

June 11, 2002

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 Kuiper, McVaugh, Reilly and Basher. Director of Utilities and Public Works Graham, Clerk-Treasurer Winn, Roger Bauman of Hamilton Initiative, and Scott Powell of Maxwell's.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a wedding request and the addition of Roger Bauman, Hamilton Initiative was made by Trustee Basher, seconded by Trustee Kuiper, and carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of May 14, 2002 was made by Trustee Basher and seconded by Trustee Kuiper and carried.

### **Public Comment**

1. Roger Bauman stated that there was a problem with the handicapped entrance to the Bookstore Building with respects to the sidewalk and the finished floor elevation. Mr. Bauman proposed to raise the sidewalk in order to meet the ADA requirements. The board expressed concerns regarding the height of the sidewalk in comparison with the base of the streetlight, it seemed to create a catch all for debris and there were concerns with maintenance access to the wiring and pedestrian traffic. Mr. Bauman proposed installing plantings in this area and will write a formal agreement between the Village and Hamilton Initiative stating If this proves unacceptable to the Village of Hamilton other options would be considered at Hamilton Initiative's expense. Motion was made to approve the agreement in writing was made by Trustee Kuiper and seconded by Trustee McVaugh. Trustee Basher was opposed to the motion.

2. Scott Powell the owner of Maxwell's Chocolates stated that he would like to create an organization called the Grass Root Gardeners. He proposed the planting of daffodils and daylilies in the village. Mr. Powell presented a five-year plan. Motion was made to proceed with the plan was made by Trustee Kuiper, seconded by Trustee Reilly and carried.

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

1. Mayor Getchonis. Mayor Getchonis stated that the Library Dedication was very well attended. Mayor Getchonis also stated that Director Graham was commended for his contribution to the project.

Mayor Getchonis stated that he and Clerk-Treasurer Winn attended the College Communities Session sponsored by NYCOM. Mayor Getchonis stated that all college communities generally have the same problems.

Mayor Getchonis also stated that he and Clerk-Treasurer Winn went to grievance day at the Town of Madison. Mayor Getchonis stated that in order to qualify for exemption at the Airport the parcels need to be refigured.

Mayor Getchonis stated that the PCD would need to go to the Planning Board before a Public hearing is scheduled for the Bump Out.

Mayor Getchonis also stated that he received a letter from Walt and Gladys Jaquay regarding property on Mill Street.

Mayor Getchonis also stated that American Express – *Travel and Leisure* published a list of 30 great inns one of which is the Poolville Country Store.

2. Trustee Basher. Trustee Basher stated that the MUC is working on the pole and franchise agreement.

3. Streetscape. Trustee Basher stated that the Village Green is looking good and that people are enjoying the park.

4. Trustee Kuiper. Trustee Kuiper stated that the Planning Board will discuss on June 27<sup>th</sup> the Proposed Sign Law and the Bump Outs.

Trustee Kuiper also stated that the PCD has received a grant for a sound system for the park.

5. Trustee McVaugh. Airport/Airpark. Trustee McVaugh stated that Airport Committee is working on some FBO options and that the meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

Trustee McVaugh also stated that Keib Air Service has been sent a bill for \$46,000 for back taxes.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the Business Park lot behind Vantines is being appraised.

6. Recreation. Trustee McVaugh stated that Recreation registration would be June 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Attendees not in the Town or Village will pay a higher rate. Trustee McVaugh also stated that the Rec. program will take place at Eaton Street and that the Pilot Program will be offered again this year.

Trustee McVaugh stated that the Eaton Street sub committee has met. Trustee McVaugh also stated that Director of Utilities and Public Works Graham has drafted a policy statement for the use of Eaton Street Field.

7. Trustee Reilly. Library. Trustee Reilly stated that the Library dedication went very well.

8. Police Report. Trustee Reilly stated that Graduation and Alumni weekend went well.

Trustee Reilly stated that he would like to advertise for a parking officer. Trustee Reilly also stated that the job would be part time with benefits.

Trustee Reilly stated that the Colgate Inn has requested permission to hold the Block Party again this year. Trustee Reilly stated that the Police Department has many concerns and would like to meet with Doug Rusch and work out some of the details. Trustee Reilly also stated that he would like to see another Police officer on duty the night of the Block Party. Trustee Reilly stated that he would contact Mr. Rusch. Motion was made to allow the Block Party by Trustee Kuiper and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Trustee McVaugh and Trustee Basher were opposed to the motion.

9. Fire Report. Trustee McVaugh questioned if people should be charged for false alarms. Trustee Basher explained that most of the false alarms are mainly due to aging equipment. Trustee Reilly said that he would discuss the problem with the fire chief.

### **Reports**

1. Village Clerk/Treasurers Report- Ronda Winn. Clerk-Treasurer Winn stated that the Village audit would be July 15, 2002.

2. DPW/MUC – Sean Graham. Director Graham stated that he opened the bid for the Ferris mower was \$3505.51. The cost of the new mower is \$1358.00, which is the difference. Motion was made to accept the bid was made by Trustee Basher and seconded by Trustee McVaugh and carried.

Motion was made to allow Mayor Getchonis to sign the Cingular proposal by Trustee Basher and seconded by Trustee Reilly and carried.

Director Graham stated that the memo of understanding from Shipo was sent to the FAA. Motion was made to allow the Mayor to sign the agreement pending FAA approval was made by Trustee McVaugh and seconded by Trustee Reilly.

Director Graham also stated that the Palace Theater agreement has met all of the requirements on the set of stairs in the alleyway. Motion was made for Mayor Getchonis to sign the agreement by Trustee Basher and seconded by Trustee Reilly and carried.

### **Approval of Claims**

Motion was made by Trustee Kuiper to approve the claims for June and seconded by Trustee McVaugh and carried.

### **New Business**

1. Randallsville Church request. Motion was made to allow the Randallsville Church to have their ice cream social with a fee of \$25.00 by Trustee Basher and seconded by Trustee Reilly and carried.

2. Chenango Music Fest. The Chenango Music Fest is requesting the use of a tent for the Music Fest. Director Graham suggested that the north side of the green should be used. Motion was made to allow the Music Fest to use a tent by Trustee McVaugh and seconded by Trustee Reilly and carried.

3. Sign Law proposed changes. A public hearing for the Sign Law changes will be by July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00.

4. Mayor Getchonis thanked Trustee Kuiper for all of his hard work and dedication for the last four years.

### **Adjournment**

There being no additional business to come before the Board of Trustees, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

DiAnn Brown  
Secretary