

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR
THE VILLAGE OF WILLIAMSVILLE
March 28, 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, Bungler, Tierney.

GUESTS: John Russo, resident of Williamsville, attended the meeting. He wanted to express his appreciation of the large canisters that Republic Services offers, and that he hopes the Village will continue to let residents keep Republic.

Fire Chief Jeremiah Haggard attended the meeting. He introduced himself. He will be appointed ESDA Coordinator at the next board meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS: President Yokley presented a “Tree City” plaque to Jean Forness and Natalie Albers (Library). They initiated the process to become a Tree City. Marla Smith submitted the application.

Natalie Albers and Jean Forness gave an update on what events/projects have been happening at the library and what events/projects are coming up. They discussed their upcoming outdoor education area that is currently in the process.

Trustee Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on March 14, 2022. Trustee Hofferkamp seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Tony Moore from Republic Services attended the meeting to discuss a service they provide. He stated municipal contracts are something that is new to Sangamon County. He stated with this, they partner with residents, and would be the sole provider in the Village. He stated that Republic partners with Sangamon County landfill, which allows them to give back to the community. An RFP would be created, and garbage companies would bid. Tony stated that Republic would supply each customer a garbage and recycle canister, which are both maintained by Republic. He stated Republic partners with Midwest Fiber for the recycling. He stated if the Village were to go with Republic, they would supply all of the roll-off dumpsters needed for the “All Town Clean-up”. He also mentioned that if a resident is handicapped or elderly, and the trash/recycle canisters are in plain sight, the garbage hauler will dump their canisters for them. Republic would offer weekly garbage pick-up and every other week for recycling pick-up.

Trustee Tierney and Trustee Hofferkamp stated we would need to hold a community event and be very transparent with this.

Tony Moore stated they typically do five-year contracts. This will be for curb-side only, no more alley pick-up.

President Yokley stated we have to get garbage trucks out of the alleys, due to the costly repairs they cause. He also stated if the Village decides to go to one garbage hauler, Randy Segatto will create the RFP.

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 made a motion to approve a \$150 donation (The Benny Goodman Sponsor) to the Williamsville High School Jazz Band. Trustee Hofferkamp seconded the motion. All ayes, motion carried.

Trustee Tierney stated the Finance Committee, along with the Water/Sewer Committee, met to discuss water and sewer rates. They are recommending a 15% sewer increase and a 10% water increase. An ordinance will be drafted, and will be voted on at

the next board meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY (John Brennan): Trustee Brennan made a motion to approve the WPD Policy Manual, seconded by Trustee Carter. All ayes, motion carried.

President Yokley stated there is a law enforcement agency who has reached out to us in regards to the squad car we plan to sell. He said we will have more details at the next board meeting.

Chief Edwards stated the new squad vehicle that we ordered in Texas, is currently waiting on the cage to be installed.

WATER & SEWER (Matt Bunger): Trustee Bunger stated his committee met with the Finance Committee to look at water and sewer rates.

Kent Thompson gave an update on the sewer plant project. The sewer plant will start to be in operation, however; not in full operation as of yet.

Kent Thompson stated he has reached out to a contractor about replacing the roof on a brick building at the sewer plant. He is still waiting on a quote.

Trustee Bunger stated some rough estimates are coming in for the grinder pump for the lift station. He stated the rough estimate is around 35,000-40,000. Kent Thompson is working with Petersburg Plumbing for the installation quote, and another company for the actual equipment purchase. This estimate is for a grinder. The grinder pump will destroy the disposable wipes, etc.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Hofferkamp): President Yokley stated he has received an inquiry about a Community Garden. He has asked Trustee Hofferkamp to gather more information and discuss this at the next board meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION (Dave Carter): Trustee Carter discussed dirt for the ball diamonds.

STREETS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS & STORM SEWERS (Patrick Gettleman): Trustee Gettleman stated Kevin Kuhn will have cost estimates to repair West Rutledge by the end of next month.

Kent Thompson would like to meet with Trustee Gettleman to talk about the MFT plan regarding sidewalks.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: President Yokley stated the dumpster ordinance will be tabled until next meeting, due to some changes need to be made to the ordinance.

President Yokley stated Sangamon County Department of Public Health came out to give advice regarding the Community Center kitchen upgrade. There are no updates that are mandatory in order to be in compliance. He stated part of a wall will be removed, along with the deep freeze. He stated a commercial deep freeze will probably be purchased.

The regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Williamsville adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Winger

