

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 Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Present: Mary E. Lowther, Mayor
Beatrice A. Slick, Trustee
Basil J. Piazza, Trustee
Brian J. Geary, Trustee
Richard P. Sweeney, Trustee

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

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Piazza, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 25, 2006, as submitted.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Geary, it was moved to open the public hearing at 7:35 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

A public hearing was held to hear all persons interested in discussing a curb cut for an exit driveway from the rear of 5590 Main Street onto E. Spring Street. This curb cut is being proposed by 5604 Main Street, LLC, record owner of the property. The public hearing was held pursuant to § 89-4 (3) of the Village Code.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Slick, it was moved to close the public hearing at 8:01 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Slick, it was moved to suspend the rules to open the public participation portion of the meeting.

Unanimously carried

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The following members of the audience addressed the Board:

Nicholas Perino, 40 Hillside Drive - Mr. Perino stated that he understands Traffic & Safety is contemplating putting stop signs at Howard. Mayor Lowther stated that no, they are contemplating crosswalk signs. Trustee Sweeney stated the same.

Carolyn Schlifke, 192 Evans - Mrs. Schlifke stated that she was also confused by the article in the Amherst Bee last week. At present there is a crosswalk with two signs on Glen. Because the crosswalk appears in the middle of a block and not at a corner, you also put up pedestrian crossing signs. She stated there are two others on Glen Ave. with the same situation (in Glen Park). They are bricked crosswalks in the street, but there are no signs. She wondered if signs were required or not, and if Traffic & Safety wants to look into that. She wondered if they had a copy of the Uniform Manual of Traffic & Safety Codes. This tells them what is required by NYS. She served on Traffic & Safety for 15 years. She believes traffic codes usually stay the same. At Christian Central Academy, there is a t-intersection. There is a stop sign on either side, but not at School and Academy. School is a one-way street at certain hours. It has very little traffic. If you leave the stop sign at the cross walk, and place the other at School & Academy, there will be two stop signs within 15 feet of each other, which does not seem logical. She stated that stop signs are not there for the safety of pedestrians, but are traffic control items that are used to control automotive traffic. Pedestrian safety is up to the pedestrian. They should cross at the corner. Chalmers has 4 stop signs between Evans and Mill. NYS law states that stop signs should not be placed on the main road with more traffic. Gordon and Arend don't have stop signs, but Chalmers does – this is wrong. She is asking the Board that the next time someone comes in with a recommendation for a stop sign, that they check the Uniform Manual of Traffic & Safety Codes, and also check sight distance and the volume of traffic on the two streets. The one with the least volume should have the stop sign. The village does not need any more stop signs. She doesn't think any signing is needed at Christian Central because School Street is a one-way street, and is restricted to traffic. There is no through traffic. She asked the Board to become informed as to the proper place to put stop signs, and look at it from that point of view, and not just because someone thinks it's a dangerous situation. Trustee Sweeney clarified the issue on Glen Avenue. The two crosswalks were installed by Erie County, and they only put up two signs. Trustee Sweeney stated that Mike Parker looked into this and apparently looked at the Uniform Manual. He agreed that additional signs should be installed on Glen Ave. He believes they have been ordered and will be installed.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Slick, 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 2006 – 2007* fiscal year:

To:	001-3620-2000 (Safety Inspection - Equipment)	\$173.00
From:	001-1620-2010 (Buildings - Computer Equipment)	\$173.00

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To: 001-8560-4450 (Shade Trees – Misc.) \$560.00
From: 001-8560-4360 (Shade Trees - Replacement) \$560.00

To: 001-1210-4450 (Mayor – Misc.) \$30.00
From: 001-1210-4040 (Mayor – Education Exp./Travel) \$30.00

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that the following *budget transfer* is hereby made in the *Glen Park Fund* for the **2006-2007** fiscal year:

To: 009-7141-4450 (Glen Park – Misc.) \$300.00
From: 009-7141-2010 (Glen Park – Capital Improvements) \$300.00

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that the following *budget amendment* is hereby made to the *General Fund* for the **2006-2007** fiscal year to account for multi-modal funding received from the State of New York for the addition of sidewalks on the north side of the Glen Ave. bridge:

Increase: 001-0001-3090 (State Aid – Grants) \$142,000.00
Increase: 001-5110-4273 (Street Maintenance – Sidewalks) \$142,000.00

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that the following *budget amendment* is hereby made in the *General Fund* for the **2006-2007** fiscal year:

Increase: 001-5110-2000 (Street Maint. – Equip.) \$2916.00
Increase: 001-0001-0599 (Appropriated Surplus) \$2916.00

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that Cindy Burnett, Secretary to the Mayor and Deborah Habes, Deputy Clerk, are hereby authorized to attend the New York State Archives Workshop on “Using State Archives Retention Schedules”, to be held in Albion, New York on October 18, 2006.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that John Pidgeon, Williamsville firefighter, is hereby authorized to attend training classes at the NYS Fire Academy in Montour Falls, New York, October 13 – 15, 2006, at a total cost not to exceed \$250.00, to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that John Pidgeon, Williamsville firefighter, is hereby authorized to attend training classes at the NYS Fire Academy in Montour Falls, New York, November 3 – 5, 2006, at a cost not to exceed \$250.00, to be paid by the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried.

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

RESOLVED, that Tuesday, October 31, 2006, is hereby designated “Trick or Treat” night in the Village of Williamsville

Unanimously carried.

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

WHEREAS, The Village of Williamsville, in cooperation with the Town of Amherst, Erie County, Sweet Home School District, the Snyder Fire District, and with the support of SUNY at Buffalo and the New York State Department of Transportation, seeks grant monies to improve network infrastructure, and

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WHEREAS, The New York State Department of State has developed the Shared Municipal Services Incentives grant program to assist localities with saving costs by sharing municipal services, and

WHEREAS, The Village of Williamsville is desirous of acquiring grant monies to make its data network as reliable and responsive as possible while minimizing costs to residents, and

WHEREAS, The Village of Williamsville is working with the Town of Amherst, Erie County, Sweet Home School District, and the Snyder Fire District with the support of SUNY at Buffalo and the New York State Department of Transportation to construct a shared cooperative fiber-optic data network.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville agrees that the Town of Amherst will serve as the lead agency for the purpose of submitting and administering this project, should grant funds be awarded, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Williamsville Village Board hereby authorizes the submission of a grant application to the New York State Department of State Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program for the Amherst Fiber Optic Network Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville hereby commits to providing its portion of required matching funds, in an amount not to exceed \$2,287.00, from the General Fund, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Grantmakers Advantage, Inc., the Town of Amherst's grant consultants, be authorized and directed to complete the necessary application, forms, etc. to be submitted to the New York State Department of State for the purpose of securing this grant, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Mary E. Lowther, be and hereby is authorized and directed to submit an application to the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program for the 2006-2007 Program Year and to execute all financial and/or administrative processes related to the application and acquisition of said funding.

Unanimously carried.

ON MOTION by Mayor Lowther, seconded by Trustee Piazza, it was moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Unanimously carried.

SALLY A. KUZON
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

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