

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
MAY 11, 2009**

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President McCarty. Present: President McCarty. Clerk: Carol Beal. Treasurer: Heidi Dowell. Trustees: Melton, Esker, Barnett, Beyers, Barregarye, Patterson, . Employees: Karen Humphres, Chief Edwards, Kent Thompson. Guests: Don Benner, Judy Krell, Tut Greening,, Scott Butterfield, Byron Painter, Eileen Gramp, Charlie Gramp, John Swinford, Kevin Kuhn, Tom Yokley, Jerry Friedrich, Linda Hughes, Dave Carter, Rick Rump, Linda Yokley, Skylar Tierney.

Trustee Barregarye moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 27, 2009 subject to the correction (adding Tom and Lisa's comments regarding the new board taking care of Ordinance 2009-04-salary increases), second by Trustee Melton. All ayes, motion carried.

FINANCE: Trustee Melton moved to approve the monthly bills as presented, second by Trustee Esker. Roll: Trustees Barregarye, Beyers, Melton, Barnett, Esker, Patterson. All ayes, notion carried.

The Oath of Office was administered to Trustees Valerie Patterson (2 year term), Mike Barnett (4 year term), Lisa White (4 year term), Scott Butterfield (4 year term). President McCarty gave the Oath of Office to President Yokley (4 year term). President Yokley administered the Oath of Office to Treasurer Heidi Dowell, Clerk Carol Beal and Deputy Clerk Karen Humphres.

Trustee Barregarye said it had been his privilege to serve on the board for the past 12 years and that a lot of progress has been made. He said it's been special and he enjoyed serving the people of Williamsville.

President Yokley said he had renamed the committees and reassigned the members and would announce them later in the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ECONOMIC & RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (Valerie Patterson): Trustee Patterson presented the new website to the village board and guests. The new official website is www.williamsville.illinois.gov. She said it is a free site from the State of Illinois and it is owned by the Village of Williamsville. Trustee Patterson asked everybody to look at the website and give any comments or suggestions.

After the presentation Trustee Patterson opened the floor for discussion. Judy Krell asked if ordinances will be on the website. Trustee Patterson explained where the ordinances would be found. She said the Library, Fire Department and Police Department will have their own pages.

Norval Melton asked if she and her committee would administer the blog. He said he didn't think the staff would have time to do it. She said these were decisions to make.

Bill McCarty suggested she speak with the Village of Sherman. John Swinford said a Sherman Trustee is in charge of the website. Bill said maybe they could give her some input.

Trustee White said a daily approval process for the blog would be adequate. Trustee Patterson said the blog could be setup and administered from a cell phone. It will be a dedicated email account.

Tut Greening said he thought the board should create a position to take care of it. He said it would take a lot of time. Trustee Patterson said the blog would have to be checked daily and policies will have to be setup.

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Dave Carter believes the blog should have names along with their comments. He hopes there will be some way to do this.

Trustee White said the moderator decides which comments are appropriate. She thinks not giving their name is okay. There is some good leaving it anonymous because there could be valid comments that people would not make if they had to put their name on it. It would be up to the moderator to determine if it falls into the guidelines.

President Yokley said he has concerns regarding the blog, how it will be monitored and how labor intensive it is.

Trustee Patterson said we could put out some fun topics and start slow and make it positive.

President Yokley asked the board members to call Valerie with any questions. By the first meeting in June hopefully we will have some direction that we can say what we are going to do on this topic. Maybe it will be approved by the following meeting. He encouraged the public to give their input. He said there are about 30 to 40 percent of the population that doesn't do email or get on websites. We need to make sure that we don't leave that 30 or 40 percent out.

At the June 8th meeting the board will talk about some policies and possibly approve them at the next board meeting. The website will hopefully go live July 1st. Trustee Patterson said she wanted to reiterate that this is not meant to take away from the public forum, public meetings, newsletter, Sun-Times or the digital sign. It is just another way to increase communication and connectivity in our community.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & SERVICES (Janice Beyers): Trustee Beyers said she is still working on the July 4th Celebration. She said she needs to have another committee meeting to approve the flyers. President Yokley said the committees could not be approved tonight. Trustee Beyers and Trustee Patterson will meet to approve the flyer.

WATER & SEWER, (Mike Barnett): Trustee Barnett said he left a message with Neal Miller regarding the internet service and hasn't heard from him.

Trustee Barnett said he received an email regarding the stimulus package. He said it was available for anyone to look at.

Trustee Barnett said he looked at the water line regarding Jack Caldwell's property. He spoke with Kent Thompson about it. He said he walked around the area. There isn't a lot of room. He said there is about 30 feet to work with. Trustee Barnett and Kent talked about moving the water line soon, sometime this summer.

Kevin Kuhn explained Resolution 2009-02. He said the stimulus money for the sewer project is going through EPA's revolving loan program. The village has to designate one person (usually the Village President/Mayor) to sign all loan documents. He is asking the board to approve the resolution authorizing President Yokley as the signing agent for the Village of Williamsville. He said it is not for the loan, it is just designating him as the authorized person to sign.

Trustee Barnett recommended the board to authorize the Village President to sign loan application forms and documents (Resolution 2009-02 attached), second by Trustee Esker. Roll: Trustees White, Patterson, Esker, Butterfield, Beyers, Barnett. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley asked Kevin Kuhn if there was a plan for providing water to the viper Mine Site. Kevin said there was none. Trustee Barnett said they were going to have a meeting after the new board was seated. President Yokley asked him to get started on it. He said he thought things may proceed a little quicker than first anticipated.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GROUNDS & SIDEWALKS : Glacial Energy presentation was cancelled.

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STREETS, ALLEYS & DRAINAGE (Mark Esker): Trustee Esker said he looked over the preliminaries for the intersection on Main Street. He said there were a couple of minor corrections made. A main bid to do the intersection and an alternate bid to go to the railroad track with asphalt was received.

Trustee Esker moved to authorize the Main and Elm Street intersection overlay project to be submitted for bid to Kevin Kuhn. Trustee Beyers second the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Esker said the guys have been cleaning ditches. He said there are a couple of pipes that are clogged and asked Kent to clean them out. He said the ditches by Casson's are a little deep and getting close to the poles with the digging. He said they should be careful so the poles don't fall into the road. Trustee Barnett asked if there was anything that could be done to correct the problem on Walnut Street. Kent said they will have to put a pipe in. Trustee Barnett is concerned that his 80 year old neighbor could fall in the ditch. President Yokley asked Kent to get a price for the pipe to correct the problem. Kent said the cost would be less than \$1,000 for pipe for 2 blocks.

Trustee Esker moved to approve not more than \$5,000 to fix the drainage problem at the corner of Sherrock's house and going one block north on Walnut Street, second by Trustee Barnett. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Beyers asked what can be done with the problem by Engels House. Trustee Esker suggested using 2 inch rock, capping it off with CA6 and then dirt on top.

PUBLIC SAFETY : Chief Edwards reported on Elert. He said several residents have asked the village was doing it. He told them the board had not decided yet. They were waiting for the new board to be seated. Sherman village said they were interested, Williamsville Fire Department is interested. They want to know how to go forward with it. Mr. Root said he would like more information on it. President Yokley said this is another thing that needs to move quickly.

Trustee Beyers wants to see how many people are interested. The cost is \$2,000 to start and \$800 a year to maintain it. President Yokley said that is why we need to get everything ready for the next meeting. We all need to be up to speed before the next meeting. Trustee White said if we find there is interest she would like to find a good vendor. She said there are a lot of companies out there.

John Swinford said the Village of Sherman is very interested. Ken Davis developed the program and is close by. He has a good reputation. He said Riverton and Chatham use the program.

President Yokley asked Trustee Butterfield to head up the project.

Chief Edwards reported a squad car was damaged by a deer.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: President Yokley said the Sangamon County Wood Workers used the Community Center for their meetings. They want to build a woodworker's library and would like to store it in the Community Center. Kent Thompson said he didn't see any problem in storing it for them. Attorney Segatto suggested the wood carvers sign a Hold Harmless Agreement. The board agreed to store the portable library.

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The committees will be as follows:

Public Safety

Scott Butterfield, Chair
Lisa White
Mark Esker

Finance

Lisa White, Chair
Scott Butterfield
Valerie Patterson

Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks & Storm Sewers

Mark Esker, Chair
Mike Barnett
Janice Beyers

Economic Development

Valerie Patterson, Chair
Mike Barnett
Lisa White

Water & Sewer

Mike Barnett, Chair
Mark Esker
Janice Beyers

Parks & Buildings

Janice Beyers, Chair
Scott Butterfield
Valerie Patterson

Trustee Beyers moved to appoint Trustee Mark Esker as President Pro-Tem, second by Trustee Patterson. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley reported that there was an opening on the Planning Commission. He asked if anybody knew of anyone interested in being on the Planning Commission to let him know by the next meeting.

President Yokley said he didn't know anything about the Comprehensive Plan other than the contact was signed with the Sangamon County Regional Planning Authority. Kevin Kuhn will contact Norm Sims for an update and will ask Norm to call President Yokley.

Kent Thompson asked President Yokley for permission to hire another part time employee for the summer. Treasurer Dowell said \$17,000 was budgeted for seasonal employees. Financially we should be okay.

Trustee Butterfield moved to authorize the hiring of another summer time employee at the same pay as the other one, second by Trustee Esker. All ayes, motion carried.

Attorney Segatto will review and recommend the Executive Session Minutes that may be released at the second meeting in June.

Chief Edwards reported that our part time officer resigned.

GUESTS:

Charlie and Eileen Grampp plan to do the flowers on Monday morning.

Tut Greening said he would like to have a Bradley Taylor day. Bradley Taylor was the Chairman of the Regional Planning Commission. He wants to recognize him for all he has done for the village. He affected Williamsville more than anyone person in the last 60 years. President Yokley asked him to get the information to Trustee Beyers.

Former Trustee Larry Barregarye offered to meet with Trustee Esker regarding the sidewalks.

The regular village board of trustees meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By

Carol Beal, Clerk