

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
March 14, 2022**

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

GUESTS: Roy Pyers and Craig Jennings attended the meeting to share some upcoming events that the Foundation has scheduled. Roy stated the Easter event will be held on Saturday, April 9th. Craig Jennings discussed the Picnic in the Park. He stated this event will also be informational. He stated they will be supporting the Fire Department, helping promote more volunteers. He also suggested the Trustees to have a table set up at the picnic to share with the public what is going on in the Village. He said this will give the public a chance to see what they do and to also thank them for what they do. They also discussed the pie in the face event at the picnic. They will be looking for volunteers for the pie in the face. They state this was a large money maker last year.

COMMUNICATIONS: No communications to report.

Trustee Brennan made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on February 28, 2022. Trustee Bunger seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

Trustee Tierney stated the Finance committee will be scheduling a joint meeting with the Water & Sewer committee to discuss water and sewer rates.

PUBLIC SAFETY (John Brennan): Trustee Brennan stated Sangamon County Regional Commission will be updating the Sangamon County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Trustee Brennan stated he has served on the committee in the past and will be serving on the committee once again.

Trustee Brennan made a motion to pass Resolution # 2022-01, a Resolution authorizing preparation of Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Trustee Carter seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried. President Yokley stated the letter from Sangamon County states that they are looking for the other 25% of funding. President Yokley stated he has inquired about this, and was told this will not cost the Village anything, the Village will be credited for Trustee Brennan's time.

Trustee Brennan inquired about the legal liability of Lexipol. Randy Segatto stated he has read the contract and there is no exclusion to the Lexipol contract.

Trustee Brennan stated his committee is moving forward with the speed limit reductions.

WATER & SEWER (Matt Bunger): Trustee Bunger stated his committee will be scheduling a Water/Sewer Committee meeting. The committee will look at the expenses, etc. of the water and sewer fund.

Kent Thompson gave an update on the sewer plant project. He stated Leander Construction ran into a problem with the actuators. They will be looking into a solution for the issue.

Kent Thompson stated he is still waiting for estimates for a Muffin Monster or a grate for the I-55 sewer lift. President Yokley

stated letters have been delivered to the businesses on the west side of the interstate in regards to items being put into our sewer system. Kent Thompson suggested creating an ordinance if another business decides to build on the west side of the interstate, stating they have to install a sewer grate or grinder system in order to avoid the items reaching our lift station.

President Yokley stated he has talked to an owner of eight homes in Andrew. He told them the Village is trying to get them water. The owner stated he has no interest in paying. President Yokley stated since that homeowner not interested, the project cannot happen since 60% participation is needed in order to qualify for grants. Kevin Kuhn stated if Andrew would incorporate, they could receive a 100% grant. Kevin Kuhn stated he has met with Athens and they are not interested in CWLP water.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Hofferkamp): Trustee Hofferkamp stated the Business Breakfast was held. She stated good conversations were made at the meeting. Natalie Albers (Library) attended the meeting also to share all the opportunities the library has to offer for our business owners. Trustee Hofferkamp stated the library is really working hard on finding ways to support our local businesses.

Trustee Hofferkamp told the school that the track students could use our trail for their practice.

Inquiries have been made regarding police call boxes being installed on the trail. The Police Department will look into police call boxes. Signage for the trail was discussed. We will be looking into the proper signage.

PARKS & RECREATION (Dave Carter): Trustee Carter stated the Village will be receiving Large Mouth Bass and Channel Catfish for the new lake. We may be purchasing Grass Carp for the old lake. We will be working with DNR and their recommendations.

Trustee Carter thanked Trustee Hofferkamp for the great breakfast. He stated it was really nice and well done.

STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Patrick Gettleman): Trustee Gettleman stated he met with Kent, Kevin, and Tom to discuss upcoming projects. Kevin Kuhn is working on an estimate for the repairs needed on the west side of Love's.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: President Yokley stated it is time we start thinking about what we are going do with garbage haulers in our alleys. He stated this is costing the Village a lot of money and time. He stated with some inquiries the garbage service would be locked into a specific rate for five years (any increases would be included). If you go with a sole source, all the municipal dumpsters, events, and All Town Clean Up dumpsters would be included. He stated this may not be the most popular, but definitely the most economical. He says he thinks the board needs to consider this, for the best interest of the Village. Trustee Gettleman mentioned that we start getting quotes from these companies. Trustee Hofferkamp stated we need to have public hearings to discuss this. If the Village would move forward with a sole garbage company, we will go out for bid. President Yokley stated we need to get the garbage trucks out of the alleys. Discussion was made regarding this topic. President Yokley stated the one company we talked to, gave a rough estimate of approximately \$16-19/a month.

President Yokley stated it has been suggested that we have an ordinance regarding roll-off dumpsters. We have residents who will rent a dumpster, and the dumpster may sit there for a year or two. The dumpsters get full, and then trash blows out of the dumpster, animals get into the dumpster, etc. An ordinance will be drafted to permit this from happening for long periods of time. Randy Segatto mentioned requiring permits for dumpsters. President Yokley stated the ordinance needs to state that if it's an open dumpster, it will need to be covered. He suggested we have two tiers, one for construction and one for waste. An ordinance will be drafted.

President Yokley stated Sangamon County Public Health will be meeting with us tomorrow to discuss the necessary upgrades needed to our Community Center kitchen. He stated Dave May will also be here.

President Yokley stated Kent Thompson has met with Mel Mast and Dave May regarding the Depot. President Yokley stated this project will be a major investment. Randy Segatto stated Prairieland contacted him and refered him to another title company, due to Prairieland being too busy. Research will be performed regarding agreement with railroad company and the right-of-way. Roy Pyers mentioned an idea about a long- term lease (60 years for example) instead of selling the Depot.

Trustee Carter inquired about vacant homes that are in need of repair in Williamsville. He was inquiring what legal rights we have for these situations. Randy Segatto stated if the house isn't deemed "unsafe", then there's nothing we can do. Randy Segatto mentioned possible ideas. Randy stated you can walk around the property, but not allowed to be on the property.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Winger