

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees held at Village of Williamsville, 5565 Main Street, Williamsville, NY on Monday, May 23, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.

The Village Board meeting was opened at 7:30 pm by Mayor Rogers

7:32 pm – Moment of silence for the victims, families from the tragedy at Tops on 5/14/22.

Trustee Carson led the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:33pm.

Present: Deborah L. Rogers, Mayor
David F. Sherman Deputy Mayor
Eileen A. Torre, Trustee
Matt Carson, Trustee
Christine L. Hunt, Trustee

Also present: Judith A. Kindron, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer (via zoom)
Charles Grieco, Village Attorney
Keaton DePriest, Director of Community Development

Absent: Ben Vilonen, DPW Crew Chief

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sherman, it was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 9, 2022.

Unanimously carried

Public Hearing

Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP)

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Torre, it was moved at 7:35 p.m. to open the public hearing portion of the meeting.

Unanimously carried

- 1) **Thomas Frank-5403 Main St.** - Hopes that the Village approves it.

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Torre, it was moved at 7:42 p.m. to close this public hearing.

Unanimously carried

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ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Hunt, it was moved at 7:44 pm 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.) **Susan Cohen Braen – 6145 Butternut Rd, Hamburg, NY 14075** – Spoke about 11 minutes, Souls of the Holocaust. (see attached email)
- 2.) **John Brown-2 Wick St.**-Talked about overreach by the Government.
- 3.) **Gina Gentry – 65 Bissell Dr. Amherst, NY 14226**–In support of Village Board against government overreach with COVID 19. Beware of what's going on.
- 4.) **Thomas Frank- 5403 Main St.**-Earth Day/Arbor Day celebration. Buffalo & Erie County Greenway Fund. Niagara Power Project.
- 5.) **John Ariola -5754 Main St.** Educated himself on Holocaust. Have you seen regulations removed?
- 6.) **Cheryl Meyer-Willowbrook**-Worksession was very informative. Coming out bigger & better. Pausing of the dam is a great thing. Cited problem with not mowing lawns.
- 7.) **Cecelia-135 Spring Meadow**-Supported resolution.
- 8.) **Nick Roth-135 Oakgrove**-No trespassing/No swimming should be posted at point. East bank of Ellicott Creek owned by Village. So much activity in the creek, any plans?
- 9.) **David Burgash-73 Oakgrove Dr**-What is the plan? Security? Post a sign at the point of Island Park – “Beyond this point...” Navigable water – right to use. Communicate with APD to patrol people walking in the creek.

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sherman, it was moved at 8:27 pm to close the public participation.

Unanimously carried

Report – Mayor Rogers

Brought forth the resolution to bring it to the public's awareness as of 4/22/22 – Isolation & quarantine. Not self-isolation, but forced quarantine. Would not pass through legislature so circumvented and passed as a State Health Regulations.

Modern yard waste – not picked up. Short staffed – put it out, Modern will collect it

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RESOLVED, that the following *budget transfers* are hereby made in the *General Fund* for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

To:	001-3410-4160-3471	(Fire Protection/ATV 7-1)	\$	240.00
From:	001-3410-4160-0000	(Fire Protection/Truck Expense)	\$	240.00
To:	001-3410-4460-0000	(Fire Protection/Fire Prevention)	\$	950.00
From:	001-3410-4180-0000	(Fire Protection/Radio Repairs)	\$	950.00

Unanimously carried

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

RESOLVED, that payroll and vouchers in the amount of \$281,776.39 covering the period from 4/25/2022 – 5/17/2022 are hereby approved as follows:

PAYROLL COVERING - 4/25/2022-5/8/2022	\$	33,649.79
VOUCHERS COVERING- 5/4/2022-5/17/2022		
GENERAL FUND-	\$	235,149.20
WATER FUND-	\$	0.00
SEWER FUND-	\$	1,019.06
GLEN PARK FUND-	\$	636.72
TRUST & AGENCY FUND-	\$	10,346.62
DEBT SERVICE-	\$	0.00
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT-	\$	0.00
CAPITAL FUND-	\$	<u>975.00</u>
	\$	248,126.60
 GRAND TOTAL	 \$	 281,776.39

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

RESOLVED, that due to an error in previous calculations, slight reductions in the 2022-2023 tax rates for the following are hereby approved:

- General Fund \$4.5308 per \$1000 of assessed value at 100% (reduced \$0.0016)
- Sewer Fund \$5.9876 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed (reduced \$0.0059)

Unanimously carried

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Torre, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that Keaton DePriest, Director of Community Development for the Village of Williamsville, is hereby authorized to travel to Ellicottville, New York for the New York Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) WNY Regional Training, May 18, 2022 through May 19, 2022. Travel costs not to exceed \$281.00.

Unanimously carried

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Trustee Torre, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that Fire Dept. members Richard Maddigan, Christopher Petrie, James Maddigan and Chris Manning are hereby authorized to travel to Syracuse, NY, to attend the NYS Chiefs Trade Show June 17, 2022, at zero cost to the Village of Williamsville.

Unanimously carried

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

RESOLVED, that the Williamsville Department of Public Works assigned funds at the end of fiscal 2021 for the purchase of Sewer Jet; and

WHEREAS, the DPW Crew chief has researched and tested equipment for this purpose;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the DPW Crew chief is approved to purchase a TRUVAC Paradigm Vacuum Excavator from Sourcewell at a cost not to exceed \$259,901.00.

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Report – Deputy Mayor Sherman

*Flyers available for Earth Day/Arbor Day on June 4, 2022 10:00am-1:00pm
No Memorial Day parade, but there will be a service at 1:00pm at Williamsville Cemetery.
Meeting House Committee-12 dates are booked. Interested in attracting new renters.*

Report – Trustee Carson

No Reports

Report – Trustee Hunt

HPC plaque ceremony. Recipients there. Senator Rath & Legislator McMahon. Well received

ON MOTION by Trustee Hunt, seconded by Trustee Torre, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to publish notice of a public hearing to be held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7:30 pm for the purpose of hearing all persons interested in expressing an opinion on the designation of the mural inside the Bank of America building at 5529 Main Street, as an interior historic landmark.

Unanimously carried

Report – Trustee Torre

*Read a statement regarding tragedy in Buffalo on 5/14/22
Earth Day*

ON MOTION by Trustee Torre, seconded by Trustee Hunt, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville has prepared a Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP), pursuant to Article 42 of the New York State Executive Law - the Waterfront Revitalization of Coastal Areas and Inland Waterways Act; and

WHEREAS, the LWRP was prepared under the review and guidance of the Village of Williamsville Waterfront Advisory Committee, with planning consultation assistance; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Part 617 of the implementing regulations of Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law (State Environmental Quality Review Act), the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees was designated as the SEQR Lead Agency and prepared an Environmental Assessment Form to identify and evaluate the potential impacts of adopting the

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Village of Williamsville LWRP; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees, as SEQR Lead Agent, conducted a coordinated review of the LWRP and has appropriately acknowledged and addressed all comments received from interested and involved agencies; and

WHEREAS, the findings of the environmental review indicated that the adoption of the Village of Williamsville LWRP will not adversely affect the natural resources of the State and/or the health, safety and welfare of the public, and is consistent with all associated social and economic considerations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees, acting as the lead agency for this action, has determined that the adoption of the Village of Williamsville Local Waterfront Revitalization Program is not anticipated to result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment, and that a Negative Declaration is hereby issued based on the findings set forth in the Negative Declaration/Notice of Determination of Non-Significance (attached and incorporated by reference herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Williamsville Board of Trustees authorizes the Planning Consultant to prepare the necessary notices and filings on this action, and that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the Planning Consultant, as required.

Unanimously carried

ON MOTION by Trustee Torre, seconded by Trustee Hunt, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that *Jeffrey Hahn* of 99 North Ellicott Street and *Luke Wolfe* of 156 South Cayuga Street are hereby appointed to the *Environmental Advisory Council* until the end of the *2021-2022* official Village year.

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Staff Reports:

Deputy Treasurer: no report

Attorney Greico: no report

Administrator Kindron: no report

DPW Crew Chief: no report

Director of Community Development DePriest: no report

ON MOTION by Mayor Rogers, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sherman, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 pm.

Unanimously carried

Judith A. Kindron
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer