

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
March 23, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by President McCarty. Present: President William McCarty. Deputy Clerk: Karen Humphres. Trustees: Janice Beyers, Norval Melton, Larry Barregarve, Valerie Patterson, Trustee Esker. Trustee Barnett, absent. Employees: Chief Richard Edwards, Heidi Dowell, Nathan Scott, Randy Wilson, . Guests: Mike Lopez, Ken Davis, Judy Krell, Joe Michelich, David May, Suzanne Bond, Mark Mierzejewski.

No minutes to approve.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Randy Wilson was sworn in as Police Officer. Randy has been hired as a part-time officer for weekends. Randy retired from the Springfield Police Department after serving 25 years.

FINANCE: Trustee Melton moved to pay the bills as presented, second by Trustee Esker. All ayes, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ECONOMIC & RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (Valerie Patterson): Trustee Patterson recommended the Village pay David May \$5,000 for completion of the first part of the Downtown Improvement Project. Patterson and Trustee Barnett inspected the tuck pointing that was completed on the upper Westside and Southside of the building located at 101 East Main Street.

Trustee Patterson made a motion to release \$5,000 grant money to David May. All ayes, except Trustee Beyers who abstained.

Patterson stated that the new Village website is progressing.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & SERVICES (Janice Beyers): Trustee Beyers expressed concern regarding the most recent newsletter. Trustees would like to see the newsletter before it is published.

WATER & SEWER (Mike Barnett): Trustee Barnett absent.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & SIDEWALKS (Larry Barregarve): Trustee Barregarve stated that the sidewalk along Carter Street is complete and looks great.

STREETS, ALLEYS & DRAINAGE (Mark Esker): Trustee Esker stated that President McCarty and himself have met with Ameren regarding moving the utility poles located at Walnut Street (located where the houses were demolished). Ameren will move the utility poles at no charge.

PUBLIC SAFETY (Norval Melton): Emergency Evert System was demonstrated by Ken Davis (proprietor of the system). This internet based public notification system is designed to get emergency and non-emergency information out to public quickly and efficiently. The cost is \$2,000 for the system and \$800/yr for maintenance. A committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss purchase of this system.

Chief Edwards has been researching the possibility of extending the school zone. The area which is being considered encompasses a two block area around school involving McGrath and Conrey Streets. The school zone would state 20mph before and after school. Chief Edwards is researching possible grant money to purchase flashing school zone lights.

Several residents were present at the meeting to discuss their concerns regarding this traffic issue. The residents are in favor of whatever the Village sees best to resolve this traffic safety problem.

Randy Segatto (Village Attorney) will be preparing an ordinance to introduce at the next board meeting to have a stop sign be placed on Elkhart Street.

Trustee Melton stated that Sangamon County has decided to upgrade their radio communication system. The new radio system will be satellite based. When the current radio system breaks, it will be going off-line and the County will not be repairing it. In order for our Police Officers to continue communication, the Village will need to purchase new radios. The cost of 3 radios is \$18,916.68. The Village will be receiving one free radio.

Trustee Melton made a motion to purchase 3 radios and all necessary accessories in the amount of \$18,916.68. All ayes, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: .

President McCarty has forwarded a contract from Spring Net to Randy Segatto (Village Attorney). Spring Net states that a majority of Williamsville residents will benefit from their service; however, a few places will not be able to receive services. Once the village attorney has completed his review, President McCarty will bring this to the board for discussion.

President McCarty stated that Viper Mine may possibly be annexed into the Village. If completed, this will bring an approximate \$100,000 additional funds to the Village. A committee meeting has been scheduled to discuss this. Viper Mine's new site is located North of town along the interurban.

GUESTS: Mark Mierjewski thanked the Village for maintaining the soccer fields. He asked the board to purchase paint for striping of the soccer fields. Approximately 3 cases of paint will be necessary, at approximately \$40/case. Mark also had some other concerns regarding the fields, bleachers, etc. President McCarty asked Mark to prepare a list to present to Trustee Barregarye.

Trustee Barregarye moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Melton. The meeting of the regular semi-monthly board meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By

Karen Humphres, Deputy Clerk