

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Williamsville held in the Williamsville Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York on Monday, November 22, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Trustee Lowther.

Present: F. Ray Hazlett, Mayor
Joseph P. Frese, Deputy Mayor
Mary E. Lowther, Trustee
Ronald W. Daniels, Trustee
Joan E. Seamans, Trustee

Sally A. Kuzon, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer
Lynda J. Juul, Deputy Treasurer
J. Michael Hayes, Village Attorney
Michael Parker, DPW

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Lowther, the minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 6, 2004, are hereby approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 8, 2004 are hereby approved.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Daniels, the minutes of the Special Meeting held on November 14, 2004, are hereby approved.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Hazlett read into the record a press release concerning the Village Board's intent to purchase the properties at 56, 60, and 80 E. Spring Street, also known as the "Water Mill property" (see attached).

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

Unanimously carried.

The following persons addressed the Board:

Caroline Schlifke, 192 Evans St, stated that she believes that the purchase of the Mill would be a wonderful acquisition for the Village. She inquired about the cost of acquiring the property, and what the plans are for approaching NYS or others to help with the funding. Mayor Hazlett commented that a bond resolution for up to \$500,000 was passed on 11/14/04 and that the Board has already contacted Tom Reynolds' office at the Federal level. There is some funding already in place, which Mayor Hazlett did not want to disclose. The Mayor further indicated that the property in question is not just the Mill, but also the Miller homestead and the Eli house. Trustee Frese commented that what prompted the Village to act so quickly was the possibility of developers coming in and tearing down the Mill and putting in condominiums. Mrs. Schlifke wondered if (with the Historic designation the building has) someone could still come in and tear it down. The Board told her that yes, they could – the historic designation does not afford any protection at all. Mrs. Schlifke also asked about an article stating that \$650,000 was designated for Williamsville and Newstead for their water systems. The Board indicated that they trying to find out about that, and also has questions. They believe that the funding is going to ECWA. The Village did approach Representative Reynolds a while ago when they were looking for funding to consolidate with ECWA, but has not been officially notified of anything.

Paul Kreiter, 29 South Ellicott, informed the Village Board that there is a meeting on November 30th at the Clarence library regarding the future our libraries and their potential closing due to the E.C. budget. Regarding striping at Village crosswalks, Mr. Kreiter asked that the following areas be put on the list: Park and Garrison; Park and South Ellicott; and Main and Mill on the south side. The Board suggested contacting Ed Young's regarding Main and Mill, since this is private property. The Traffic & Safety committee has made a detailed list of all crosswalks in the Village, and the list has been forwarded to the DPW.

Eric Brunner, 248 Culpepper, asked about the bond resolution for the purchase of the water mill. He stated that he had heard that if the Mill were to be demolished, that houses would have to be bulldozed. The Board clarified that they purchased the Mill to possibly avoid this.

Jason Jordan, 295 Mill Street, asked what the Board's plans are to make the Mill self-sufficient so that it would not be a financial burden, should the Board be successful in purchasing it. The Board stated that they are still looking at that; perhaps it could be leased out, but it must be used for public use. Trustee Lowther commented that there are currently tenants in the buildings which produce revenue. She stated there will be a great deal of public input for this project and that it will be a very deliberate process.

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Maryann Avery, 65 Garrison Rd., asked about the drainage issues in the Town pertaining to the Wehrle Drive project. She is also wondering if the Village has an ordinance or regulation pertaining to requiring archeological studies at the proposed town house project located in the Town of Amherst on South Cayuga Rd. Mayor Hazlett commented that he has read the archaeological report and that there are very specific requirements that the Village has to follow. There are many things in place that both the Village and the Town have to follow that are part of NYS law. Ms. Avery commented that the archaeologist at the meeting thought the law wasn't enough.

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Daniels, it was moved to close the public participation portion of the meeting.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Frese, the following motion was adopted:

RESOLVED that payroll and vouchers in the amount of \$179,609.50 covering the period November 1, 2004 – November 16, 2004 are approved as follows:

Payroll covering 11/1/04 – 11/14/04	\$35,575.13
Vouchers covering 11/3/04 – 11/16/04	
General Fund	106,406.70
Water Fund	9,883.39
Sewer Fund	13,668.01
Glen Park Fund	676.36
Trust & Agency Fund	13,399.91
Debt Service	0.00
Community Development	0.00
Capital Fund	0.00
	<u>\$144,034.37</u>
Grand Total:	<u>\$179,609.50</u>

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

RESOLVED that the following amendment is hereby made to the General Fund to account for a donation from the Williamsville Business Association to the Youth & Recreation Committee for the Halloween Parade and party:

Increase:	001-0001-2705 Gifts and donations	\$150.00
Increase:	001-7310-4170 Youth & Recreation	\$150.00

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign an Ambulance Service Contract between the Village of Williamsville and Twin City Ambulance Company for a term of three (3) years extending from January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2007.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the 2004 STOP-DWI Agreement between the Village of Williamsville and the County of Erie covering the period January through December 2004.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Hazlett, seconded by Trustee Frese, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm.

Unanimously carried.

Sally A. Kuzon
Administrator