

Speeding on Village Streets

The Board discussed the problem of cars speeding through the Village streets especially during the early morning hours. Mr. Taylor said that he and the police officers are to see if they can stop this very dangerous practice.

Trash at Rear of Theater Block

It was moved by H. G. Stokes, seconded by E. D. Clark and passed that a letter be sent to all property owners using the rear of the theatre block for storing their trash requesting their cooperation to overcome the unsightly condition that exists there and that in the future the trash should be kept in covered cans.

Colgate Electric Rates

Mr. Everett Barnes was of the opinion that the Village electric rates for the new Colgate University Athletic Center were higher than other colleges were paying. The Mayor told of a meeting with Mr. Barnes and Mr. John W. S. Littlefield at which statements were presented showing that the Village rates compared favorably with other Colleges for similar types of electric service. A statement showing the electric use for each building for the past five years was very informative to the University since it showed considerable increased use for each building over this period. The Mayor said he believed the University gained a great deal of useful information regarding their electric service at this meeting.

Saton Road Fire Protection

The failure of the Village of Morrisville to pay the Village a charge of \$55.00 for the past two years has brought up the question of fire protection to the farms on Saton Road not now included in any of our fire districts. Mayor Stradling said the property owners are now being represented by Attorney William Burke in order to secure proper fire protection for which the owners pay about \$500 tax a year.

Payment of Bills

It was moved by E. D. Clark, seconded by C. W. Taylor and passed that the bills listed on the following Abstracts of Audited Vouchers be paid: No. 31 - \$362.97, No. 32 - \$1,820.11, No. 33 - \$837.67, No. 34 - \$3,112.57.

On motion, meeting adjourned.



John W. Auer, Clerk

June 14, 1960

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the Village Office on June 14, 1960. Present Mayor R. F. Stradling, Trustees C. W. Taylor, H. G. Stokes and E. D. Clark, Supt. R. H. Albrecht and Clerk J. W. Auer. Trustee F. J. O'Hara was unable to attend. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Hearing on College Street Improvements

Mrs. Gustav Bruckert and Rocco Capirci appeared to seek information about curb construction plans, particularly in respect to trees and driveway entrance widths. Letters of approval of Village plans were received from Colgate University, and the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

It was moved by E. D. Clark, seconded by H. G. Stokes and passed, that curbing be constructed and pavement be laid from Broad Street to the East end of the former Veterans Housing Project.

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Fuel Oil Bids

It was moved by H. G. Stokes, seconded by E. D. Clark and passed that an advertisement be published for bids on the fuel oil requirements for the Village, to be acted upon at the July meeting.

Jamboree Parade

It was moved by E. D. Clark, seconded by C. W. Taylor and passed that the request from Jack Garretson to hold a parade in connection with the Jamboree be granted.

Fireworks Display

The request for permission to have a 4th of July Fireworks display on Colgate Campus, received from John Finger was granted on motion by C. W. Taylor, seconded by H. G. Stokes and passed.

Firemens Exemption

It was moved by C. W. Taylor, seconded by E. D. Clark and passed that the tax rolls be corrected to enter the Firemens Exemption omitted from Kermit Merricks dwelling on Montgomery Street.

Letter Re: Sewer Plant Changes

The advisability of writing a letter to Colgate University outlining the proposed Sewer Plant additions was discussed. It was considered desirable that such a letter be sent.

Sale of Lake Moraine Waterfront

Mr. Hodge's letter outlining suggested methods of disposing of the Village land at the South end of Lake Moraine was discussed. It was decided that letters be sent to adjacent property owners, soliciting offers for this land. All offers are to be received prior to the next Village Board meeting July 12.

Traffic Control Sign at Eaton and Utica St.

It was moved by C. W. Taylor, seconded by H. G. Stokes that the "Yield" sign at the corner of Eaton and Utica Street, be replaced with a "Stop" sign due to the increasing frequency of near accidents.

Planning Commission Report

Mr. Stokes reported on the Planning Commission meeting in which it was recommended that the old Broad Street school building be torn down and the land used as a park. It was pointed out that the land area around the present building is not adequate for parking if the building were to be used commercially, also the traffic hazard to grade school children could be greatly increased. The depreciation of nearby properties would take place as a result of commercial use of this property.

Official recommendation will be made as outlined, at a meeting of the Planning Commission to be held in the near future.

Mr. Stokes also reported that naming of the Village parks will be undertaken by the Historical Commission.

D. K. E. House Alterations

The date for completion of the D. K. E. House alterations for compliance with the Multiple Residence Law was questioned. Consideration of this matter was tabled until the July meeting.

Contribution from the Board of W. L. & S. Comms.

It was moved by E. D. Clark, seconded by H. G. Stokes and passed that the action of the Board of Water, Light and Sewer Comms., using \$5,000 of Water Department funds to meet the budget item of \$6,100 contribution from that Board, be approved.

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June 10, 1960

Mr. John Auer, Clerk
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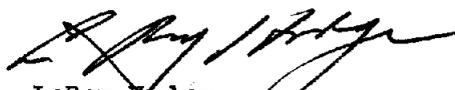
Dear John:

Pursuant to two deeds, the Village of Hamilton owns approximately 5 acres at the head of Lake Moraine. One deed is from John A. Carpenter and wife dated November 22, 1944 and the other deed being from Levi L. Reed dated November 15, 1944. These two deeds include not only the area at the head of the Lake, but ownership of a strip of land onto the East Lake Road. I am unable to state to the Board the exact lake frontage, as the deed from John A. Carpenter only gives the boundaries by adjoining owners. I have been advised that the land area comes to the center of the spillway, but at this writing I have no legal proof that this is correct.

The Board of Trustees has a right under the Village Law to buy real property for municipal purposes and to sell the same when the use of the land is no longer required. The purchase and sale of land is within the discretionary power of the Board and a referendum is not required. In the sale of the land it is solely within the discretionary powers of the Village Board to determine the method or how it should be accomplished. Generally, in a situation of this, open bids are taken at a specified time and place. Briefly, I would suggest and recommend that a sale be advertised and that open bids will be accepted at the Village Office with the highest bid being subject to approval by the Village Board.

I would also like to suggest that Mr. Albrecht and myself go over to the property and determine the measurements of the area before it is advertised.

Very truly yours,


LeRoy Hodge
Village Attorney