

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees held in Williamsville Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York on Monday, January 9, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Present: Mary E. Lowther, Mayor
Basil J. Piazza, Trustee
Ronald W. Daniels, Trustee
Brian J. Geary, Trustee
Richard P. Sweeney, Trustee

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

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Daniels, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 19, 2005 as submitted.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Daniels, it was moved to approve the minutes of the public hearing held on December 19, 2005 regarding a proposed 2006 water rate increase, as submitted.

Unanimously carried.

Mayor Lowther presented proclamations honoring the following Village of Williamsville residents for their outstanding contributions to improving the historic character of the Lehigh Railroad Station by installing donated antique pavers around the building: Lawrence P. Brenton, Dr. Harold O. Douglass, and Mark Klepadlo. Unfortunately, Mr. Brenton was unable to receive his proclamation in person.

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

Unanimously carried.

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The following members of the audience addressed the Board:

Michael Coahn, 82 Academy Street - Mr. Coahn inquired as to what the status is of the last pole on Academy Street. Mayor Lowther commented that it was a hazard for snow plowing and it was requested to be removed. National Grid verified that there was sufficient light in the area before removing the pole, which should be removed sometime this week. Mr. Coahn felt the removal was due to the new driveway put in by the resident on Village Point Lane; Mike Parker stated that the issue is the relocation of driveways from Christian Central Academy, and being able to push the snow off to the right hand side. Mr. Coahn then asked why the “guys” drive down Academy Street each day. Mayor Lowther and Mike Parker responded that they could be checking for leaves, inspecting street signs, or checking for white goods that need to be picked up.

Tom Frank, 225C Evans Street - Mr. Frank stated that he is a member of Niagara Frontier Bicycle Club and is involved with safe route issues. He feels the Village needs to pass a resolution to support the Town resolution for an inter-municipal agreement for those municipalities that share Ellicott creek. Mayor Lowther stated that the resolution is on the agenda tonight. Mr. Frank requested a copy.

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

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that the following *budget transfers* are hereby made to the *General Fund for the 2005 – 2006* fiscal year:

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| To: | 001-1210-4450 (Mayor – Misc. Exp.) | \$69.00 |
| From: | 001-1210-4040 (Mayor – Education Exp. / Travel) | \$69.00 |
| To: | 001-1420-4160 (Law/Attorney – Professional Fees & Books) | \$59.00 |
| From: | 001-1420-4450 (Law/Attorney - Miscellaneous) | \$59.00 |
| To: | 001-8162-1000 (Leaf Pickup – Personal Services) | \$2,137.00 |
| | 001-8163-1000 (Trash Pickup – Personal Services) | \$1,309.00 |
| | 001-8560-1000 (Shade Trees – Personal Services) | \$306.00 |
| From: | 001-5110-1000 (Street Maintenance – Personal Services) | \$3,752.00 |

Unanimously carried

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

RESOLVED, that the following *budget amendment* is hereby made in the *Water Fund for the 2005-2006* fiscal year:

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| To: 006-8340-2010 (Water Transmission – Meters) | \$301.00 |
| From: 006-8340-4160 (Water Transmission – Repairs – Lines) | \$301.00 |

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that payroll and vouchers in the amount of \$132,874.39, covering the period from December 12, 2005 to January 3, 2006, are approved as follows:

Payroll covering: 12/12/05 – 12/25/05 **\$34,059.14**

Vouchers covering: 12/14/05 – 1/3/06:

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| General Fund | \$44,165.37 |
| Water Fund | \$36,662.35 |
| Sewer Fund | \$1,841.73 |
| Glen Park Fund | \$14.83 |
| Trust & Agency Fund | \$16,131.42 |
| Debt Service | \$0.00 |
| Community Development | \$0.00 |
| Capital Fund | \$0.00 |
| | <u>\$98,815.25</u> |

Grand Total: **\$132,874.39**

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville purchased the Williamsville Water Mill properties to ensure preservation of the buildings as the original symbol of the Village and, find it is appropriate to involve another form of management,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a Mayor's Water Mill Advisory Committee be created with the purpose of investigating funding options, restoration and utilization for the Mill properties, with the Committee members to be approved by the Village Board.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that the Administrator is hereby authorized to publish notice of a public hearing to be held on Monday, February 13, 2006, at 7:35 p.m., at Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in discussing an amendment to Chapter 103 of the Village Code to add Section § 103-22: Crosswalks.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Trustee Geary, seconded by Trustee Sweeney, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Amherst Town Board has requested by resolution and Governor Pataki and local, state and federal representatives request and support the inclusion of the Village of Williamsville on the Inter-municipal Greenway Agreement/ Niagara Greenway Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville is within the Town of Amherst, is neighbor to Tonawanda and Pendelton (located in Niagara County); and

WHEREAS, Ellicott Creek which bisects the Village of Williamsville and is of historical importance, and the Erie Hydro Canal and Tonawanda Creek connect the Village of Williamsville to these neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville has received federal and state funds due to the importance of these tributaries, and

WHEREAS, the Governor has created the Niagara Greenway Commission which will be responsible for the future allocations of funds to enhance waterway facilities.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees supports the Inter-municipal Greenway Agreement but believes the Village of Williamsville should be allowed to participate as a partner and recipient of funds in this critically important initiative for the region.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Geary, it was moved to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations and personnel issues.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Daniels, it was moved to close the Executive Session at 9:38 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Daniels, it was moved to return to the regular agenda at 9:39 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Piazza, it was moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

SALLY A. KUZON
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

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