

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR  
THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE (REVISED)  
August 22, 2022**

The Town Hall/board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Yokley Clerk: Karen Winger.  
Trustees Present or via telephone: Tierney, Gettleman, Carter, Bunger, Brennan Absent: Hofferkamp

**GUESTS:** See attached list.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** President Yokley stated he believed the main reason everyone was attending the meeting was to discuss the topic of garbage, which is not on the agenda. He stated a Public Forum will be held before any decisions would be made regarding garbage. He allowed ten people to speak, each having three minutes.

Trustee Tierney opened the discussion regarding garbage to give a status update. He stated it was brought to the Village's attention that similar communities are considering (or already having) a single waste hauler. He stated it's a potential cost savings to the Village and to residents. He feels it's only appropriate that as elected officials, they need to at least explore the options. He stated a committee meeting was held to discuss weigh limits in the alleys, in which Republic Services attended. (All three companies were invited.) The Village has started to draft the RFP. The RFP (Request for Proposal) is not completed yet. He reminded everyone that we are currently in the drafting phase of this process. After that we will capture all the data, and then make the community all aware at a Community Hearing. He is very disappointed how Lake Area handled the situation, from the communication they made to the Village Staff and also the letter that was mailed to their customers. He feels they have handled this very unprofessionally especially after they didn't attend the Committee meeting that was held. He stated we should go through the process and explore the options, to look for any cost savings for every single resident.

Trustee Carter thanked everyone for attending and invited them to attend board meetings more often. He also pointed out that the Village Board has not voted on a single hauler.

Nine guests were allowed to speak – George Krebs, Gary Durchholz, Rebecca Dombrowski, Joseph Dombrowski, Richard Rump, Mike Felix, Sharon McMillan, Candace Thatcher, Carol Harris, and one additional guest (name not on attendance sheet). They expressed their concerns regarding the topic of one single hauler. Overall, they all expressed the same concerns – keeping business local, cost, allowing them to make their own decisions, etc. President Yokley reminded everyone the contract would more than likely be a five-year contract. The waste hauler cannot raise rates during the duration of the contract.

Candice Thatcher (108 Oakwood) also asked that the Village look into a situation she has with a sidewalk.

Rebecca Dombrowski stated Republic Services are currently involved in suits with the Federal EPA. They were accepting radioactive waste in two Missouri landfills and not permitted to do so. She feels that once Republic Services has to pay the Feds for the clean-up, they will pass this cost on to their customers.

Joseph Dombrowski inquired about a few topics besides garbage. He inquired about the RFP, the resolution that is on the agenda regarding surplus property, and the possible hydrant fees.

Larry Barregarye (302 Casson Street) inquired about some directional signs for the park. He states that citizens drive down his road trying to find the entrance to the park. The Village will look into installing some signs on Main Street.

Trustee Tierney made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on August 8, 2022. Trustee Brennan seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Carter shared a distribution breakdown of Williamsville residents' property taxes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY (John Brennan):** Trustee Brennan stated the Sangamon County Mitigations Plan is progressing. He stated a rough draft will be available in September. He stated the plan gets updated every five years.

**WATER & SEWER (Matt Bunger):** Trustee Bunger stated he will be scheduling a committee meeting within the next three weeks.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Hofferkamp):** Trustee Hofferkamp was absent.

President Yokley stated the Village did not receive the Downtown Improvement Grant that was applied for. He stated we are still taking TIF applications for downtown improvement projects.

**PARKS & RECREATION (Dave Carter):** Trustee Carter thanked everyone for the tree removal at the park.

**STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Patrick Gettleman):** Trustee Gettleman stated he had nothing new to report except some bids will be sent out for some street projects – Main Street and Ann Rutledge West.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:** Trustee Tierney made a motion to approve Resolution #2022-02, a Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Real Estate Pursuant to Contract for Sale of Real Estate. Trustee Carter seconded the motion. Ayes: Tierney, Carter, Brennan No: Bunger, Gettleman Absent: Hofferkamp Resolution failed, not passed.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Winger