

January 13, 2004

The regular meeting of the Village of Hamilton Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Getchonis at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Hall.

### **Present**

Mayor Getchonis, Trustees McVaugh, Basher, Collins and Olivieri, Clerk-Treasurer Winn, Director of Utilities and Public Works Graham, Steve Lorraine of Madison County Soil and water, EveAnn Schwartz executive Director of the PCD, Russ Lura of the Madison County Planning Department.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion was made to approve the agenda with the addition of the PCD was made by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee Collins and carried.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Motion was made to approve the minutes from December 9, 2003 by Trustee McVaugh, seconded by Trustee Basher and carried with the following changes.

Page 3, #4-under Trustee McVaugh. *Add David Bottar from the CNY Regional Planning Board.*  
Trustee McVaugh- *Strike PCD having no more festivals.*

Under Sean Graham add that *Ann Julian would tie her sump pump discharge into the Village of Hamilton storm sewer.*

### **New Business**

1. Steve Lorraine-Soil and Water Conservation District. Mr. Lorraine stated that the county has a disaster plan that the Village will need to participate in, in order to be eligible for any FEMA Funding. This is at no cost to the Village and Director Graham will be the contact person. The Board was in agreement to participate in this plan.

2. Eve Ann Schwartz-PCD. – EveAnn stated that the PCD would like to have the Cabin Fever Festival on February 28, 2004. Motion was made to allow the PCD to use the green by Trustee McVaugh, seconded by Trustee Collins and carried.

Second motion was made by Trustee McVaugh, seconded by Trustee Basher to pursue having a skating rink during these events contingent upon David Craine advice and insurance coverage. Trustee Olivieri voted against this motion. motion.

3. Russ Lura-Madison County Planning Dept. Mr. Lura stated that Lots #10,9,8,7 & 2 at the business park have been included in the Empire Zone. Mr. Lura also expressed concern with the development at the Park, discussion followed.

### **Board News, Reports and Etc.**

1. Mayor Getchonis. Mayor Getchonis stated that he has been in contact with One Liberty (Re:Wisebuys) they are interested in the Ames plaza. Ace Hardware may also be a possibility should this lease fall through. Mayor Getchonis also stated that a Family Dollar is very interested in coming here.

Mayor Getchonis stated that he received a letter from John Reinhart who is the zone

administration coordinator for the county, Mr. Reinhart is looking for buildings that could qualify for Empire Zone Status.

Mayor Getchonis stated that he discussed proposed sales tax changes that Clerk\Treasurer Winn has been working on with Walt Jaquay from the Town of Hamilton. Mr. Jaquay expressed interest in assisting the Village.

Mayor Getchonis also stated that there was a water leak at the Village Office and that the Insurance Co. has been contacted. Mayor Getchonis stated that he felt that the building could be sold and a new building could be built.

2. Trustee John Basher. Trustee Basher stated that Colgate University has donated a used recycle truck to the Village.

3. Trustee Peggy Olivieri. Trustee Olivieri stated that the Fire Department has purchased new turnout gear. Trustee Olivieri also stated that the Ladder truck was inspected and passed.

Trustee Olivieri also stated that the new diesel exhaust system is being installed at the Firestation.

Trustee Olivieri stated that the Planning Board met on December 18, 2003 and approved the site plan for the proposed motel.

Trustee Olivieri also stated that a new designation zone, B6 was created for the industrial park and other areas were rezoned. Property South of Wings Way will become B2 which will be commercial.

Trustee Oliveri also stated that the Planning Board would be lead agency of environmental review for the Sacco development.

4. Trustee McVaugh. Trustee McVaugh stated that the Airpark Committee met yesterday, she has also met with the PCD. EveAnn Schwartz from the PCD suggested the Commission create a list and prioritize the projects at the Airpark in order to target one project for possible funding.

Trustee McVaugh also stated that Stella Brink has resigned from the Airpark Commission.

Trustee McVaugh also stated that there was a meeting with Steve Brink. Mr. Brink is interested in purchasing the building and that he paid 2 months rent.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the PCD met last night. Trustee McVaugh stated that the PCD will be using the IDA funds for their operating budget.

Trustee McVaugh also stated that the PCD is applying for a grant for the Smith Block in Earlville.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the wrong benches were ordered for Bump Out.

Trustee McVaugh also stated that the Rogers façade has been sent out for bid.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the Colgate Alumni Board will be giving \$5,000 to the PCD.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the Palace Theater would not be hosting so many teen nights and public events.

Trustee McVaugh stated that she feels that no bump out should be in front of Nichols and Beal because it would encourage people to walk across the intersection.

5. Trustee Collins. Trustee Collins stated that Joan Prindle from the Historical Commission was on channel 10 news talking about the Chocolate train wreck.

Trustee Collins also stated that Joan Prindle is updating the obituary book.

Trustee Collins stated that at the Library meeting they discussed financial problems. There is \$66,000 remaining in debt.

## **Reports**

1. Village Clerk/Treasurers Report – Ronda Winn. Clerk/Treasurer Winn stated that the rate increase will be submitted to the PSC on Thursday.

Clerk/Treasurer Winn also stated that the Board received a copy of an employee handbook that the Village of Springfield uses and that the Village of Hamilton could use this as a guideline to create

there own.

2. DPW/MUC – Sean Graham. Director Graham stated that Mark Sternburg requested that the Board move to support the Sacco rezoning. Motion was made to support the rezoning by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee Olivieri and carried.

Director Graham also stated that the sale of the property to the Masons needs a release from the FAA. Motion was made by Trustee McVaugh, seconded by Trustee Basher and carried to allow Mayor Getchonis to sign a task order from McFarland and Johnson to obtain release from the FAA.

Director Graham stated that the MUC has made a recommendation to the Village Board to extend the hydro agreement with the NYS power authority. Motion was made by Trustee McVaugh, seconded by Trustee Basher and carried to extend the agreement and to authorize Mayor Getchonis to sign the agreement.

Director Graham also stated that a letter was sent to Mr. Brito about the Airport, looking for funding for the design of the infrastructure.

### **Approval of Claims**

Motion was made to approve the claims for the month of December was made by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee McVaugh and carried.

### **Executive Session**

Motion was made to go into Executive session by Trustee Olivieri, seconded by Trustee Basher and carried.

Motion to exit executive session was made by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee Olivieri and carried.

### **Adjournment**

There being no additional business to come before the Board of Trustees, motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m. by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee McVaugh and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

DiAnn Brown  
Secretary