

Minutes of the Public Hearing of the Board of Trustees held in the Village of Williamsville held in the Williamsville Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York on Monday, January 23, 1995 at 7:41 P.M.

*Present: Ronald Daniels Mayor
Larry Hillebrand Trustees
Mary Lowther
Basil Piazza*

*Patrick Kelly, Village Attorney
Theresa L. Cummins, Village Administrator, Clerk-Treasurer
David Laubisch, Superintendent of Public Works*

Absent Yvonne Kaye, Trustee

Also Present: Sherry Brink, Recording Secretary

The Clerk read the notice of the public hearing being held by the Board of Trustees on Monday, January 23, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing a proposed water rate increase per Section 107-9A of the Village Water Code.

ON MOTION by Trustee Piazza, seconded by Trustee Hillebrand, it was moved to open the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Piazza stated the Erie County Water Authority kind of suprised us recently with a water rate increase of 7% and we discussed this last week and again tonight at our pre-meeting and we are all going to be recommending to the public that we just pass it along with no additional increases. That means that the Erie County Water Authority's \$.13 will just be added to our water rate which will leave us at 3.01 per thousand for those in the Village and 4.52 per thousand for those receiving water outside the Village. Basically, we are just passing on the water rate increase from the County to the public.

There were no comments from the audience.

Mayor Daniels stated it is unfortunate that the Erie County Water Authority continues to surprise the Village with these rate increases. This is not the first time that we have been unable to respond by raising the rate the Village charges for it's water quickly enough to absorb the increase that they impose. They imposed this increase as of January 1st. There was no way we could have the public hearing and adjust our rates to account for the additional \$.13 per thousand gallons in time. We virtually have to use some of our surplus in our water account in order to make up the difference because they did not give the Village advance notification of this water rate increase. We objected to that kind of lack of information and advance warning before and we will go on record again. Although, as late as August when we attended a meeting at the Erie County Water Authority, they said there would be no increase this year, reinforcing the Village's confidence that the rates would stay the same.

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We were totally surprised by it and unfortunately could not respond quickly enough so we will lose some money, the difference between when this goes into effect after this meeting and January 1st, which was our old rate.

Trustee Lowther stated she agrees and wants to make sure that the Board sends something in writing to the Erie County Water Authority to make sure that they understand that we are not happy with the time frame of their increases. She understands the need, occasionally, for a price increase when it is documented to be necessary; however, when they take all the municipalities and they put us in a spot where we are forced to lose money because we can't move quickly enough to hold a public hearing, which we are required to do by law and then pass the increase along, she thinks it is unfortunate that they behave in that manner.

Trustee Piazza stated he thinks we all agree on that. We are not happy with the rapidity of this response time that we had to push through here.

ON MOTION by Trustee Piazza, seconded by Trustee Hillebrand, it was moved to close the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

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Absent Yvonne Kaye, Trustee

Also Present: Sherry Brink, Recording Secretary

The Clerk read the notice of the public hearing being held by the Board of Trustees on Monday, January 23, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing a proposed Recreational Master Plan for the Parks in the Village of Williamsville.

ON MOTION by Trustee Piazza, seconded by Trustee Lowther, it was moved to open the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Piazza stated the master plan was available at Village Hall for the last couple of weeks.

Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans Street, stated she did obtain a copy of the master plan and thinks at any time it is a good idea for any area of a government to know in what direction they are going. Basically, it is done very well. It gives a lot of explanation as to what the Parks Committee and hopefully the Village government would like to see happening to the Village in years to come. She has a couple of comments which have probably already been discussed and addressed but they are the few things that she sees that are of concern to her. One is the Island Park pool which has been under discussion for many years about replacement of it. It is very old. It always requires a lot of repairs to keep it open yet it is utilized greatly in the summer months. When you seek grant money for the replacement of a pool, that pool right now is grandfathered with the Erie County Health Department. They are willing to look the other way with some of the things that occur with that pool, backwashing and things of that sort because there is no sewer system on the island. If the Village were to install something new, there are a lot of other items the Village would have to look into, not only replacing the pool. She notices there is an item about sanitary for the lavatories, which is also a good idea but she thinks the Village will find it very expensive. If we can get grant funds, fine. Other than that, she thinks it would be quite a burden on the residents to do such a thing. It's also been discussed many times over the past years because you would have to go under the creek in order to do any kind of sanitary and run it out to Main Street. Those are just some of the concerns about replacing the pool.

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The day will probably come when the Village will have the option do we shut it down, fill it in or do we replace it? When that comes, the people in power will have to make those decisions and she is sure the Parks Committee is aware of all the problems that they could run into if they have to do such a thing. The second item is the pavilion in Island Park. She knows there has been discussion in the past about restructuring the roof support system to try to do away with some of the floor supports. While it could, perhaps, be done, that building was designed by a very reputable architect, the plans were approved by the Village Building Department and she is sure it is not even paid for yet. It probably was a 20 year bond on the balance that wasn't covered by the grant that we received from the State. She doesn't see that it would be utilized anymore by going into the expense of restructuring it at this particular time. As she stated, it was built in manner that it probably will be there when we are all gone and she thinks that is more important to start putting money into a structure that is so new just because someone might want to hold a function that would do away with the floor supports. It certainly doesn't seem to not be used because of them. It is used constantly all summer long and she thinks the Village is benefiting greatly from the amount of money that is being raised, it's supporting itself and she thinks that is the most important thing. The fishing boat launch area also in Island Park-it's always nice to offer new things to the Village residents but she thinks there would have to be a lot of questions that would have to be answered before something like that would be looked into, liability for one, the transportation of boats into the park in order to reach the ramp. Fishing is one thing, you can stand on the banks if you want to. She doesn't know if the residents that live on that creek would be that happy about having that many more boats going up and down the creek. She doesn't know if that is something that really would benefit the Village that much to allow people to bring boats into the park and launch them there, even if it is canoes. She thinks it is a little far fetched for a municipality of our size. Her last item is the expansion of Lehigh Memory Trail across Cayuga. She is trying to remember if the Village line runs down Cayuga and if on the other side it is all Cheektowaga.

Trustee Hillebrand stated it is Amherst.

Ms. Schlifke stated that is a fine idea. It would be nice to have any kind of walking situation in the Village greater than what we have. She thinks we are very happy with what we do have. It certainly made a big improvement in the area and was a good use for that particular strip of land. It's all right to suggest something to another municipality but she doesn't know whether the residents of the Village of Williamsville, while they might work in conjunction with another municipality. She doesn't know whether she would want to see any type of funds put into it.

Trustee Hillebrand stated it is a very ambitious task. There are federal funds called Rails for Trails.

Ms. Schlifke stated but it would be under the Town of Amherst's jurisdiction.

Trustee Hillebrand stated it's not something that would be lightly entered into. It's a long term project. It's such a naturally interesting thing, we could really put together something on the map.

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Ms. Schlifke stated we could and it is fine to suggest. She is just saying the Board is talking about another municipality and she thinks we should be more concerned with what lies in the Village of Williamsville.

Trustee Lowther thanked Mayor Daniels and Trustee Piazza for the nice job they did on putting this together. The reason we put together a master plan was to help facilitate some grants that we were looking for for our parks. She thinks it is important, even 5 or 10 years down the road when none of are around, that there is a master plan and there is some information there that people can look back at and have some guidelines to work along with. She thinks it is really an important thing to have that continuity from Board to Board because as we have seen, the Boards tend to change over the years, ideas change, people change and there are a lot of things that she has done in the last four years that she wouldn't mind having a master plan to go back and take a look at so she understood what was going on five or ten years ago that would have helped us along. She thinks it is a great idea.

Trustee Piazza stated he hopes we never have to replace the pool. Superintendent Laubisch does attend all the conferences and after one of the conferences a few months ago, he mentioned to Trustee Piazza that there are some other new products that we might be able to use on some of those cracks that are more flexible and water proof, etc. We may be able to get a lot of additional years out of this before we have to work on it or actually replace it and he thinks it is a major problem of trying to replace that because there probably would be a lot of regulations that we would have to look at and it might even prevent us from replacing it. He thinks the Board is aware of that and he hopes future Boards are also aware of those kinds of things. We are just trying to look at some of the possibilities for the future. The fishing boat launch area would probably end up being more useful as a pier that would prevent future erosion than a launch area but we have to meet certain requirements when we apply for grants. Part of the reason why we worded some of this is specifically to aim at grant possibilities.

Mayor Daniels stated many of the grants that we are getting into, whether it is for parks or for the Historic Preservation that we are trying to do in the Village, each source of funding wants to know how established your program is and one of the indicators for that is a master plan and it should be done in each one of the areas that the Village is involved in. We already have and have had for a long time a master plan for the DPW as far as what we want for long range plans, not only in the rebuilding of our streets and the equipment replacement and we have a five year rotation plan implemented in that after a long period of time and so the long range planning there, the recycling program, what we want to accomplish at certain points in time, allow us apply for grants because we have established a program and they can see that if they give us the money, we can project over a long period of time where that money is going. The impetus for this master plan in the parks, which we haven't had in many years, the last person that was Chairman of the Parks Committee, David Fusani, years ago had done a master plan. We really haven't had anything in place. Now that we are going for grant monies from the State and Federal government for work on the dam which needs it for stabilization of the banks for the work in Glen Park where the erosion is becoming a problem near the bridge area at Glen Avenue. They want to see a master plan. They want to see long range projections.

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What Mayor Daniels would like to see now, in addition to this, is also a master plan for the administrative offices, the long range plan. Even though we are totally computerized now for the next generation of computerization, we are going to be replacing those units in the court this coming budget year and upgrading that system and he would like to work with Administrator Cummins and develop a long range plan all geared for the year 2000 in that area too. That gives us more of a chance for the grants that we will be applying through SARA which is the dealing with record keeping and also in the future we may be able to immediately file on microfilm through a scanner all the Board minutes as they occur which will make bookkeeping easier but it all has to do with knowing where you are at. We did the same thing with Historic Preservation. In order to become a local government approved advisory Board we had to meet certain stipulations and he has answered all those questions that the State asked us in order to apply for some preservation money and hopefully we will become a certified local government recognized by the State which will open up more preservation money for us too in the Village. That really is the key to stabilizing the Village area. The idea is to keep property values as high as possible. You always want to be able to sell your house for lots more than you paid. You want a place that would sell for \$20,000 in the City of Buffalo to cost \$80,000 or \$90,000 here. One of the ways they found is through Historic Preservation. They have done studies in the Baltimore area that has shown that in preservation districts, the real estate values increase 40% to 50% faster than the surrounding areas that were not preservation districts. Along those lines, we are working to create the entire Village area as a preservation district. It's a large task but he thinks we are chipping away at it and may be very successful at that. There are several phases of that which we are already looking into which will be exciting in the future.

Bruce Luchen, 7891 Clinton Street, Elma, asked specifically what agencies provide this grant money.

Mayor Daniels stated the grants that we apply for, we obtained a grant writer through Robert Miller and Associates who works on a fee basis to apply for any areas that we feel that could use extra funding. The general sources are all of the trust funds that are administered privately and also publicly. A lot of the money trickles down from the Federal government to the State and we apply through Parks and Recreation for Historic Preservation in parks types of things. We apply through records management areas. It is a State program. One of our Village residents, Jim Tammaro, is the Regional Coordinator for grants having to do with record keeping and he is helping us along through that. It is State money that generally is meant to be a matching type formula or an incentive. A lot of it is technical assistance too. We always try to tap into that kind of thing to lower the cost of whatever we are trying to do.

Jim Tricoli, 4 Columbia Drive, asked how long have we had the grant writers on staff.

Trustee Piazza stated he thinks it is about a year now.

Mr. Tricoli asked how many grants have we received so far.

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Mayor Daniels stated we have applied for tons. We have received one grant which was through the Small Business Administration for trees.

Mr. Tricoli asked roughly how much was that.

Mayor Daniels stated it was \$2,850.

Mr. Tricoli asked if the Village is paying the grant writers. They work on commission?

Mayor Daniels stated no grant writers work for a commission basis.

Mr. Tricoli stated the one at the Williamsville School system does. Is that the same deal?

Mayor Daniels stated no. We do not.

Mr. Tricoli asked if the Village pays these gentlemen.

Mayor Daniels stated the Village pays the firm so much a quarter.

Mr. Tricoli asked how much does the Village roughly pay them.

Mayor Daniels stated \$3,000.

Mr. Tricoli asked if they have produced \$2,800 in grants so far?

Mayor Daniels stated so far. It is to be noted that a lot of these are long range grants. They take some time. That was a very small one from the Small Business Administration. The usual application is for between twenty and a hundred thousand dollars. Even for one of those to come through, it more than pays for several years of the grant writer services.

ON MOTION by Trustee Hillebrand, seconded by Trustee Piazza, it was moved to close the public hearing at 8:04 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

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Absent Yvonne Kaye, Trustee

Also Present: Sherry Brink, Recording Secretary

Mayor Daniels called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:40 P.M.

ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Hillebrand, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held January 9, 1995 1994 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Piazza, seconded by Trustee Lowther, it was moved to open a public hearing of the Board of Trustees regarding a proposed water rate increase per Section 107-9A of the Village Water Code. (The public hearing closed at 7:45 p.m.)

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Piazza, seconded by Trustee Lowther, it was moved to open a public hearing of the Board of Trustees regarding a proposed Recreational Mater Plan for the Parks in the Village of Williamsville. (The public hearing closed at 8:04 p.m.)

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Piazza, vouchers in the amount of \$68,789.99 covering 01/06/95 - 01/19/95 were approved:

Payroll fund w/e 01/07/95	\$20,937.10
General fund	37,633.62
Water fund	1,516.31
Sewer fund	1,086.72
Glen Park	313.43
Trust & Agency fund	7,041.81
Risk Retention	<u>261.00</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$68,789.99</u>

Large Vouchers:

Material Solutions, Inc.	\$6,150.44
American Ref-fuel of Niagara	7,455.14

Unanimously carried.

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

WHEREAS the next general Village election for officers will be held on March 21, 1995 and

WHEREAS no person shall be entitled to vote at any Village election whose name does not appear on the register of the Election District in which he claims to be entitled to vote, and,

WHEREAS it is the duty of the inspectors of election to prepare such register of qualified voters for the district for which they are appointed, and

WHEREAS the Village Board has determined that in-person registration shall be held for the upcoming election.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the inspectors of election shall meet on the 11th day of March 1995 at the village Clerk's Office, 5565 Main Street, beginning at 12:00 noon and ending at 5:00 P.M. to commence the preparation of the register for the forthcoming Village election and,

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FURTHER RESOLVED that at least ten (10) days prior to registration day set in this resolution, a copy shall be posted in at least one conspicuous public place in each election district.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED THAT the Board of Trustees of the Village of Williamsville has determined that more than one-half of the voters qualified to vote at the forthcoming election for the Village officers were registered at the last preceding general election; that taking registration for the forthcoming election will be accomplished more efficiently and economically at a single place and by a single board of inspectors of registration; and it hereby appoints Charlotte Jurek, and Ethel Henning as a single Board of Inspectors to conduct registration for such forthcoming election for each of the three election districts.

The compensation of inspectors shall be \$5.00 per hour and Ethel Henning shall be Chairman of Registration. Registration for the forthcoming election shall be conducted on March 11, 1995 from noon until 5:00 P.M. at the office of the Village Clerk, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED THAT the following be and they hereby are appointed inspectors of election and alternates for the General Election of the Village of Williamsville to be held on March 21, 1995 to be paid at a fee of \$45.00 each:

District #1 Inspectors - Peggy Andrews Coutlakis, Chair
Norma Flynn
Mary Wetzel
Marion Blocher

District #2 Inspectors - Ethel Henning, Chair.
June Cucinotta
Mary Thomson
Rita Andrews

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District #3 Inspectors - Charlotte Jurek, Chair.
Eugene Skelly
Eleanore Horey
David Mason

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following are appointed alternate inspectors: Robert Thoms, Chester Yauchzy, Rhoda Zent

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Ethel Henning is the Chairman of the Election Inspectors, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in the event of absence or inability of any of the above to serve, the Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a substitute.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated his next resolution deals with the Village Administrator, Theresa Cummins, going to a conference. She is listed on the program, as has been our custom for probably six months now as an Administrator's report area, usually after all the reports have been filed. Mayor Daniels asked Administrator Cummins to explain what types of things she is going to this conference for.

Administrator Cummins stated this is the 16th annual conference of the New York State Government Finance Officer's Association of which she is a member and also a member of the Western Council. The topics to be covered are all accounting topics and economic topics ranging from Senate and Assembly and legislative updates, investment options, financial reporting, variable rates for investments, compensated absences, property taxes, initiative for the new State Administration and shared services, saving tax payers' dollars through intergovernmental cooperation.

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

RESOLVED that Theresa L. Cummins, Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer, is hereby authorized to attend the 16th Annual New York State GFOA Conference in Albany, New York from March 22-24, 1995 and the cost, not to exceed \$500.00 to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Lowther, it was moved to suspend the rules for additional resolutions not on the agenda.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated this resolution has to do with the County's yearly struggle over that 8% sales tax. Years ago as some of us may recall, we only paid 7% on things we purchased. They added another percent to cover the costs of running the County government. They have to discuss that every year because it is not a permanent sales tax. Four percent of the eight percent is shared by the villages, towns and cities in the County; however that eight percent is not. We've always maintained that they really need to share that with the other municipalities within the County and rightly so. If they adhere to the laws in the books, they would be sharing that. They never have. We are, again, asking them first of all to look into lowering that 8% by trimming their budget so that they don't need to charge that 8% or at least some of it but if they do, to share it equally between all of the other municipalities and that would help us defray a lot of the expenses that occur in the Village.

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

Re: The reduction of sales tax in Erie County, and the sharing of the additional percentage with cities, towns, villages and school districts.

WHEREAS, the burden of taxes has increased significantly in Erie County, as we have endured a 64% increase since 1989 and the proceeds generated from it were wholly dedicated to Erie County Government, and

WHEREAS, there is still time to reshape county fiscal policy by eliminating the 575 funded, but vacant positions presently in its budget, and applying the savings resulting from reduced debt service, and completed payment of the Dorned Stadium lawsuit, and

WHEREAS, relief from record-breaking tax burdens should be the primary objective for all local governments,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Executive and Erie County Legislature formulate specific procedures to effectuate the reduction of the sales tax, and immediately implement the sharing of all remaining proceeds over 7 percent with the cities, towns, villages, and school districts of Erie County.

Unanimously carried.

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Trustee Lowther stated her resolution is to add two new members to the Hutchinson Hose Fire Department. This will bring our current contingent up to 65 members which is the maximum they can have; however, the Fire Chief has notified her that there are going to be a couple people resigning or retiring so there will be some openings in the near future again

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

RESOLVED THAT the Village Board, Acting as the Fire Commissioners of the Williamsville Fire Department, hereby appoint the following as firefighters in the Williamsville Fire Department:

Fayyaz Barodawala	381 Troy Del Way
John Sitarski	49 Arty Drive

Unanimously carried.

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

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Piazza reported the Parks Committee is normally kind of quiet during the winter. At the moment we have an ice rink that is in process of being brought back to skating potential. We spent some time on it last week. He thinks we sealed up any of the spots that may have had a rip or two from when the ice was thin three weeks ago and now we are just going to be starting to put some layers of water on it this week. We are going to keep the tape around it until we are sure that it is suitable for skating. It will probably be at least 8-10 days before it will be suitable if the weather cooperates. If it doesn't, it may extend beyond that. We're hoping we can really have it ready at least for the weekend of February 4th and 5th when the Youth Committee has its event, mostly at Glen Park anyway. That is being worked on. There is going to be a special budget meeting just for the Parks but anyone can attend it on February 1st. It is not on the schedule. Because we had that February 3rd deadline, we are going to have a special budget meeting.

Trustee Piazza reported that planning for Savor the Flavor will begin at our next February meeting. It should be the third week in February. We have things that will be picking up as the weather starts clearing in late winter, early spring.

Trustee Piazza reported the Local Government Advisory Board will have a meeting this Wednesday, the 25th. We will be discussing water. One item on water- he has had a couple meetings with Administrator Cummins, Superintendent Laubisch and Don Dehn, our water expert, and out of those came a couple of letters a couple of months ago. One of those letters, he was quite surprised that we had such a positive response.

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We had written a letter to the Town asking them to upgrade the amount they allow the Village for sewage coming into the Village from outside the Village and the Town said yes, we will allow you eight million more gallons credit starting immediately and that means the Village is going to be able to save \$21,000 in sewage costs this next year. He is not sure how that will impact sewage rates as of right now but it sure beats a poke in the eye. In addition, Administrator Cummins intends to write the Town to see if something can be done about past years. He can't really promise anything on that at the moment, but there is potential for further credits from the Town of Amherst Sewage Treatment Plant along those lines. So we are hopeful that continuing to bang away at sewage and water problems will continue to bring us some improvements. There was other information that came out of that meeting but he really didn't type up a memo to the Board yet and he doesn't want to surprise Board members until they have seen it in writing so he won't say too much else about what went on at the meeting, not that it is a secret, but he just hasn't typed it up yet.

Trustee Piazza stated his first resolution involves grant writing again. Arvela Heider, Administrator Cummins and Jim Tamaro, who works for the State, came here. Seeing that he lives in the Village, he gave us a little extra time. Trustee Piazza went over with them all the ins and outs of putting together the grant application for this specific item. Its goal is to reduce some of our archival records overload and turn it into microfilm. We are moving in that direction but it takes money to do these kinds of things.

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

WHEREAS, the New York State Archives and Records Administration offers a grant program to assist local governments with the administration of municipal records; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to inventory inactive records series for the purposes of locating, identifying and describing records and using this information to conduct initial records disposition, determine records management needs, and develop a long-term records management plan;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Robert J. Miller and Associates, the Village's grant consultants, be authorized and directed to complete the necessary application, forms, etc. to be submitted to the New York State Archives and Records Administration for the purpose of securing a grant in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all matching requirements will be met utilizing in-kind services, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute all documents pertaining to the application and acquisition of said funding.

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Unanimously carried.

Trustee Piazza stated his next resolution involves the hearing that we just had. There were no objections to the proposal placed before the public. This concerns a water rate increase that we just had a public hearing on earlier. We were caught short handed by Erie County Water Authority and we had to react quickly in order to avoid losing some money in the next few weeks.

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

RESOLVED the Water Rates are hereby increased as follows, effective immediately:

\$.13 per M gallons (Inside Village)
\$.20 per M gallons (Outside Village)

Minimum billing 4,000 gallons

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Lowther reported Wednesday, as well as the Local Government Advisory Board, meeting here in Village Hall, there is also going to be a meeting of the Glen Park Education Committee. They are going to be doing some work on seeing how they are going to distribute the latest grant money the Village received and how we are going to utilize that next year to increase our nature programs in the Noll Nature Center in Glen Park. That will begin at 7:00 p.m. here on Wednesday. The Glen Park Joint Board meeting will be held here in Village Hall on February 7th at 7:30 p.m.

Trustee Lowther stated her first resolution deals with a State grant that is going to be applied for through the Erie County recycling share of their grants.

Mayor Daniels stated it is the allocated County.

Trustee Lowther stated it was the County allocation for recycling.

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

Resolution Authorizing the Filing of an Application for a state Grant-In-Aid for Resource Recovery and/or Source Separation/Recycling Equipment for a Municipal Solid Waste Management Project and Signing of the associated State Contract, Under the Appropriate Laws of New York State.

WHEREAS, the State of New York provides financial aid for resource recovery equipment, source separation equipment, or both, for the implementation of small-scale, low technology approaches to resource recovery; and

WHEREAS the Village of Williamsville herein call the MUNICIPALITY, has examined and duly considered the applicable laws of the State of New York and the MUNICIPALITY deems it to be in the public interest and benefit to file an application under these laws; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a Contract by and between THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, herein called the STATE, and the MUNICIPALITY be executed for such STATE Aid;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Trustees

1. That the filing of an application in the form required by the State of New York in conformity with the applicable laws of the State of New York including all understanding and assurances contained in said application is hereby authorized.

2. That the Mayor is directed and authorized as the official representative of the MUNICIPALITY to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required and to sign the resulting contract if said application is approved by the STATE;

3. That the MUNICIPALITY agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of said Solid Waste Management Project.

4. That the MUNICIPALITY or MUNICIPALITIES set forth their respective responsibilities by attached joint resolution relative to a joint solid Waste Recovery and Management Project.

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5. That five (5) Certified Copies of this Resolution be prepared and sent to the NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, ALBANY, NEW YORK 12233-4015, together with a complete application.

6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Trustee Lowther commented that this is earmarked to help provide the funding we need for the cold storage building that is to be built for the Village.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Lowther stated her second resolution has to do with the purchase of uniforms for the Fire Department. Our Fire Department has had the same uniform for many years. If you have seen them in the parades, they wear the white pants with the bright red shirts and the black caps. It's come to the Board's attention that it is time to really change them. They were probably designed and functional back in the fifties or early sixties. She thinks at this point it is time to update them. They are very excited to have new uniforms, hopefully by Memorial Day. That is the date we are shooting for. So we are going to be advertising for bids for the purchase of the uniforms.

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

RESOLVED that the Village Administrator is hereby authorized to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of Uniforms for the Williamsville Fire Department to be opened in the Village Clerk's office, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, on Friday, February 3, 1995 at 2:00 P.m. under the terms of the standard bidding resolution.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Lowther stated her last resolution authorizes several of our Williamsville firemen to attend an Instructors Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. She thinks these conferences and instructions that they receive from these outside meetings that they attend is really important and keeps them up to date on what they need to do in order to better serve our community.

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

RESOLVED that Williamsville firemen, James J. Zymanek, D. Anthony Schueckler, Jr., Thomas Ratzel and Michael Meldrum are hereby authorized to attend the Fire Department Instructors Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana from February 2-8, 1995 and the cost not to exceed \$500.00 each to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Daniels stated it is his understanding that the uniforms will be ready for the Memorial Day Parade, which it would be great to see them out there with the coats and everything that they never really had.

Trustee Hillebrand reported this past week the Village of Williamsville acted as a host for the Environmental Committee of the County of Erie. The Mayor made a few introductory remarks and we had twenty or so members from various villages and towns in all of Erie County. The topic of conversation was the subject of ethylene glycol from the airport, which has been a matter of interest to our citizens for some time. The presentation was made by the NFTA. The Village has been concerned and Village residents are getting concerned about ethylene glycol in the creek. Ethylene glycol is used to de-ice airplanes and the airport uses over 500,000 gallons of ethylene glycol each year and they put it on the ground because they have no other place to put it. Village residents have noted ethylene glycol in the creek and have brought this to the Board's attention. There is quite a bit of debate pro and con about the issue and the significance of the issue. Fortunately, ethylene glycol is a biodegradable item. It has no lasting residue and is not normally treated as a toxic waste into the waste stream; however, if it is in your backyard, it is a problem, regardless of toxic or not. What the NFTA man had to say, Trustee Hillebrand referred to the map on the wall, the airport is directly below Williamsville, if you were looking at that very carefully you would see that the place where the commercial transportation and aircraft is in the southern portion towards the bottom of the map. Almost all of the ethylene glycol use occurs in that area to the commercial aircraft coming and going in the Village and into the Buffalo area. All of that ethylene glycol drains to the south and enters into Buffalo Creek which may be a serious problem for the people of Buffalo but is not a problem to us. From our own parochial point of view, we are interested in the private area, which is way on the north end of the map on the runway which runs north, west, south, east up there in that little corner and is called Prior Aviation. This is where private airplanes are used. Only some 10% of all the glycol used is kept stored and used in that area. That glycol then drains into Ellicott Creek which runs right by there, directly by that location and then under the expressway and into our area. What NFTA is doing is they are starting to build a holding facility and they have purchased sweepers which look like converted street sweepers with the brushes in the front and it will sweep up the glycol and put it in this holding tank. The holding tank will be put on Cayuga next to the Sierra facility.

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This work is to begin in March of this year and by the end of 1995 the ethylene glycol, with the exceptions of small amounts which might run off because it is raining or snowing at the time, but essentially the problem will be resolved and it will not be a matter of concern to us. The fluid will be put in a large holding tank. The holding tank, in turn, will be emptied into the City of Buffalo sewer system and the NFTA will pay a special tax for the handling of that fluid. So the good news is that this problem to the Village is occurring even as we speak because they are de-icing airplanes this very day. It is as not serious for our concern as it is for Buffalo at large but it will be greatly decreased and improved in this coming year. The NFTA showed us the contracts, spoke confidently that the work was underway and gave a lot of positive indications. This matter was of grave interest to all the people in this and all the people downstream from Ellicott Creek who are reasonably and logically concerned and Buffalo Creek for that matter.

Trustee Hillebrand stated while we are looking at the map he wanted to bring up the subject of trees. If you look at the Village, which is north of the expressway and compare it with Cheektowaga which is in the lower left hand corner, you can see the dramatic difference in the number of trees. We have this Johnny Appleseed person up here for the last many years. The people from all over Erie County when we were discussing this chart noticed because it is very dramatic because you could see Amherst to the north up there above Maple and you can see Cheektowaga in the lower left hand corner. The Village truly has a remarkable and that has been a conscientious effort of many Boards over many years and we fully intend to keep that up in years in the future. We want Williamsville to be known for its trees. We have a grant and we have a tree warden. The Village is recognized by all in Erie County and of course, us, and we are conscience and serious in working at that problem.

Trustee Hillebrand reported on January 31st there will be a Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting held here. If anyone wants further information, he would be pleased to offer that.

Superintendent of Public Works, David Laubisch, reported last Friday, January 20th, we received a call at the DPW at 7:20 a.m. that there was debris out on the second block of Highland Drive between Scott and Oakgrove. The person that called in didn't leave a response number or address. All the debris that was out curbside on the second block had been called in to be picked up so that later on sometime Friday afternoon that debris was removed. We've had problems when people put debris out and do not call the DPW. That was not the case last Friday. That debris that was out was called in, registered on our pick up list and was picked up on that day.

Mr. Laubisch commented on Christmas tree chipping. We will be chipping Christmas trees through the end of the month. The snow we had in the very beginning of January put us a little bit behind schedule. We had an equipment breakdown last week; although minor, it required the machine being off the road approximately 2 1/2 to 3 days, the chipper that we actually chip the trees with. We will be chipping Christmas trees through the end of the month of January and after that the Christmas trees will be treated like any other type of debris pickup. You have to call the DPW and let them know that it is there and weather permitting, the DPW will come around and chip it. It still will be chipped but its not cost effective to have the chipper go out and cover the Village if there are one or two trees to be picked up.

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Because of some of the weather conditions and some of the trees were buried in snow banks early on in January due to Mother Nature, so we will be chipping through the end of the month.

Mr. Laubisch stated the mild weather has triggered some on-street night parking. If a resident's car is out there and the DPW is trying to plow the streets in the middle of the night, we will call the police to come and ticket the vehicle because it makes the DPW's job a lot easier when there are no cars on the road. He knows we have had some 50 and 60 degree weather but it is illegal to park on the street from November 1st to April 1st during the winter months.

Trustee Lowther asked about the mulch that is being chipped from the Christmas trees, it is available to Village residents free of charge, correct?

Mr. Laubisch stated correct, that is stored in the rear of the Lehigh Memory Trail by the old rail station and anybody is welcome to as much of it as they can use. Right now there is probably 15 to 20 yards of tree mulch and if the Village residents can't utilize it all, we have a local nursery that uses it during their nursery operations.

Trustee Lowther stated it is great for Rodedendrums and Azaleas.

Mr. Laubisch stated yes, it is very acidic mulch so it is very specific in its use so if anybody is going to use any of it, they should inquire about the type of plant they would be putting it around to make sure that it requires a more acidic type mulch.

Mayor Daniels stated there were two items on the agenda regarding traffic in the community. As we know there is going to be a signal at Essjay and Evans installed fairly soon. The concern has been noted to the County that there is a driveway going into Drexel Hill Apartments right at the northeast corner of Essjay and Evans that they intended to close. That would create a problem for the Fire Department as well as the people who live in Drexel Hill who want to get into Drexel Hill. Our recommendation through the Fire Department and Chief Zymanek was that they either do not close that and make it a one-way in situation or look into putting another driveway in that area off of Essjay and we are going to continue pushing for that as an alternative to this driveway that they are going to close when that signal goes up.

Trustee Piazza asked which alternative are they going to follow.

Mayor Daniels stated they are probably not going to do the one-way in. That is his understanding. The other traffic topic was with College Park which had a hearing for the disapproval of the zoning change and the proposal of the College Park area for office park. He knows that Trustee Lowther and Trustee Piazza attended as well as the Williamsville Southeast Amherst Homeowners Association president Wally Pacer. Mayor Daniels got there a little too late and they were on another topic. He understands they did go to great lengths and concerns were expressed regarding the need, especially for the County, to improve the drainage area and the traffic flow around that area.

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Trustee Piazza stated he thinks that the very length of the meeting and the number of people who spoke had an impact on the Board. He doesn't think the Board will lightly address this issue and he is glad of that. He still feels that the Village and the Town have to pressure the County concerning that storm sewer line. It's just not adequate. He is hoping that somehow, between the two municipalities, something can be done before College Park is finished.

Trustee Lowther asked Trustee Piazza if he thinks the Town is not going to okay that.

Trustee Piazza stated no, he thinks they won't do it out of hand. He thinks they will be very careful and make sure that they try to address the concerns that were expressed there. He is glad there were so many speakers for that reason.

Trustee Lowther stated she is liaison to Traffic and Safety and we had a real concern about the ability of Village residents to cross Garrison Road at Wehrle, especially young kids who are going up to Garrison Park. She would not want to cross it herself, personally. It's just a horrendous area to try and get through there. She thinks it is coming to the point where we really have to look for a signal in that area so that people can cross it. We have a lot of people who walk, jog, there are kids riding bikes. She thinks it is absolutely crucial that something happen to that particular area before someone has a serious accident, especially pedestrians. The cars seem to go through there, cars seem to know that when they get there everybody just sort of stops and looks at everybody else. It one of the politest intersections she has ever seen. She would hate to lose that but she thinks we are really putting our pedestrians at risk and she has a real problem with that. The other thing that she did mention during her remarks was that she had concerns with the sewer that goes along Wehrle Drive. It's owned and controlled by Erie County and it is inadequate right now for the service it utilizes for the Village and it needs to be addressed and the County has got to take a look at it. This Board spoke before the last Village Board meeting and we were unanimous in our agreement that we do not feel that there should be any building on that parcel until the sewer issue is addressed and resolved to the point that the Village feels that its residents will not have additional storm water sewer problems. It was interesting to note that the Mayor had sent a letter to the Supervisor several weeks ago after an initial conversation with them and in it inadvertently misstated that the Village Board was unanimous in its approval of the rezoning request that is being put forward before the Town of Amherst at this point. The attorney for the developer was very specific and very adamant and stated several times that the Village Board was unanimous in their approval that this rezoning take place. So the first thing that she addressed when she got up to speak was the fact that the Village Board was not unanimous and had never discussed the fact that this rezoning should or should not happen. We were just addressing specific concerns on behalf of the residents of the Village because this development butts up to the back of their properties. She was very clear on the record that the first sentence of the letter that she had discussed with Mayor Daniels, wasn't what they had discussed and that we did have continued concerns and they are very much aware of it at this point.

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Mayor Daniels stated he did say he was in support of the zoning change from multiple housing to office because of the implications of the multiple housing. We were all in agreement on that, that the change of use from multiple housing to office was a good change for the better. That is all he said in that letter. It may have been misconstrued by others to approve the entire project but in actual fact of what was printed, there was nothing to have anyone say anymore than what he-it was being misinterpreted. Mayor Daniels wants to make it clear that he didn't overstep anything that the Board had discussed. He only said that he liked the change of use.

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

Unanimously carried.

Robert Rude, 5823 Main Street, questioned Trustee Hillebrand about the ethylene glycol. Trustee Hillebrand said that it wasn't toxic. What effects does it have on our creek water. Does it smell different, does it look different?

Trustee Hillebrand stated ethylene glycol is not considered a toxic chemical. That doesn't mean you should drink it because it is poisonous and you will die. Ethylene glycol is an alcohol derivative and there are those unusual persons that if they run out of regular alcohol will try it. He knows Mr. Rude wouldn't try it. First you go blind and then you die. It is biodegradable meaning that it very quickly breaks down in the environment into a lot of other harmless chemicals in a matter of a few hours. What happens is the NFTA made continuous measurements of the water quality of the creek near the airport. As you watch the measurements, by the time it arrives here at the dam right out here in Island Park, the ethylene glycol drops to a few parts per billion which is we are approaching the inability of the meter to measure that. So that if you are closer to the airport on those days when they are actually spraying for airplanes, you can get quantities as high as 5 parts per million and by the time it gets down here it is 5 parts per billion. At certain concentrations it is very bad for creatures and they die but at 5 parts per billion there is no registered difficulty, no one has registered a complaint. Sometimes you see a froth on the water. Ethylene glycol is also known as antifreeze and if you dump it on your driveway you get that sheen that you see sometimes on the water. But if the water is flowing fast, as it does in our area, it doesn't do that because there is enough natural mixture of the water.

Mr. Rude asked about the company that is going to clean this up, what are going to do about the ethylene already in the creek?

Trustee Hillebrand stated nothing. It is all long gone.

Mr. Rude asked if it doesn't keep flowing in there.

Trustee Hillebrand stated yes, everyday they de-ice the airplanes, like today, there is ethylene glycol flowing in our creek right now as we speak and it will continue to do that until summer comes or they put the holding tank in.

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Mayor Daniels stated the point is that it changes form into chemicals that are not dangerous.

Trustee Hillebrand stated they only do it when they are de-icing airplanes. It is not something they do day in and day out around the clock. Our creek is only affected by the private aircraft and there isn't that much.

Mr. Rude stated he is sure there are places closer to the airport that are more concentrated.

Trustee Hillebrand stated that is a true statement.

Mr. Rude asked if any of that is going to be seeping into the ground and getting into the ground water system.

Trustee Hillebrand stated no. Fortunately there is no evidence of that. The way the airport is drained, the airport is drained directly into the creek itself through culverts and drainage systems where it comes off the runways and goes directly into the creek not into the ground water. However, if it went into the ground, it does break down in a short period of time, in a matter of a few hours. It's not like motor oils or transmission oils which also break down but have a long stay time, a few months even.

Wally Pacer, 87 Monroe, stated having heard the explanation of that December 17, 1994 letter, yes, he was at the hearing last Tuesday for the Town Board and there were a heck of a lot of people speaking in opposition to the proposed rezoning or certainly for restrictions upon the rezoning and most of them were Village residents. He thinks it is a non-partisan issue and thinks that this Village should make its position clear on the record and apparently it wasn't clear. Mayor Daniels' memo of December 17th to Supervisor Ahern which says we whole heartily endorse the proposed 26 acre office building rezoning. Just by virtue of Mayor Daniels' comments tonight, he suggests that this Board do something to clarify that in writing and perhaps, because it was his understanding that if Mayor Daniels wasn't go to be able to be there last Tuesday and he understands that Mayor Daniels had another commitment, that there would be something sent to Supervisor Ahern clarifying this Board's position as he understood it to be from the last meeting was this Board felt there should be no construction, if indeed a new rezoning goes through until such time as not just one, the Board has accentuated the storm sewer problem and certainly that is something to be accentuated but also the issue of traffic. He has tried to make that a main issue as well because he thinks it is an issue near and dear to all Southeast Amherst residents but in particular, Williamsville residents. The area around Wehrle, Garrison and Youngs is worse by the day. As he understands it, there are six, seven or eight other major projects scheduled for this area, most of which have been approved, some of which are still in the planning stages but other projects over and above College Park. The traffic is bad now. Every traffic study that has been mentioned says the traffic is going to get worse and it's only going to get worse yet when the numerous other projects come on line for whatever time span they predicted to do so.

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He asks this Board as a unison explain what it meant by this December 17th letter to Supervisor Ahern, especially since it was mentioned prominently by Attorney Anthony Rinaldo and his remarks before the Board in favor of the rezoning. Mr. Pacer thinks it is appropriate, it should be done. There is only a 30 day comment period, which he thinks ends about February 16th. He thinks the Board should do it. If it needs any further information, the Homeowners Association is willing to provide whatever assistance it can to help this Board, to join with this Board in pushing for these much needed restrictions on the rezoning.

Mayor Daniels commented that if you take that one sentence out of the context of the rest of the letter, it's an unfair excerpting of what the entire letter said. The entire letter went on to state that we had some serious concerns about the drainage especially from that facility. He does have two letters in response to that letter and he has had subsequent conversations with Supervisor Ahern, also the County and Paul Bowers, the head Engineer for the Town of Amherst. The one from Supervisor Ahern in response to Mayor Daniels' letter says "I would like to thank you for the suggestions you offered on the drainage problems connected with the proposed College Park site and for the matter and the cooperative efforts you have put forth on this matter. Enclosed is the most recent correspondence received from William Coughlin in our Engineering Department regarding this subject matter. I will continue to keep you informed" The second letter was from Bill Coughlin regarding Mayor Daniels' letter again. "In his letter Mayor Daniels presented an idea to lower the storm sewer along Wehrle Drive. This would enable the tiling of the outfall ditch along Hirschfield Drive from the College Park retention ponds. I will be contacting the Erie County Highway Department to ascertain a time schedule for reconstruction of Wehrle Drive and whether or not consideration will be made for storm sewer reconstruction as part of this project. If it is included, the Town would like to work with them to alleviate existing drainage problems; however, the reconstruction will probably occur after the rezoning and subsequent site plan review has been processed. I will inform you of any information I receive from the County. If you have any questions, please call". Mayor Daniels did have questions and he called Bill Cogan and said you know, this letter was December 21st and he knows that Mr. Cogan has contacted the County, what was their response? Mr. Cogan said we still have not had a response. This was late last week. Mayor Daniels said will you please contact and have Paul Bowers contact the County to find out what their intentions are in the very near future regarding Wehrle Drive and the reconstruction of that road, the improvements of the intersection at Garrison and the drainage problems from College Park to Garrison. Mr. Cogan said he would do that and have an answer back by the middle of this week. If that is not satisfactory, then we go to the next step. Mayor Daniels stated he thinks we are really over emphasizing the opening sentence in his letter and the true intent has to be from reading the total contents and it did affect the changes that he wanted to suggest in this project. What we have to do and you can't blame changes in administration on this, you can't blame the Town totally on this or the Village but the County has a real problem and they do not do the infrastructure improvements, especially in their roads and sewers and bridges that they really need to do. They leave money sitting in the budget. There is over four million dollars in the highway budget. Right now it is coming to the end of the year and they still haven't spent it, why not? There's tons of improvements that could be done. It is interesting to note that when they put Ingram Micro in, in a matter of hours Dennis Gorski approved \$200,000 to widen the road right there in front of Ingram Micro.

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It goes no where and it narrows right back down to the two lanes on either side. Where did that \$200,000 come from overnight? Don't tell him that there is not money there. It's very frustrating to work for the County. It took Mayor Daniels years and years and administrations before him to get Garrison Road repaved. And at that they didn't do the right job. They still didn't address the under drainage problem which causes that road to disintegrate and it will in a matter of a few years from now. It will look as bad as it did six months ago again. It's just very difficult to work with them but we need to apply pressure and we want to do that in unison with the Town. Supervisor Ahern wants to try the soft approach first. Mayor Daniels is giving him the opportunity to do that. He knows it will be a learning experience for Supervisor Ahern but the next step is to apply even more pressure in a stronger way on the County.

Trustee Lowther stated she thinks it is important that we, as a Board, draft something before the end of the 30 day public hearing period just restating our position and saying that we are unanimous in our approval, which is what she understood at our last meeting, that construction not go forward until the drainage and/or the traffic concerns are addressed.

Mayor Daniels stated he wanted to tie that in with what the Town was going to do. They are on the same page with us as far as he can tell in regards to solving these problems. Every conversation he has had with them, whether it is Pat Lucey's department, the Engineering Department or the administration over there, has had the same agenda in improving that area. It just doesn't make sense for them to be otherwise at this point. By the end of the week, Mayor Daniels thinks we will have some movement on this, one way or the other and then he would like to in unison, with a separate letter from the Village Board but also with a letter from the Town, insisting on these improvements to the County. It makes a much more stronger front than doing something disjointed from them. If we could, it would still be in that 30 day period but he would like to get our forces really joined together correctly and have made the proper advances first.

Maryanne Avery, 64 Garrison Road, stated she was talking to the Planning Department this afternoon and was rather curious as to why there was a memo sent between, written by Marilyn Wall and Joe Gillings December 29th saying that the neighbors were only concerned about esthetics and the size which the Mayor and the Town are willing to wait five to ten years for the County to get around to fixing things. Whatever would be decided, would be tied to site plan. It's absolutely unacceptable to us to have any agreements or femoral agreements tied to site plan. We've been through this before. It cost us \$10,000. Tying something to site plan means absolutely no guarantee that anybody is going to consider the neighborhood whatsoever. They are going to dismiss it because the Town Board has no control. Once it leaves the Town Board, whatever is done is up to the Planning Board. It's political or whatever. They don't have to do anything they don't want to do. If what we want are legal guarantees, these things will be done and we want them tied so that the pace of the development of the phasing of development. Developers have said that they will not do it. That is what we want. She has talked to the County about it. They think it is a good idea. She has talked to the Planning Department about it. They think it is a good idea but they need somebody. They need more, we need some help from something bigger than our group and the County doesn't want to say anything at all and obviously it has to be the Village.

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We need the Village to say we want legal guarantees to protect our citizens. That is basically what we want both for pedestrian access for people to get across Wehrle on foot or even in car in peak hours and because of the strainedness.

Mayor Daniels stated he agrees.

Jim Tricoli, 4 Columbia Drive, stated he want to make sure he understands Mayor Daniels correctly, that even though the Town may not join the Village in the letter, he will positively will write a letter from the Village.

Mayor Daniels stated absolutely.

Mr. Tricoli stated even though they do not agree, Mayor Daniels will still write this letter to the County?

Mayor Daniels stated correct.

Mr. Tricoli stated he was spending some time today in Village Hall going through some numbers and he was looking at a vendor the Village has, Mr. Ed Youngs Hardware store. He wants to read something and then explain what he perceives as a problem. It says here in the contract that all purchase contracts involving aggregate expenditures of more than \$5,000.00 have to be bid on. What that means is you are buying different products at one store over \$5,000.00 it has to be put out to bid. This was in 1992. Now the government changed that to \$10,000.00. But he is dealing with the year 1991-1992. In 1992 we spent close to \$7,000 at Ed Youngs. The State says we cannot spend more than \$5,000.

Mayor Daniels stated there is no one purchase that was \$7,000.00. That is accumulative, correct?

Mr. Tricoli stated that is what the contract says, accumulative purchases. Accumulatively that year, the Village spent \$7,000.

Mayor Daniels stated there is nothing wrong with that.

Mr. Tricoli stated the State says there was. He contacted the State and they said it was.

Mayor Daniels asked Attorney Kelly to clarify that.

Mr. Tricoli stated he went through the files very carefully and he found several items that were purchased that were not posted. They were not on any invoice to be placed in that year's amount. Specificity again. If we are going to run a tight ship, we might start in our own house and this is one thing which isn't minor which cost us money. Mr. Tricoli asked Trustee Piazza if he had ever purchased something at Ed Youngs Hardware in the last two years that he has been a Trustee.

Trustee Piazza stated probably a couple of things.

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Mr. Tricoli asked if they were for the Village? Did Trustee Piazza ever purchase anything that wasn't for the Village that he accidentally might have said was for the Village?

Trustee Piazza stated no, he has a personal account so he also purchases stuff there.

Mr. Tricoli asked Trustee Piazza if he never signed a voucher saying it was for the Village that wasn't for the Village.

Trustee Piazza stated he is not sure what Mr. Tricoli's question is.

Mr. Tricoli stated he is trying to be clear. Did he ever purchase anything at Ed Youngs which Trustee Piazza said was for the Village but might have not been for the Village?

Trustee Piazza stated no.

Mr. Tricoli asked Trustee Piazza if he went to Ed Youngs today to buy something for this Village, what would he have to do to get that? Say he wanted to buy a hammer and check out, what does he have to show the employees to tell them that he is from the Village so they would put it on the Village's account?

Trustee Piazza stated he thinks he would rather not go through a question and answer period.

Mr. Tricoli stated it is not a question and answer period. It is a simple question. Mr. Tricoli asked Attorney Kelly if he went to Ed Youngs and bought a hammer and said he was from the Village and they charged it to the Village, did he commit a crime?

Attorney Kelly stated certainly. You're not with the Village of Williamsville.

Mr. Tricoli asked how would the employees know if he was with the Village or not?

Attorney Kelly stated he has no idea.

Mr. Tricoli stated the Board ought to shape up.

Mr. Laubisch stated the system is in place.

Mr. Tricoli stated no it isn't. It is not in place

Mr. Laubisch asked Mr. Tricoli if he is going on record saying there is no system in place for identifying account?

Mr. Tricoli stated he can do what he just said he could do.

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Mr. Laubisch stated he said there is a system in place.

Mr. Tricoli stated the system in place, does Mr. Laubisch want to explain what it is?

Mr. Laubisch stated Mr. Tricoli apparently knows all the answers. There is a system in place at Ed Youngs currently. He can quote Mr. Tricoli as saying there is no system in place for purchases.

Mr. Tricoli stated Mr. Laubisch didn't hear him quote, he heard him say there is something there.

Mr. Laubisch stated he will go with what is on the record. There is a system in place at Ed Youngs for purchases.

Mr. Tricoli stated okay, does the system have anything to do with identification?

Mr. Laubisch stated there is a system in place.

Mr. Tricoli stated that doesn't have anything to do with identification. Does Mr. Laubisch want to get wise?

Mr. Laubisch stated he is not getting wise. He is answering Mr. Tricoli's question.

Mr. Tricoli asked do you have to identify yourself as somebody from this Village to properly buy something? That is all he is asking. Do you have to identify yourself.

Mr. Laubisch stated there is a system in place.

Mr. Tricoli stated then in other words, the answer is no. Why can the Board ever answer yes or no?

Mr. Laubisch stated if he identifies the system in public- Mr. Laubisch asked Mr. Tricoli to be quiet so he could speak-anybody in this room could use it.

Mr. Tricoli stated maybe he could identify the system the way he understands it. Is that all right with Mr. Laubisch.

Mr. Laubisch stated Mr. Tricoli can do whatever he feels fit.

Mr. Tricoli stated you bring a product to the front register, they will give you a slip and ask the customer to sign it and the customer puts their name, what department and you walk out.

Mr. Laubisch stated that is wrong.

Mr. Tricoli asked if there was another system he didn't hear.

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Mr. Laubisch stated again, if he explains the system to Mr. Tricoli, anybody that is present in this room could use it and we could be extending another problem.

Mr. Tricoli asked if he could show Mr. Laubisch vouchers from Ed Youngs. Can he show the audience the vouchers from Ed Youngs. Mr. Tricoli passed the vouchers to the audience.

Administrator Cummins stated those aren't vouchers that he passed out.

Mr. Tricoli asked what are they?

Administrator Cummins stated they are sales slips.

Mr. Tricoli asked if they were signed by anybody.

Administrator Cummins stated no.

Mayor Daniels stated you need vouchers. Nothing gets paid from the Village unless there is a signed voucher for it. If it is a sales bill alone, Ed Youngs will not get paid from that.

Mr. Tricoli asked Administrator Cummins if she has vouchers for every one of those sales slips he passed out?

Administrator Cummins stated she would certainly hope so.

Mr. Tricoli stated if they weren't there today, will they be there tomorrow because they weren't there today.

Administrator Cummins stated they must have been there today.

Mr. Tricoli stated they must have been somewhere else than what she gave him. It's extremely poor housekeeping then.

Mayor Daniels stated if there was no voucher, it did not get paid.

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

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION by Mayor Daniels, seconded by Trustee Hillebrand, it was moved adjourn the meeting at 9:10 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
Village Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer