

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
October 13, 2015**

The Town Hall/board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Tom Yokley. Present: Clerk: Karen Humphres. Trustees: Dave Carter, Patrick Gettleman, John Brennan, Valerie Patterson, Matt Bunger. Absent: Skylar Tierney

GUESTS: See attached.

Trustee Brennan moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of September 28, 2015, second by Trustee Carter. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Gettleman moved to approve the minutes of the Executive Session board meeting on September 28, 2015. Trustee Brennan seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS: President Yokley announced that “Boo on the Boulevard” will be held on Saturday, October 24th. He also stated JFL will have an event on the same evening.

GUESTS COMMENTS/CONCERNS: Craig Jennings, 39 Birch Lane, complimented the Police Department on the work they do in keeping everyone safe. He inquired about changing the nuisance ordinance to 6 a.m. instead of 7 a.m. This will be referred to a Public Safety Committee meeting.

Craig Jennings stated the police have more important things to do than deal with complaints. President Yokley stated the police department takes into consideration valid and invalid complaints.

Mark Mierzejewski inquired about the JFL grand stands. President Yokley stated they are permanent and will be scraped and painted in the spring. Mark inquired about the \$50,000 that was approved for the tennis courts. President Yokley stated this was a mistake in the paper. The correct amount was \$34,050.00. Mark inquired why so much money was allocated to the tennis courts and no money was allocated to the sand volleyball court. President Yokley stated we needed to repair the tennis courts before we lose them. He stated we need to maintain the equipment we currently have instead of starting new projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE (Skylar Tierney): Trustee Patterson made a motion to pay bills as presented. Trustee Carter seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Patterson introduced an ordinance levying taxes for the fiscal year January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. This ordinance will be passed at the next board meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY (John Brennan): Trustee Brennan shared the Incident Analysis report for September.

Trustee Brennan stated they are currently working on the status of ordinances for traffic violations. Sangamon County receives most of the revenue from violations. Williamsville Police Department will work with Sherman Police Department to possibly start writing ordinance violations for speeding less than 20 mph over speed limit, improper parking, possession of cannabis under 30 grams, etc. This will ensure that the money received from violations will go directly Sherman or directly to Williamsville, not the county. Williamsville will be working directly with Sherman on this project. Each department will maintain fines within their own jurisdictions. An administrative law judge would have to be acquired. The cost of the administrative law judge would be shared between the two villages.

WATER & SEWER, (Matt Bunger): Trustee Bunger stated he is working on a letter for the residents of Andrew. A “shell” document was supposed to be sent from CWLP.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Valerie Patterson): Trustee Patterson complimented the Village on the improvements of the trail.

Trustee Patterson also thanked the Village for the baby changing stations that are being installed in the Community Center.

Trustee Patterson shared Economic Development’s 2016 budget recommendations. Items listed are: downtown street overlay, Route 66 promotion, police station façade and signage, downtown building mural, and downtown TIF projects.

Trustee Patterson stated that currently there are no unfinished TIF projects that have been requested by businesses. She stated TIF funds are available for projects if any business would like to apply.

Trustee Patterson shared the Route 66 Visitors Guide. She stated there is one article regarding places to visit in the guide. She has created an entire list of things she would like added in the guide. She has a meeting tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. with Scenic Byways to discuss the items she would like to add.

Trustee Patterson would like to move forward with getting the Village newsletter electronic. She shared the statistics of ages/etc. in regards to residents of Williamsville with the board. She stated she would like to discuss this idea with the office staff.

PARKS & RECREATION (Dave Carter): Trustee Carter thanked the Village for the improvements on the trail.

Trustee Carter stated the JFL football field has been seeded and reseeded. He complimented the Village on their completion of the football field for a great football season, which was completed in approximately 4-5 months.

Trustee Carter stated some evergreens have been removed at the park around the tennis courts. He stated the removal of the trees was recommended by the contractor who is starting the project of the resurfacing of courts.

STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Patrick Gettleman): Trustee Gettleman made a motion to accept the road closures on October 24th for Boo on the Boulevard. (See attached.) Trustee Carter seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Gettleman introduced an ordinance renaming Ann Rutledge Road to Ann Rutledge West. This ordinance will be passed at the next board meeting.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Trustee Brennan made a motion to cancel the first meeting in November. (November 9th) Trustee Bunger seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley reminded everyone as they work on the budget that no further expenditures will be authorized until the State passes a budget. Only expenses that will be authorized are necessary expenditures. He stated the only funds the Village is receiving are Village Fuel Tax, and property taxes. He stated that if things continue, small communities will have no choice but be forced to lay-offs. He asked that everyone contact legislators and the Governor to express their concerns.

Trustee Carter asked if Illinois Municipal League is in the process of addressing these concerns.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By
Karen Humphres, Village Clerk