

Minutes of the Public Hearing 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 27, 1997 at 7:40 P.M.

Present: Basil J. Piazza, Mayor
Joseph Frese - Trustees
Richard Langenfeld
Barbara Schofield
William A. Wutz

Patrick Kelly, Attorney
Theresa L. Cummins, Admin./Clerk-Treas.
David Laubisch, Supt. of Public Works
Sally A. Kuzon, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

The Administrator read the Notice of Public Hearing being held for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing a proposed local law which would impose a moratorium on communication towers.

ON MOTION by Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Frese, it was moved to open the public hearing at 7:40 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Frese stated that the State of New York has regulated telecommunication towers and also dictated to local municipalities that they may not totally ban these towers. By this moratorium, we are asking for 90 days to develop a substantial code for the Village.

Trustee Frese read the proposed local law.

Attorney Kelly stated that the Village Board has directed him to draw up the code as strict as possible and still comply with federal requirements. After that has been drawn up, there will be a public hearing for residents to comment on the law as drawn. He believes we can keep them out of our residential areas and limit them only to our manufacturing area.

Barry Weinstein, 3 Culpepper road, asked how the moratorium will affect existing buildings.

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Trustee Kelly stated that everything that is up will stay there. There are no applications pending in the Village, so there will be no change in the next 90 days.

On Motion by Trustee Frese, seconded by Trustee Wutz, it was moved to close the public hearing at 7:45 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

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Patrick Kelly, Village Attorney
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Mayor Piazza opened the meeting at 7:33 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor read a Proclamation in Praise of the National Association of Women in Construction. This group encourages women to take jobs in non-traditional industries. (Copy attached)

ON MOTION by Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, the minutes of the regular meeting of January 13, 1997 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, the minutes of the public hearing on a proposed water rate increase held on January 13, 1997 were approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Frese, it was moved at 7:40 P.M. to open a public hearing being held for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing a proposed local law regarding a moratorium on Communication Towers. (The public hearing was closed at 7:45 P.M.)

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, it was moved to suspend rules for public participation.

Unanimously carried.

Mary Lowther, 120 N. Ellicott Street, asked about the street light situation on her street.

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

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Piazza reported on the following:

1) He has been asked to co-host a breakfast for the Boy Scouts in
April. This will be a fund raiser for the Boy Scouts of the Town
of Amherst. Trustee Langenfeld has agreed to be co-chair.

2) The Meeting House Steeple has been constructed and has been
moved to a site behind the Meeting House. He invited residents to
look at it while it is still on the ground. It will be erected
shortly and then we will ask that the building be declared an
official historic site.

3) We are in the process of looking for a grant writing company.
We have proposals from three companies and will be interviewing
them shortly.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, the following
resolution was adopted:

Vouchers in the amount of \$95,599.35 covering the period from
January 10, 1997 - January 23, 1997 were approved as follows:

Payroll fund w/e	1/18/97	\$ 31,419.65
General Fund		32,480.66
Water Fund		2,491.98
Sewer Fund		7,280.47
Glen Park		374.87
Trust & Agency Fund		11,323.85
Community Development		<u>10,227.87</u>
Grand Total		<u>\$ 95,599.35</u>

Large Vouchers:

O'Brien & Gere Engineers Inc.	10,227.87
Heinz F. Maier, Inc.	4,350.00

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ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, the following resolution was 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 the three election districts.

The compensation of inspectors shall be \$5.50 per hour and Ethel Henning shall be Chairman of Registration. Registration for the forthcoming election shall be conducted on March 8, 1997 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 Piazza, seconded by Trustee Frese, the following resolution was 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 18, 1997 to be paid at a fee of \$49.50 each:

District #1 - Williamsville Methodist Church
5681 Main Street
Williamsville, New York 14221

Inspectors - Rita Andrews, Chair.
Eugene Skelly
Eleanor Horey
Mary Wetzel

District #2 - Village Hall
5565 Main Street
Williamsville, New York 14221

Inspectors - Ethel Henning, Chair.
Joan Lazarus
Mary Thomson
Barbara Rutecki

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District #3 Village Meeting House
5658 Main Street
Williamsville, New York 14221

Inspectors - Charlotte Jurek, Chair.
Frank Raimondo
Peggy Coutlakis
Norma Flynn

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following are appointed
alternate inspectors: Rhoda Zent, Chester Yauchzy, Paul
Lazarus;

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.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Frese, the following
resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that the following are hereby appointed to the
Village of Williamsville Records Management Advisory Committee
until the end of the 1996-1997 official Village year:

Theresa L. Cummins	-	Village Administrator
Basil Piazza	-	Mayor
Patrick Kelly	-	Village Attorney
Cheri Carver	-	Records Management Clerk
Village of Williamsville Grant Writer		

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Schofield reported the Winterfest will be held February
9th. There will be hayrides, a petting zoo area, fun on slopes and
free hot chocolate and donuts. She also reported that there is an
Eagle Scout project being conducted at the Lehigh Memory Trail
whereby a young man from RIT, Phil Binner, has produced a new map
with corresponding information about the trees.

The Old Home Days meeting will be coming up in March and discussion
will be held on sponsoring a Youth tent which will include bands
and other special events.

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Trustee Wutz reported that the steeple project is nearing completion. It has been in the dream stage for 15 years, the planning stage for about 3 years and the construction stage for seven or eight months. Once this is completed it will be a step in preserving the heritage of the Village. We are confident this building will be named to the National Historic Register.

ON MOTION By Trustee Wutz, seconded by Trustee Frese, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health and the Environmental Facilities Corporation offer a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program to assist local governments with the drinking water infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville wishes to finance the Los Robles Street Water Reconstruction Program and the Northeast Quadrant Transmission System Improvements at lower bond markets rates in order to reduce hardship on Village residents;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Holark Systems, the Village's consultant for grant writing, be authorized and directed to complete the necessary pre-application forms, etc. to be submitted to the DWSRF program for the purposes of securing an application for a 20-year loan in an amount not to exceed \$2 million; 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.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION By Trustee Wutz, seconded by Trustee Frese, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village is installing new light poles in various areas throughout the Village, and

WHEREAS, the light poles which are being removed are no longer needed by the Village,

BE IT RESOLVED that the converted gas lights are declared to be surplus property, and

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Administrator is hereby authorized to advertise for sealed bids for approximately 45 converted gas light poles. Bids to be opened in the Village Administrator's office at 2:00 P.M. on February 18, 1997 under the terms of the standard bidding resolution.

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Frese reported that during 1996, 115 Building Permits were issued. This is the 1st time in many years we have gone over the 100 mark. He congratulated Janet Lester who was recently elected President of the Williamsville Business Association. He also stated that the Village is negotiating with the Village of Lancaster to come up with an agreement whereby we would have their Building Inspector available to do inspections when Dave Sutton is unavailable due to vacations or illness. We would reciprocate for their Building Inspector. Trustee Frese also thanked and congratulated Dave Laubisch and his DPW workers for clearing the streets so efficiently during the last storm.

ON MOTION By Trustee Frese, seconded by Trustee Schofield, the following resolution was 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 of Williamsville wishes to microfilm administrative records and building department records, thereby reducing retrieval time, requirements for storage space and usage of fragile paper records;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Holark Systems, the Village's consultant for grant writing, be authorized and directed to complete the necessary application forms, etc. to be submitted to New York State Archives and Records Administration for the purposes of securing a grant in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00; 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.

Unanimously carried.

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ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Wutz, it was moved to suspend rules for a resolution which does not appear on the agenda.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION By Trustee Frese, seconded by Trustee Wutz, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED that Local Law #1-1997, entitled Moratorium on Communication Towers, which was the subject of a public hearing on January 27, 1997 is hereby adopted.

Unanimously carried.

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

Unanimously carried.

Trustee Langenfeld reported on the committees to which he is liaison. The Criminal Justice Committee is proposing a mailing to Village residents which would survey their views on the criminal justice process and crime in general in the Village. They are trying to take a pro-active approach to the problems. This would be similar to the survey the Town of Amherst police did in Eggertsville, except they went door to door. They would also like to set up an award for a Town of Amherst police officer who does something outstanding in the Village of Williamsville or in the area near the Village.

The Administrator had no report tonight.

Superintendent of Public Works Laubisch stated that there are 4 or 5 summer positions available in the D.P.W. He also reported that removing snow from streets costs the average household about \$31.00 per year.

ON MOTION By Mayor Piazza, seconded by Trustee Frese, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Unanimously carried.

Theresa L. Cummins
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer