

VILLAGE OF HAMILTON

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

APRIL 11, 1989

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Getchonis in the Village Library at 7:02 pm on April 11, 1989.

Present

Mayor Getchonis, Trustees Baker, Fuller and Erb, Village Engineer Rathbone, Village Attorney Hughes and Village Clerk-Treasurer Kogut.

Citizen Participation

A. A representative of Theta Chi, Chris, regarding Spring Party Weekend, requesting permission for a band in the back yard of their house on Friday, the 28th in the afternoon.

Trustee Baker mentioned that for the last few years the requests have been very responsibly met, and that policy should continue. After discussion, he was informed that their event could be held.

C. Mike Mordus. Questioned the effect of the proposed change in Village assessing status on the grievance procedures.

It was explained that the Village would no longer have its own assessor, maintain its own assessment roll, or conduct its own grievance day. Grievance day will now be held once a year, for the town values only. The Grievance board will be a board of Town and Village people.

B. Library Board. Fred Smart and Bob McVaugh of the Library Board were present to make an official presentation of their budget request for 1989-1990. He explained that Hamilton has one of the lowest operating budgets in the three county area, and provides one of the highest numbers of programs and has higher circulation numbers than most of the libraries in the area as well.

Mayor Getchonis mentioned the annual program the Library conducts was just held on Sunday. He agreed that our Library is a credit to the Village and the area.

The Board advised them that the Library budget request was accepted by the Village Board exactly as it was submitted. Unless there is sufficient reason to change it after the hearing tomorrow night, they can consider the requested adopted.

C. Sandy MacKinnon. Raised a question regarding the proposed Zoning Law changes, particularly the increases for permits for group residents. She was advised that that particular information has not yet been submitted to the Board. However, at the appropriate time, a public hearing will be conducted, giving any and all interested people a chance to be heard on the changes.

Appointments

A. Fire Department Chief Officers. Motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that the following be appointed as Chief Officers of the Hamilton Fire Department:

Chief
 First Assistant Chief
 Second Assistant Chief

Robert E. Holcomb
 John A. Basher
 David N. Holcomb

B. Mark Curtis Resignation. Mayor Getchonis stated that he has not yet received a resignation from Mark Curtis. The Clerk advised that apparently the Planning Board feels that his statement of resignation to them at their last meeting is sufficient.

The Mayor also asked the Trustees to seriously consider candidates for the vacancy.

Reports

A. Treasurer's Report - March 1989. Following discussion, motion was made by Trustee Fuller, seconded by Trustee Baker and carried that the Treasurer's Report for March 1989 be approved.

B. Police Report - March 1989. Motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that the Police Report for March 1989 be approved.

Claims

Motion was made by Trustee Erb, seconded by Trustee Fuller and carried that the claims for March 1989 be approved as follows:

General	\$ 14,697.82
Joint Activity	\$ 557.50

Communications

A. Mayor Getchonis has received a letter from the Madison County Board of Supervisors regarding alcohol awareness.

B. Mary Colletti of Paragon Cable regarding the corporate merger with Time-Life.

C. Letter from Blair Will, 44 Madison Street, regarding an afternoon party on April 28, 1989.

D. Letter from the Municipality of Hamilton, Tasmania regarding the Mayor's letter that was hand delivered to Tasmania recently by Howard Jones.

Old Business

A. Attorney Hughes. Requested time to review Zoning amendments and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Litigation. Also suggested a public hearing for the Village Board to consider the Zoning Law change, possibly prior to the May 9 meeting.

The Board felt that this hearing should be on a separate night since the it will most likely be a lengthy session.

The Attorney also stated that a public hearing should be scheduled for the Tax Assessor issue.

After additional discussion, the Mayor set public hearing dates for the Tax Assessor change and the Sign Law amendments for Tuesday, May 9, 1989 at 7:00 pm and 7:15 pm respectively.

New Business

A. Village Elections. The Clerk indicated that the following

resolutions are required to be acted on at this time:

1. BE IT RESOLVED that Saturday, June 10, 1989 be established as the official registration day for the Village Election,

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the hours be from 12:00 noon to 9:00 pm at the Village Office.

Moved by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried unanimously.

2. BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Election will take place on Tuesday, June 20, 1989 from 12:00 noon to 9:00 pm at the Village Court Building, 3 Mill Street, Hamilton, New York 13346.

Moved by Trustee Erb, seconded by Trustee Baker and carried unanimously.

Board Members and Staff

A. Trustee Fuller. Discussion regarding changing Board meeting dates for the summer months. No action taken.

B. Engineer Rathbone. Advised the Board that he has prepared a street repair program for this year. The work will be a combination of seal coat, resurfacing and reconstruction. The estimated cost is \$375,000.

Following discussion, motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that Engineer Rathbone be authorized to prepare specifications and advertise for bids for the proposed street repair program.

C. Attorney Hughes. Mr. Hughes explained for the Board the proposed Zoning Law changes.

D. Mayor Getchonis. The following public hearings were set:

May 15, 1989 at 7:30 - Planned District - Lewiston
May 15, 1989 at 7:00 - Zoning Law Amendments

Executive Session

Motion was made by Trustee Erb, seconded by Trustee Baker and carried that the Village Board go into executive session to discuss personnel and

litigation.

Motion was made by Trustee Fuller, seconded by Erb and carried that the Village Board return to regular session.

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that the Village Board accept the recommended settlement agreements with Stearns & Wheler and Randall Electric, and authorize the Mayor to sign the appropriate documents to effect settlement.

Adjournment

There being no additional business to come before the Village Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Paul C. Kogut

Respectfully submitted,
Paul C. Kogut
Village Clerk-Treasurer

