

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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The regular semi-monthly meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Monday of every month and will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. The public is always welcome to attend the regular semi-monthly meeting and all committee meetings. Committee meetings are scheduled as needed. Dates and agendas for these committee meetings and any special board meetings are posted on the board near the door of the Village Hall. Please check the board for any updates or on the website: www.williamsvilleil.org

Approved minutes of the regular monthly meetings and agendas may be viewed on the website or at the village office.

VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED

The village office will be **closed** on **Tuesday, February 12, 2008** in observance of Lincoln’s Birthday and on **Monday, February 18, 2008** in observance of President's Day.

WARMING CENTER

In the event the village loses power, the Community Center is equipped with a generator and will be used as a warming center.

SNOW REMOVAL

When possible please remember to move vehicles that are along the side of the roads during snow removal time. It is also very important that you let your children know to keep away from playing in the snow drifts along the side of the streets. At times, this is very difficult for the village employees removing snow to see them playing and they could easily bury them in the snow drift! We appreciate your cooperation regarding this matter.

ALL TOWN GARAGE SALES

Think Spring! It’s getting close to that time of year again. The All Town Garage Sales are scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2008 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

The All Town Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2008 and Sunday, April 27, 2008.

Watch March and April newsletters for more details!



VILLAGE BOARD SPOTLIGHT
Trustee Valerie Patterson

Valerie has lived in Williamsville since July, 1999. She and her husband Bob have a son, two-year old Grant. Valerie and her family love spending time at the village park and walking the trail along with their dog, Roscoe. Most of their time has been spent maintaining and renovating the two historic homes they’ve lived in since moving to Williamsville. Valerie’s community passions include economic development and historic preservation of the Main Street area. She wants to see the village develop a long-term comprehensive plan toward strategically growing the community, including residential planning as well as development of the commercial area across I-55.

Village President
William “Bill” McCarty
566-9336

Trustees

Finance
Bill McCarty 566-9336

Economic & Residential Development
John Swinford 566-2465

Streets, Alleys & Drainage
Mark Esker 566-3357

Water & Sewer
(Vacant)

Public Safety
Norval Melton 299-0476

Public Bldgs., Grounds & Sidewalks
Larry Barregarye 566-2098

Community Relations
Janice Beyers 566-3307

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION-JUNE 29TH

Vendors and any groups that would like to participate in the July 4th Celebration are asked to get in touch with Janice.

It's not too late to let us know what you would like to see at this year's celebration. Your input is very much needed. Call or e-mail Janice at 566-3307 or Jsk774@aol.com with your ideas or comments.

THANKS FROM THE WCF to all the people who gave their time to help make the 'small' town Christmas a success.

We would also like to thank all the people who decorated their homes this year to make our town so welcoming.

The winners of the home decorating contest this year are:

Wally and Julie Schultz-308 E. Conrey

Mike and Leigh McDermott-400 Linden Lane

Steve and Jane Bair-230 W. Main

Winners of the gift certificates at Breakfast with Santa are:

Adeline Hundelson, Phil Alphin, Austin Mendenhall

Erin Fisher, Tyler Beals, Jacob Guffey, Coldin W.

Calvert, Emily McCullough, Maddie Walsh

LIBRARY NEWS

You may pick up a copy of the Williamsville Public Library Newsletter at the village office.

WUMC ANNUAL BOOK SALE & SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH will be held on Saturday, February 2 at the church. The book sale opens at 8:00; lunch starts at 10:00. Eat and shop until 1:00. Hundreds of books for all ages: Romance, Westerns, Mysteries, Business, Travel, Arts & Crafts, Cookbooks, Fiction and Non-Fiction for all.

PLUS *Soup, Chili*, a variety of *SANDWICHES*, *dessert* and *drink* for only \$5.25. Kids under 10, \$3.50.

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
DECEMBER 3, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm by President McCarty. Present: President: William McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal, Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustees: Rusty Edwards, Janice Beyers, Norval Melton, Mark Esker, John Swinford. Absent: Trustee Larry Barregarye. Employees: Karen Humphres, Robert Harris, Chief Edwards.

President McCarty, Trustee Melton and Chief Edwards met to discuss the purchase of a police vehicle from Bob Brady Dodge. It was decided to purchase a 2007 Dodge Durango V8. With light set up of \$1,500 and camera for \$3,500, the total cost is about \$35,000.

Trustee Swinford suggested the SUV to be marked. Trustee Melton suggested marking the current vehicle and semi mark the SUV.

Trustee Melton moved to authorize President McCarty to sign the Letter of Intent to purchase the police vehicle, second by Trustee Swinford. Roll: Ayes, Trustees Esker, Edwards, Beyers, Swinford, Melton. Motion carried.

After discussion of pay for the part time police officers, the trustees agreed the part time officers would work about 25 hours a week at \$13.50 per hour.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & SERVICES (Janice Beyers): Trustee Beyers requested a budget increase of \$1,000 to use for the Fourth of July celebration.

ECONOMIC & RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (John Swinford): Trustee Swinford requested \$8,000 of Tif money for improvements of current structures in the downtown area. The money could be used for awnings, doors, etc. The money cannot be used for removing debris.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

WILLIAMSVILLE, ILLINOIS

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STREETS, ALLEYS & SIDEWALKS (Larry Barregarve): \$20,000 (\$10,000 from Tif & \$10,000 from General Revenue) will budgeted for sidewalks in 2008.

WATER, SEWER, AND DRAINAGE (Mark Esker): Trustee Esker \$80,000 to \$90,000 to improve the drainage from Walnut and Harpole Streets to the school. This project will be put on hold until Trustee Esker checks into grants to help with the cost. For now culverts will be replaced and the ditch cleaned in an attempt to improve the drainage.

Bob Harris requested \$60,000 for water tower improvements and would like to purchase a new computer for about \$6,000 to upgrade the telemetry computer.

President McCarty asked Bob Harris how many water meters would be needed to finish. Bob said about 500-600 would be needed.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS (Rusty Edwards): Trustee Edwards requested to budget \$5,000 for a snow plow, \$4,000 for a concrete floor at the village/township garage, \$5,000 for painting of the box car museum, \$5,000 for painting the Community Center, \$500 for a water fountain for the Community Center and \$2,000 for a new floor for the dump truck.

Trustee Melton requested \$800 for a fence in the evidence room at the police department, \$750 for window & door upgrade and about \$4,000 for garage doors.

President McCarty reminded everyone to watch their spending in the future. We need to save towards the infrastructure expenses such as the Main Street project.

Trustee Swinford moved to go into executive session regarding C1, second by Trustee Melton.

The Special Board meeting recessed at 8:42 pm to go into Executive Session.

The Special Board meeting reconvened at 9:02.

Trustee Edwards moved to approve salary increases, second by Trustee Melton. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Edwards moved to adjourn the Special Board meeting at 9:02 pm, second by Trustee Melton.

Respectfully Submitted By

Carol Beal, Clerk

**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 Barregarve, 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 4th 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.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**WILLIAMSVILLE, ILLINOIS****PAGE 2, DECEMBER 10, 2007**

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 Barregarye 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 Barregarye as members. Public Buildings, Grounds & Sidewalks-Larry Barregarye, 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

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
DECEMBER 17, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President McCarty. Present: President: William McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal, Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustees: Rusty Edwards, Janice Beyers, Norval Melton, Mark Esker, John Swinford. Absent: Trustee Larry Barregarye. Employees: Karen Humphres.

The Village Board of Trustees met to finalize the General Revenue Budget.

The board looked at each line item and made the appropriate changes.

There will be a line created for the digital sign income.

Health insurance was discussed. President McCarty has been working with the office manager on lowering the cost of health insurance by switching providers. They believe the village could save over \$12,000 a year by switching. This will be sent to the Finance Committee at a later date.

The village will use the same auditors this year because this is Karen's first year. After this year it will go out for bid.

Treasurer Dowell requested another user license from Locis so she can work from home at anytime.

Trustee Esker will check with Steve Becker regarding computer consulting.

President McCarty will talk with Bob Harris about the hours for seasonal help.

The General Revenue Fund is finished. On December 18, 2007 the board will go through TIF, water and sewer.

Once President McCarty and Treasurer Dowell reviews everything one last time, a Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 27, 2007. The items on the agenda will be passing the budget, and bills.

Trustee Melton moved to adjourn the Special Board meeting, second by Trustee Esker. The Special Board meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By

Carol Beal, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
DECEMBER 18, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President McCarty. Present: President: William McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal, Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustees: Rusty Edwards, Mark Esker, Norval Melton, Janice Beyers, John Swinford. Absent: Trustee Larry Barregarye. Employees: Karen Humphres, Bob Harris.

The Village Board of Trustees met to finalize the TIF, Water and Sewer Funds for FY2008 budget.

The board looked at each line item and made the appropriate changes.

A Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 27, 2007. The items on the agenda will be approving new line items, passing the budget, and bills, approving minutes of the regular board meeting on December 10, the minutes of the special board meeting on December 17 and December 18.

Trustee Melton moved to adjourn the Special Board meeting, second by Trustee Swinford. The Special Board meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm. All ayes, motion carried

Respectfully Submitted By
Carol Beal, Clerk

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
DECEMBER 27, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm by President McCarty. Present: President: William McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal, Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustees: Rusty Edwards, Mark Esker, Janice Beyers, Norval Melton, John Swinford. Absent: Trustee Larry Barregarye. Employees: Karen Humphres.

Trustee Melton moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2007, second by Trustee Beyers. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Melton moved to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 17, 2007, second by Trustee Swinford. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Melton moved to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 18, 2007, second by Trustee Esker. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Edwards moved to create new line numbers for the budget, second by Trustee Melton. Roll: Trustees Swinford, Esker, Edwards, Melton, Beyers. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Edwards moved to approve draft 5 budget with one exception of 01-00-357.1 sign fees changing from \$1200 to \$600, second by Trustee Swinford. Roll: Trustees Edwards, Esker, Swinford, Beyers, Melton. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Edwards moved to approve the monthly bills, second by Trustee Melton. Roll: Trustees Esker, Edwards, Melton, Swinford, Beyers. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Swinford moved to create line number 37-00-651.1 Utility Supplies, second by Trustee Edwards. Roll: Trustees Beyers, Melton, Swinford, Esker, Edwards. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Swinford moved to amend the budget to add \$10,000 to line 37-00-651.1 Utility Supplies, second by Trustee Edwards. Roll: Trustees Esker, Edwards, Swinford, Melton, Beyers. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Swinford moved to adjourn the Special Board meeting at 7:08 pm, second by Trustee Melton. All ayes, motion carried

Respectfully Submitted By
Carol Beal, Clerk

WILLIAMSVILLE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- February 2 WUMC annual Book Sale & Soup & Sandwich Lunch
- February 5 Primary Election from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Community Center
Library Board Meeting 7:00 pm in the Board Room at the Community Center
- February 6 Coffee Hour at 10:30 am in the library
- February 9 Community Foundation Jr. High Dance 6:30-10:00 pm
- February 11 Williams Township Board Meeting at 6:00 pm at the Village Hall
Village Board Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall
- February 12 Village Office Closed in observance of Lincoln's Birthday
Story Time at 11:00 am in the library
Bingo at 7:00 pm at the Community Center
- February 13 Coffee Hour at 10:30 am in the library
- February 18 Village Office closed in observance of President's Day
- February 19 Coffee Hour at 10:30 am in the library
Trivia Night at the Library for all 6th, 7th & 8th graders at 6:30 in the library
- February 23 Williamsville Reads at 10:30 am to discuss "The Thirteenth Tale" in the library
- February 25 Village Board Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall
- February 27 Coffee Hour at 10:30 am in the library
- February 28 Planning Commission Public Hearing 7:00 pm at the Village Hall