

**Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees held at Village Hall, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, NY, on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.**

The Village Board meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Rogers

Deputy Treasurer Hazel Pasco led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30pm.

Present: Deborah L. Rogers, Mayor  
Basil J. Piazza, Deputy Mayor  
Matthew J. Etu, Trustee  
Eileen A. Torre, Trustee –  
David F. Sherman, Trustee

Also present: Judith A. Kindron, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer – via zoom  
Hazel J. Pasco, Deputy Treasurer  
Keaton DePriest, Director of Community Development  
Charles Grieco, Village Attorney – via zoom  
Ben Vilonen, DPW Crew Chief – via zoom

**Proclamation(s) :** Recognition of Hazel Pasco

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Etu, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 12, 2021 as submitted.

Unanimously carried

## **Public Hearing**

*(Stone Wall at 127 Garrison)*

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Piazza, it was moved at 7:37 p.m. to open this public hearing portion of the meeting.

- 1.) **John & Rene Rubino-127 Garrison** – Against the designation of historical landmark. No proof it was constructed by Mr. Oechsner.
- 2.) **Chuck Akers-170 S. Cayuga Rd.** - In favor of the designation. Only the wall will be designated and it is old enough to be designated.
- 3.) **John & Rene Rubino-127 Garrison** –Wall looks historical because they take care of it. They want to be in control of it.
- 4.) **Mary Lowther – 120 N. Ellocott** – Not sure when it was built, NYS recognizes anything over 50 years old, this wall is at least 70 years old. Worried about the next person that owns the property. Recognize what makes up the history of the Village. [*Trustee Etu questioned Ms. Lowther as to any proof that the wall was created by Mr. Oechsner*]. She could not find any proof.

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**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Etu, it was moved at 7:52 p.m. to close this public hearing portion of the meeting.

Unanimously carried

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, it was moved at 7:55 p.m. to open the public participation portion of the meeting.

Unanimously carried

Member(s) of the audience who addressed the Board and their comment(s) [*Board of Trustees' comments are in italics*]:

- 1) **John & Rene Rubino – 127 Garrison Rd.** - Marie Kidd, original owner. Moved in February 2000. Never mentioned when the wall was built. There is no documentation. Hoping this Board votes accordingly.
- 2) **Chuck Ackers – 170 S. Cayuga Rd.** – 1997 reconnaissance survey states on page 44 – “important landscape feature may be the work of Ignatz Oechsner”.
- 3) **Thomas Frank – 5403 Main St.** – Joint venture with Town of Amherst and Amherst State Park. Walk from Main Street to Sheridan Dr. Federal funding coming out on April 28<sup>th</sup> NYS Greenway. Projects through 2050.
- 4) **Noel Bartlo – 55 California Dr.** – Asking about changes to Parks 2025 [*Trustee Etu explained about most significant change of moving tennis courts. Big change is trees donated to Village parks. Added 18 trees to S. Long Park*]. In the past, committee felt there were enough trees in the park taking away open park space.
- 5) **Paul Pasco – 6 Kingswaye Dr.** – As Town appointee to Glen Park Joint Board, we will miss the hard work & dedication of Deputy Treasurer Hazel Pasco.

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, it was moved at 8:10 p.m. to close the public participation.

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**Report – Mayor Rogers**

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that the following *budget transfers* are hereby made in the *General Fund* for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

|       |  |           |
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| To:   | 001-3410-2030-0000 (Fire Protection/Radio Equipment)                       | \$ 45.00  |
| From: | 001-3410-4180-0000 (Fire Protection/Radio Repairs)                         | \$ 45.00  |
| To:   | 001-3410-4160-3471 (Fire Protection/Truck Expense ATV 7-1)                 | \$ 201.00 |
|       | 001-3410-4160-3491 (Fire Protection-Asst Chiefs Truck 9-1)                 | \$ 108.00 |
| From: | 001-3410-4160-0000 (Fire Protection/Truck Expense)                         | \$ 309.00 |
| To:   | 001-5110-4161-0904 (Street Maintenance/Repairs 2005 Freightliner)          | \$ 324.00 |
|       | 001-5110-4161-0913 (Street Maintenance/Repairs 1993 GMC CJ-1600 Sewer Jet) | \$ 263.00 |
|       | 001-5110-4161-0914 (Street Maintenance/Repairs 2017 Wille Sidewalk Plow)   | \$ 108.00 |
| From: | 001-5110-4161-0000 (Street Maintenance/Repairs-Equipment)                  | \$ 695.00 |

Unanimously carried

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that the following *budget amendment* are hereby made in the *General Fund* for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, to account for FEMA grant payments on Fire Department grant for air filtration and exhaust systems (\$8,190.00 + \$9,523.76) received in February 2021.

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|-----------|---|-------------|
| Increase: | 001-0001-3091-0000 (FEMA Grant)                         | \$17,713.00 |
| Increase: | 001-3410-4099-0000 (Fire Protection/Grant Expenditures) | \$17,713.00 |

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**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that payroll and vouchers in the amount of **\$163,076.96** covering the period from 3/29/2021 – 4/20/2021 are hereby approved as follows:

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|---|-----------------------|
| <b>PAYROLL COVERING - 3/29/2021-4/11/2021</b> | <b>\$ 35,754.98</b>   |
| <b>VOUCHERS COVERING- 4/7/2021-4/20/2021</b>  |                       |
| <b>GENERAL FUND-</b>                          | <b>\$ 103,896.63</b>  |
| <b>WATER FUND-</b>                            | <b>\$ 0.00</b>        |
| <b>SEWER FUND-</b>                            | <b>\$ 2,307.67</b>    |
| <b>GLEN PARK FUND-</b>                        | <b>\$ 349.49</b>      |
| <b>TRUST &amp; AGENCY FUND-</b>               | <b>\$ 20,770.19</b>   |
| <b>DEBT SERVICE-</b>                          | <b>\$ 0.00</b>        |
| <b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT-</b>                 | <b>\$ 0.00</b>        |
| <b>CAPITAL FUND-</b>                          | <b><u>\$ 0.00</u></b> |
|   | <b>\$ 127,321.98</b>  |
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| <b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>                           | <b>\$ 163,076.96</b>  |

Unanimously carried

**Report – Trustee Torre**

*Eagle Scout project at Glen Park on April 24th*

**Report – Trustee Sherman**

*Beautification committee & Garden Walk on July 17th*

**Report – Trustee Etu**

*This Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> 9-11at S. Long & Lehigh Trail will be a park cleanup.*

**ON MOTION** by Trustee Etu, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that the Village Administrator is hereby authorized and instructed to publish notice of a public hearing to be held on Monday May 24, 2021 at 7:30pm for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in commenting on changes to Chapters 12, 15 & 28 of the Village Building Code. [Draft should be available by the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting].

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**ON MOTION** by Trustee Etu, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that Historic Landmark feature at **127 Garrison Rd.** is hereby designated as a Local Historic Landmark in accordance with Chapter 47. [*on the question...Trustee Etu explained designation*].[*Attorney Grieco gave further clarification of the "Certificate of Appropriateness"*].

Roll Call: Trustee Torre – Yes  
Trustee Sherman – No  
Trustee Etu – No  
Mayor Rogers – No – [*all should have freedom of choice*]  
Deputy Mayor Piazza – Yes [*wants the wall there for the next 1000 years*]

Motion failed 2-3

**ON MOTION** by Trustee Etu, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**, that **Maureen McQuiston-Michel** of 54 Garden Parkway, Williamsville is hereby appointed to **Parks Committee** through the end of the **2020-2021**.

Unanimously carried

**Staff Reports:**

***Deputy Treasurer Pasco:***

*Thank you Village of Williamsville community for the opportunity of this job and experience.*

***Attorney Greico: no report***

***Administrator Kindron:***

*I will miss Hazel immensely. Good luck Hazel!*

***DPW Crew Chief:***

*Will miss Hazel and her smiling face.*

***Director of Community Development DePriest:***

*Parks cleanup this Saturday 9-11 at S. Long & Lehigh Trial*

*Hazel you will be missed, it will be a different place.*

**ON MOTION** by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Piazza, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm

Unanimously carried

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Judith A. Kindron  
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer