

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

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Thomas Yokley. Present: President Tom Yokley. Clerk: Carol Beal. Treasurer Heidi Dowell. Attorney Randy Segatto. Trustees: Mike Barnett, Mark Esker, Janice Beyers, Scott Butterfield, Valerie Patterson. Trustee Lisa White was absent. Employees: Karen Humphres, Kent Thompson. Guests: Tut Greening, Linda Hughes, Josh , Natalie Albers.

Trustee Beyers moved to approve the minutes of November 9, 2009, second by Trustee Butterfield. All ayes, motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

President Yokley said thank you letters to all the agencies in regard to the tornado cleanup will be going out next week.

**GUESTS:**

Natalie Albers, Recycling Coordinator, gave updates from the CAC meeting.

Tut Greening gave some background information so the board and guests could understand why he has such a huge interest in the village. He also said he felt appearance is important for the town and he stressed the importance of thinking (planning) ahead.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE (Lisa White):** Trustee Beyers moved to approve the monthly bills as presented, second by Trustee Patterson. Roll: Trustees Esker, Patterson, Barnett, Beyers, Butterfield. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley said the previous board passed an ordinance stating the TIF repay the Sewer Fund \$15,000 each year. He said the TIF Fund owes the General Fund \$60,000 and the Sewer Fund over \$200,000. He asked the board to consider increasing the payment from \$15,000 to \$30,000 per year beginning in 2011.

Trustee Butterfield moved to transfer \$15,000 TIF money to the Sewer Fund, second by Trustee Beyers. Roll: Trustees Barnett, Beyers, Butterfield, Esker, Patterson. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Beyers moved to approve the estimated 2009 tax levy for the library in the amount of \$33,177, second by Trustee Esker. Roll: Trustees Patterson, Esker, Butterfield, Beyers, Barnett. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley said he thinks the taxes in the village are high. He said the town has been through a lot and thinks the taxes should not be increased at the maximum rate of 4.999 percent.

Trustee Beyers moved to approve keep the estimated 2009 tax levy amount at the current amount of \$74,517, second by Trustee Butterfield. Roll: Trustees Barnett, Beyers, Butterfield, Esker, Patterson. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Beyers moved to approve Ordinance 2009-13 regarding the salaries for trustees and village president, second by Trustee Barnett. Roll: Trustees Patterson, Esker, Butterfield, Beyers, Barnett. All ayes, motion carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY (Scott Butterfield):** Kevin Kuhn, Engineer for Greene & Bradford, submitted a letter requesting the board to reject all bids regarding the Police Department renovations.

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Trustee Butterfield moved to reject all bids that were submitted for the Police Department renovations including heating and cooling, roof removal and replacement, second by Trustee Esker. Roll: Trustees Patterson, Esker, Butterfield, Beyers, Barnett. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Butterfield reported the November stats for the police department were 21 traffic stops, 3 suspicious persons, assisted 8 motorists, 4 ordinance violations, 4 traffic crashes, 26 assist other agencies, 1 drug possession arrest, 2 disturbances and 2 harassments by telephone calls. He said the ordinances are being enforced. The violators that have been warned several times will be fined.

Trustee Butterfield said flyers will be put up to let everybody know what Nixle is and how to sign up. The Fire Department is thinking about joining also.

Trustee Butterfield said his committee is currently working on the budget.

**WATER & SEWER, (Mike Barnett):** Trustee Barnett said he had a letter from the Department of Labor stating Preferred Tank and Tower employees were paid less than the prevailing wage.

Trustee Barnett said he would budget for the sewer repair work. The worst sections of town will be done first. Kevin Kuhn will meet with a contractor to see the best cost effective time to do the repairs. He will report at the next meeting.

Trustee Barnett moved to approve Greene & Bradford for the engineering for the mine annexation of water and sewer, second by Trustee Patterson. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Barnett said there was \$310,000 left on the sewer bond. If it is paid off now, there will be a savings of \$72,000 in interest. This will be discussed more at another time.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Valerie Patterson):** Trustee Patterson updated the board on ideas she is working on to revitalize the downtown area and bringing tourists into the village. She presented information describing the Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway Wayside Exhibit Program and the Village of Williamsville application. The village application requests four exhibit ideas for the village. The village is not guaranteed to receive all or any of the exhibits. We will know by the end of the year how many exhibits the village will be awarded.

Trustee Patterson also presented her intention to apply for a grant with the Illinois Board of Tourism that will help develop the village as a tourist attraction. She has discussed the idea with Trustee Beyers, chair of Parks and Buildings and suggests they should work together. The grant can include improvements to Route 66 Park and the Depot (Library) in regard to promoting them as tourist attractions. The grant may also be able to include improvements to downtown infrastructure (i.e. sidewalks) as long as it is an improvement that facilitates access to a "tourist attraction". Trustee Patterson would like to include the downtown and various historic buildings in the development of a Historic Walking Tour, with informational markers. She explained that the historic walking tour is considered a Tourist Attraction in association with the grant and could include historic information about the Interurban, the Price-Prather Home, the Railroad Depot, among other things.

Trustee Patterson introduced the village logo. The board decided on the style and color for letterhead and business

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cards.

**PARKS & BUILDINGS (Janice Beyers):** Trustee Beyers met with an arborist regarding the trees at the lake. He suggested planting trees in front of the white pines and also suggested to leave the east side alone and let nature take care of it and just clean up the south side.

Trustee Beyers said the replacement blinds have been ordered for the Community Center.

Trustee Beyers reminded everybody that the Christmas Tree lighting will be on December 6.

Trustee Beyers also wanted to thank the Williamsville Community Foundation for decorating the village.

**STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Mark Esker):** Trustee Esker said he had a letter from Greene & Bradford regarding the oiled and rocked streets. The letter states the rock used meets the specifications of CA16 except it has finer material in it than allowed by the specs. It also states the we told them .25 gallons per square yard instead of 3.0 gallons per square yard. The company, IRC, said the weather was cool and it had been raining for several weeks. Trustee Esker recommends next year using RC oil instead of the emulsion that had been used.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:**

President Yokley said there will probably have to be a special board meeting to finalize the budget before the next board meeting. He asked the committee chairs to review their budgets and make cuts if at all possible. He said the General Fund is the most concerning. It is about \$193,000 out of balance. The only areas in balance is TIF, Water and Sewer. The Sewer will not be in balance if the loan is paid off. If the loan is paid off along with the amount of indebtedness that we have from the TIF, the sewer fund will still have about \$260,000.

Trustee Beyers moved to go into Executive Session under Section C of the Open Meetings Act to discuss personnel matters, second by trustee Butterfield.

The regular board meeting reconvened at 9:05 pm.

Trustee Butterfield moved to approve the FY2010 proposed payroll as referenced: Greg Ausmus \$14.25, Kent Thompson will be at \$52,200 a year, David Smith will be at \$16.75 per hour, Karen Humphres will be at \$33,500 a year, Heidi Dowel \$6,500 a year, Nate Scott will be \$16.75 per hour, Richard Edwards, \$49,0000 a year, David Bruce Smith will be at \$15.00 per hour, a 4<sup>th</sup> police office, if hired, will be at \$13.50, Carol Beal will be at \$11.20 per hour, Bob Tibbs will be at \$10.75 per hour, John O'Neal will be at \$10.75 per hour, Matt Langan \$8.50 per hour, 2 more part time employees at \$8.25 per hour each, Lori Cleeton-Beal will be at \$10.75 per hour, second by Trustee Esker. All ayes, motion carried.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By

Carol Beal, Clerk