. Mr. Reis has stated that he cannot provide additional parking space due to the fact that Mr. Gordon, who owns the immediate rear property is asking the exorbitant amount of \$150,000. He believes that Mr. Reis and he could mutually share a benefit here. He is sure he could procure that property from Mr. Reis for \$100,000 but he would, of course, expect the usual 15% finders fee. He would save \$35,000. This really isn't a big deal because he knows Mr. Reis was offered that property for \$100,000 in November and that price is not out of line. He lives on Rinewalt Street and his property was to be assessed at \$105,000. He has a bigger house on his property than Mr. Gordon but it cannot be turned into a parking lot. His can. We are asking only the same safety measures that you provide for all the people using the Reist/Main Street intersection. This would also supplement the ordinance the board passed concerning the trimming of bushes and shrubbery at corners to provide better vision. Mr. Avery presented a copy of the petition. He wants the board to know that he got 100% acceptance on this petition. Not one person refused to sign it. Mr. Avery read the petition. (Copy attached)

Mayor Daniels stated Trustee Kaye is the liaison to the Traffic and Safety Committee who made that recommendation. She really didn't come forward and present it to the board on her own. It was a resolution passed by the Traffic and Safety Board that she carried forth. It's the same with all the things that we do. The board is only representing the interests of the groups that we've established like the Parks Committee. Then we take that and determine, as a village board, whether or not it will become law. She was merely mirroring their wishes so Mayor Daniels seconded what Mr. Avery is stating. He thinks the real question is always the safety of the residents of the pedestrians and the vehicular traffic that moves through our community. The real question that we have to wrestle with is whether 90' adequate or is it too much or can we get away with less or more. He thinks something will be done with that intersection. We need some further study of it. He's certainly not dismissing it in any way.

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Matthew Hagerman, 59 Milton Street, stated that at the corner of Milton Street and Cayuga Road there is a continual parking problem with the nursery school program for the Corner House. He has not called the police recently but he had to before because the cars went down the entire length of Milton Street. He recently had renewed interest when he was turning on to Milton Street and almost had a head on collision with someone because there was no room there because of parked cars. He is wondering if anything is being done about it currently or if he should make some formal complaint.

Trustee Kaye stated two Traffic and Safety Committee meetings ago we did have a representative from the nursery school attend and ask the Traffic and Safety Committee to consider some additional changes in the parking requirements because of the problems that they are having with excess cars dropping students off and picking them up. They were requesting that on the opposite side of the street they be allowed to have a 15 minute drop off and pick up zone for children. At that time, Traffic and Safety and the Fire Department felt that would really not work well at all. It would add additional parking and safety problems there at the corner. We have not resolved it as yet but it has been brought to our attention. We've made some recommendations about some additional things we thought they could do in terms of parking right in front of the door. One of the things that Traffic and Safety suggested was that right in front of the entrance there be a shorter time period so that the people can park right in those parking places and drop off and pick up rather than have all that parking which the employees use right now. That was not acceptable to them. They said that they were going to look into it and come back to us with some suggestions.

Mr. Hagerman stated it's mainly that the north side of Milton Street is a no parking zone. Milton Street is a relatively narrow street compared to most, aside from the fact that it presents a traffic problem for regular cars. There is a substantial number of people who need medical assistance and elderly people and an ambulance would not even be able to fit there regardless of any other cars coming in the other direction so it presents a hazard. It is possible to go down to California Drive but you usually don't notice it until after you have already turned. There is also a problem with people parking past the no parking up to the corner which makes turning left harder. Mr. Hagerman would like to know when it will be addressed next.

Mayor Daniels stated we are looking into it now. Mr. Hagerman's comments are timely because another resident on Milton had brought to his attention that there is no parking signs on the north side of Milton the whole length and in looking at our code, the only thing that is mentioned in our code regarding Milton is that there is no parking on either side 60' in from Cayuga. That's in our code as well as 30' on either side of Pasadena on the south side. Somehow through the years the no parking on the north side the entire length either was not put in the code. So now we have to reinsert that to make sure that there will be access for ambulances or whatever. In a code that the current one replaced, there was one way traffic only allowed on Sundays for four hours because of the church service.

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Trustee Kaye stated in addition to the parking signs that are up, people are parking illegally in other areas and across the street.

Mr. Hagerman stated they park up to the corner at Cayuga so when you come to make a turn, there is a visibility problem. The problem is when the cars on Cayuga try to turn onto Milton Street, it is almost impossible for anyone to get by. There have been close calls there many times.

Trustee Kaye stated people drop off and pick up children there. That's really why the Cornerhouse came to the Traffic and Safety Committee. They know there are problems and they are trying to correct it. In the past, they set up a drop off area and an escort would escort the children across the street but at one time there was had an accident and so they discontinued it but they said that it worked very well for discouraging people to illegally park. She is sure they will talk about it at there next Traffic and Safety Committee meeting which if Mr. Hagerman would like to come, is on January 21st at 7:30 P.M. here in Village Hall. She encourages Mr. Hagerman to come and discuss this with the Traffic and Safety Committee.

Mr. Hagerman stated there is plenty of parking on the south side. It is usually only filled up on the south side till Pasadena and then people begin to park on the north side. They could just walk down.

Maryanne Avery, 64 Garrison Road stated she wondered if the board was notified about the tower that is being proposed for Aero and Wehrle. Three pages of literature has been circulated by the Concerned Citizens of north Cheektowaga. It says that this proposal was turned down three other places by three townships. One of them is Clarence, one is Batavia, the other one was down on Long Island. The EPA had done an impact study and said that they did not recommend it's use where people were living within a mile radius. This proposal is right on the edge of the village. Cheektowaga feels that it is not their problem. She wondered if anyone on the board was aware of this because according to this article of December 24, 1992, they said they were going to make up their minds in three weeks.

Trustee Lowther asked who is they, the people who are going to put up the tower?

Ms. Avery stated it's from the National Weather Service. She doesn't argue with the fact that it's needed. She doesn't know whether Cheektowaga has approved it. It's going to be on the airport property so maybe that's why nobody gets to say anything about it. It says the final selection site by NWS. "The NFTA Board of Commissioners must approve lease arrangements in terms before construction". She would appreciate it if someone would look into it because they said that it has this deleterious effect especially on small children and adults and a neurological effect with this low level constant radiation over a long period of time. She did think the board would be concerned about it.

Trustee Lowther asked what is the size of it?

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Ms. Avery stated it is 135' high.

Mayor Daniels stated we get constant reports on the activities of the airport. He read today in a report that at first they were concerned that the meteorological tower was not going to be located at the airport. Now they are in that report considering a northern location. It is in their report. He will contact Donna Lhu tomorrow and see the status of it and ask her for technical data on the equipment that is being installed. Mayor Daniels thanked Ms. Avery. He didn't realize that there was a microwave hazard associated.

Mr. Stroman, 116 Eagle Street, stated in the past week he was amazed to see an article in the Buffalo News regarding the elimination of stop signs on Evans Street at Eagle. This came up once before and it was rather unanimously beaten down. He would hope that the same thing would happen this time. This is certainly as bad an idea as anybody has come up with in a long time. He would hope that the board really gets behind them.

Trustee Kelly stated the board is unanimous. Somebody on the Amherst level made a request to us and every single person on this board is adamant against it.

Trustee Kaye stated when she went to the Traffic and Safety Committee meeting for Amherst, it was one of the things that she went to talk to them about that it was her feeling that the village in no shape, way or form is going to remove those stop signs.

Trustee Lowther asked what is the status on grinding up Christmas trees? She has had a couple of people ask her.

Mayor Daniels stated the day after New Years he put his out and the DPW came right out and chipped it. He is not sure how long they are going to be doing that. He would assume they are still going around and chipping the trees.

Trustee Lowther asked if the mulch is going to the mulch pile on South Long Street? Trustee Lowther stated Evergreen mulch is better than regular mulch if you have need of that for your shrubbery.

Mayor Daniels stated there is a huge pile of mulch on S. Long Street now.

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

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Kaye, it was moved at 8:34 P.M. to adjourn the meeting.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
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