

Power Allocation

The following resolution was presented by J. K. Thurner, seconded by R. V. Patrick and unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS the Contract Demand allocated to the Village of Hamilton under Article I, paragraph 3 of St. Lawrence Contract S-16 is currently 7,200 KW, and

WHEREAS additional power is required for the following reasons:

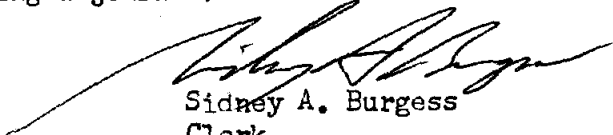
- a. Increased rate of conversion to electric heating systems in residences.
- b. Construction of a chemical science building at Colgate University with a 1000 KVA demand load.
- c. Construction of a subdivision with a 200 KVA load.
- d. Additional load at Community Memorial Hospital.
- e. Construction of low income housing project with a 250 KVA demand.
- f. Construction of senior citizen's housing project with a 250 KVA demand.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Article I. 3 of Contract S-16, the Power Authority of the State of New York be requested to increase the contract demand allocated to the Village of Hamilton from 7,200 KW to 9,000 KW, effective 1 January 1978.

Payment of Bills

It was moved by J. K. Thurner, seconded by R. F. Morton and passed that the bills on the following abstracts of audited vouchers dated November 8, 1977 be paid: Village #10 - \$865.38; Village #11 - \$3,836.34; Trust & Agency #6 - \$4,781.56.

On motion, meeting adjourned.


Sidney A. Burgess
Clerk

December 13, 1977

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on December 13, 1977 at 7:30 P.M. in the Village Office. Present Were Mayor R. B. Palmiter, Trustees M. S. Randall, J. K. Thurner, R. F. Morton and R. V. Patrick and Clerk S. A. Burgess. Engineer J. Rathbone was absent due to illness.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved, on motion by M. S. Randall, seconded by R. V. Patrick and passed.

Unemployment Insurance

Effective January 1, 1978, unemployment insurance coverage is mandatory for all units of local governments. The Clerk explained that the Village is permitted to select one of the following two options.

- A. Contribution Tax Method (3.7% of the first \$6,000.00 paid annually to each employee) The Clerk noted that this method would cost the Village \$6,000.00 to \$7,000.00 per year.
- B. Benefit Reimbursement Method (dollar for dollar reimbursement to the Unemployment Insurance Fund for benefits paid to former village employees.

It was moved by M. S. Randall, seconded by J. K. Thurner and unanimously passed that the "Benefit Reimbursement Method" be selected as the plan for unemployment insurance coverage for all village employees. Present covered employees are as follows:

Richard Briggs	Horace Close
Michael Donovan	Robert Fradenburgh
Charles Rivers	Doris Genter
Lawrence Butts	Robert Holcomb
James Tilbe	Carol Albrecht
Richard Brantis	George Flummer
Lelah Hahnle	Carlton Houck
Donald Miller	Marguerite Murphy
Sidney Smith	Michael Wells
John Lawrence	Sidney Burgess
John Rathbone	Lawrence Jennings
Berle Lenning	Lucy Howe

Street Paving

The billing received from Eastern Rock for the street paving contract was discussed. The Engineer indicated that the paving does not meet the specifications required in the bid.

It was decided that this bill be held until deficiencies are corrected with a letter to Eastern Rock identifying the areas where they have not met the specifications.

Salary Meeting

A joint meeting with the Municipal Utilities Commission and the Library Board will be held on January 3, 1978 to discuss salaries for budget purposes for the ensuing year.

Cable TV Committee

Mayor Palmiter reported that the following have been appointed as the Cable TV Committee:

David Leonard	Cindy Ross
Charlie Booth	Karl Lawrence
Susan Naef	Ab Potter

Eaton Street Playground Committee

The following were appointed as the Eaton Street Playground Committee.

Bruce Lamb	Gary Rider
Bruce Wise	Bob Milnar
Chiper Huston	Don Palmateer
Bob Benson	

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief, Dean Shaul reported on the fire department activities during the year. The Department has 73 active firemen on the rolls and 153 alarms were answered during the year. Property value protected in the district is \$10,000,000. and fire loss during the year is estimated at \$145,000,000. Chief Shaul was commended by the Board for the fine job done by the fire department.

The fire budget was discussed. It was noted that, with five months remaining in the fiscal year, the total budget has been exhausted considering the May insurance payment. The Board requested that the Chief estimate his necessary expenses for the next five months so that funds may be appropriated for the remainder of the year.

Police

Police Chief, Robert Holcomb, was present during this portion of the meeting.

Chief Holcomb requested that the annual village audit include the Justice records.

It was moved by J. K. Thurner, seconded by R. F. Morton and passed that the audit of the Justice records be included in the annual audit.

Chief Holcomb requested that a light be installed at the Police Department entrance. He also asked that the court room door be repaired.