

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEE  
FOR THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE  
DECEMBER 10, 2007**

The regular semi-monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President McCarty. Present: President: William McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal, Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustee: Janice Beyers, Norval Melton, Mark Esker, John Swinford. Absent: Trustee: Larry Barregarye, Trustee Edwards. Employees: Karen Humphres, Robert Harris, Chief Edwards.

Trustee Melton moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes of November 26, 2007, second by Trustee Esker. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Melton moved to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes of December 3, 2007, second by Trustee Beyers. All ayes, motion carried.

**FINANCE**

Trustee Melton moved to pay the bills as presented, second by Trustee Swinford. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Swinford, Melton, Esker, Beyers. Motion carried.

Trustee Swinford moved to approve the Tax Levy Ordinance 2007-15, second by Trustee Beyers. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Melton, Swinford, Beyers, Esker. Motion carried.

Trustee Esker moved to transfer \$15,000 from the TIF fund to the sewer fund for repayment of loan, second by Trustee Melton. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Beyers, Melton, Swinford, Esker. Motion carried.

President McCarty scheduled Special Board meetings for December 17 & 18, 2007 at 6:30 pm to discuss the FY 2008 Budget.

**ECONOMIC & RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (John Swinford):** Trustee Swinford received a resignation from Bob Tibbs as of November 22, 2007 from the Board of Appeals. Trustee Swinford will have recommendations ready for the next regular board meeting in January.

Valarie Patterson volunteered to help with the Main Street program.

Trustee Swinford scheduled a joint meeting with Economic & Residential Development and Public Safety. He would like Chief Edwards and Rick Smith (Director of Building & Zoning) to attend. There are 3 properties that are nuisances. Trustee Swinford would like to take pictures of these properties and move forward. The meeting is set for December 15, 2007 at 10:00 am. The committee will meet at the Village Hall and then proceed to the 3 properties.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS & SERVICES (Janice Beyers):** Trustee Beyers will see if the Decatur Park Singers are available for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration. She would like something in the newsletter asking residents what they would like to see.

The Foundation is going to purchase a sound system for around \$1,000 and would like the village to pay half.

Trustee Beyers suggested placing a tree permanently on the boulevard for decorating instead of purchasing one each year.

**WATER, SEWER, AND DRAINAGE (Mark Esker):** Trustee Esker heard from the railroad as yet regarding the water problem at the railroad tracks. Trustee Esker spoke to someone from ICC. He will come out and look at it.

He will get a budget together and replace some things. Trustee Esker said the next time it rains he will take some pictures showing how deep it is. The man from ICC is going to put him in touch with the track super.

Bob Harris and Trustee Esker will look at the water line at Caldwell's. It is possible that the water line should have been on the railroad side and may have to be moved. Trustee Esker said the village would have to pay for it if it was placed in the wrong area.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (Rusty Edwards):** Trustee Esker moved to authorize execution of the SWAMP (Sangamon County Solid Waste Management Planning Committee Grant) Agreement Ordinance 2007-14, second by Trustee Swinford. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Melton, Swinford, Beyers, Esker. Motion carried.

President McCarty met with Trevor Clatfelter, Representative Brauer, representatives from Cilco and others regarding a trail between Williamsville and Sherman. The first step is to send a letter to Cilco expressing our interest. If they say yes, then we will move on to the next step of working out the particulars, trying to find funding. Representative Brauer expressed an interest in helping as well. This will be a long process of about 3 to 4 years.

**STREETS, ALLEYS & SIDEWALKS (Larry Barregarve):** Trustee Esker said sometime in February the village will receive a notice regarding signing up to be on the state contract for salt. We pay \$52 a ton; the state pays \$42 a ton. It takes 1 year to be on the list.

**PUBLIC SAFETY (Norval Melton):** Trustee Melton reported that he had received a second complaint regarding the property at 400-402 E. Jones. He will have Karen send a second letter. The property owner will have until January 1, 2008 to clean it up. If they don't we will send the nuisance ordinance violation.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:** Trustee Esker moved to appoint Trustee Swinford as permanent Pro-tem for the rest of President McCarty's term, second by Trustee Melton. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Esker, Beyers, Swinford, Melton. Motion carried.

President McCarty realigned the committees as follows: Economic & Residential Development-John Swinford, Chair, Mark Esker and Norval Melton as members. Community Relations & Services-Janice Beyers, Chair, Norval Melton and Larry Barregarve as members. Streets, Alleys & Drainage, Mark Esker, Chair, Janice Beyers and Rusty Edwards as members. Public Safety-Norval Melton as Chair, John Swinford and Rusty Edwards as members. Water & Sewer-Rusty Edwards, Chair, Janice Beyers and Larry Barregarve as members. Public Buildings, Grounds & Sidewalks-Larry Barregarve, Chair, John Swinford and Mark Esker as members. This will take effect immediately.

Tut asked if the village could clean up the restaurant and the other building could be cleaned up and the village put a lien on the property. President McCarty said the village was waiting for the Fire Marshall's report.

Trustee Melton moved to adjourn, second by Trustee Beyers. The meeting of the regular semi-monthly board meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By

Carol Beal, Clerk