

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
July 27, 2015**

The Town Hall/Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Tom Yokley. Present: Deputy Clerk: Pat Taft. Trustees: Dave Carter, Matt Bunger, Valerie Patterson, Skylar Tierney. Employees: Kent Thompson, Mel Butterfield. Absent: John Brennan, Patrick Gettleman.

GUESTS: Byron Painter, Gerry Turner, Michael Morgan, Mark Mierzejewski.

Trustee Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled board meeting on July 13, 2015. Trustee Bunger seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: President Yokley shared good news that the officer who was ill is recovering and expected to return to work in about 3 days.

GUESTS COMMENTS/CONCERNS: Michael Morgan lives on Casson Street and moved there about 4 years ago. He thanked the Village Board for the ongoing communication in the Newsletters and asked what the new 2-story structure at the Park is to be used for and what he should expect since his home backs up to the Park. President Yokley said that the Junior Football League (JFL) will have practices and games from approximately mid-August until the end of October. There will be lots of "in and out" traffic and practices every night. Games are Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and "Kick-Off" is August 15. Trustee Carter said that 162 kids picked up equipment. President Yokley said they don't do a lot of announcing and the structure is for scorekeeping as well. Mr. Morgan asked if there is an agreement to have increased police presence; he said there was a County Sheriff there. President Yokley said that we have not heard of a problem but that we will check into it. Mark Mierzejewski asked if the Village could put up a couple of "Slow – Children at Play" signs.

Gerry Turner asked about the possibility of the Village getting water to Athens. President Yokley said that this is just in the discussion stages and came about when Athens was having problems a few years ago. Representatives from CWLP, Sherman, Athens, Fancy Creek Water District, and Williamsville did meet and grants (currently unavailable) must be available for this to happen. Trustee Bunger indicated that getting free money is not going to happen. President Yokley said we would have to get an obligation from all of the customers and secure costs and we need to have 90-95% participation. Mr. Turner said we could also raise the awareness about the benefits to the Village and the homeowners. President Yokley said we will look at it again, but not until fall, and then maybe have an open meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE (Skylar Tierney): Trustee Tierney asked if we got the generator for the Library from Noonans. President Yokley said that the electrician was going over the final specs to make sure that it is correct and will get back with us by the end of the week. Trustee Tierney moved to approve the monthly bills. Trustee Carter seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY (John Brennan): President Yokley indicated that there is no report.

WATER & SEWER (Matt Bunger): Trustee Bunger said that the Village received a letter from the City of Springfield dated July 15, 2015 indicating the change in rates for the new fiscal year, effective March 1, 2015, went from \$4.397 per 100 cubic feet to \$4.539 per 100 cubic feet. In previous meetings they said that it could possibly have been higher. The retroactive amount to March 1 is \$8,630.47, about one-fourth of what it was last year. That rate will be absorbed by the Village of Williamsville and then we will look at next year's rate.

Kent Thompson said that they will continue working on GIS the 2nd or 3rd week in August. The sewer portion is almost done.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Valerie Patterson): Trustee Patterson is looking into possibly getting a Williamsville mural painted downtown behind the Bella Trattoria building and hoping that maybe Tyler Casson could design it. President Yokley suggested she talk with Augie Casson. Trustee Patterson also asked for an update on the downtown street overlay project. President Yokley said that we are waiting on the railroad and they were supposed to be here the 20th of July. He will contact McLoud about it --we have been told that they will be doing the job. Mark Mierzejewski asked what project? Trustee Patterson said the pedestrian crossing at the railway and then an overlay of the downtown area, with striping and curb painting, etc. Mr. Mierzejewski asked if this is covered by the grant. Trustee Patterson indicated that it is and includes a teardrop pedestrian crossing on Walnut. We hope that the work is completed before the Fall Festival.

PARKS & RECREATION (Dave Carter): Trustee Carter asked that we continue to put the tennis courts on the agenda. We have been trying to get bids but people are very busy right now. He also said they have a bid from Rainbow Seamless Gutters of \$1,206.25 for the Park Buildings and made a motion to approve this bid. Trustee Tierney seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried. President Yokley said there are a few things that need to be done on the buildings before the downspouts can be installed. The heating and cooling bid is for \$1,885.66 and Trustee Carter moved that the Board approve this amount for the JFL Building. Trustee Tierney seconded. All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Mierzejewski asked about the work on the tennis courts and the estimated cost and was told that it was resurfacing work – resealing and striping. It's been budgeted for 5 years; the problem is finding a company to do it.

STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Patrick Gettleman): President Yokley said this report is on hold because Trustee Gettleman is not present and we're still waiting on another bid on the curbing on Main Street (TIF Funds). This should go on the next agenda. Trustee Bunger asked if the Love's bid has gone out yet. President Yokley said that it has and we should have results before the next meeting. He asked Kent Thompson if we are still waiting on the final MFT. Kent said the Governor has seized all MFT funds for this year too. That is \$77,000 for us, so we may not be doing any oiling.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By
Pat Taft, Deputy Village Clerk