

VILLAGE OF HAMILTONBOARD OF TRUSTEESDECEMBER 12, 1989

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Pike in the Village Library at 7:00 pm on December 12, 1989.

The Public Hearing on Local Law #6-1989 to amend the Village of Hamilton Zoning Law was called to order to run concurrently with the regular meeting.

The Public Hearing on the Sidewalk Local Law was cancelled.

Present

Mayor Pike, Trustees Baker, Fuller, Erb and Krehel, Village Attorney Hughes and Village Clerk-Treasurer Kogut.

Local Law #6-1989

Attorney Hughes briefly addressed the transcription error in Local Law #2-1989.

There being no additional discussion, motion was made by Trustee Krehel, seconded by Trustee Fuller and carried that Local Law #6, 1989 be adopted as follows:

The first word in the definition of "FAMILY" set forth at Section 15.02 of the Village of Hamilton Zoning Law is hereby changed from "two" to "one", so that the definition, as amended, reads as follows:

**FAMILY:** One or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption; living together on the same premises as a single housekeeping unit and occupying a single dwelling unit.

This amendment is made to correct a transcription error in the zoning law as set forth in Local Law No 2-1989 to conform with the definition as originally intended in that enactment.

Appointments

Mayor Pike will make appointments to the Historical Committee at the next meeting. He requested if anyone has suggestions for any committee appointments to please let him know.

Reports

A. Treasurer's Report - November 1989. After discussion, motion was made by Trustee Erb, seconded by Trustee Krehel and carried that the Treasurer's report for November 1989 be approved.

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

Claims

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

General                   \$ 6,035.40

Capital	<u>1,164.00</u>
Total	7,199.40

### Communications

A. From Engineer Rathbone to CU President Grabois regarding the development of a disaster plan. Mr. Grabois has replied, offering full support of the University.

B. Clerk Kogut to DOT requesting traffic study following previous meeting.

C. Board of Trustees as Health Board to several downtown property owners and residents regarding the trash problem.

D. Mayor Pike to NYC Commission on Cable Television requesting a 90-day temporary operating authority.

E. Letter of resignation from Fire Chief Holcomb effective December 31, 1989. Trustee Baker will prepare an appropriate resolution expressing appreciation for the Board to enact at the next meeting.

F. Letters to FAA area coordinator in Albany re: procedures for alterations at the airport. Trustee Erb mentioned that she had sent for several FAA publications, and that they arrived at the Village Office today.

G. Engineer Rathbone to Oneida Savings Bank regarding their "NYCE" sign.

H. Engineer Rathbone to New York Telephone Company regarding their request for a right of way. They do not seem willing to make any concessions such as sidewalks in exchange for the right of way they requested on Eaton Street. Engineer Rathbone has tried unsuccessfully, for several years, to get NYTel to enter into a joint pole agreement with the Municipal Utilities Commission.

Mayor Pike explained to the members that Engineer Rathbone is seeking a joint pole agreement to cover the entire utility system, not just the Eaton Street area. He suggested a board resolution supporting his efforts.

Motion was made by Trustee Krehel, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that the Village Board prefers to see cable installed underground if possible, but that the Village Board requests a joint pole agreement in exchange for the granting of the easement.

### Old Business

A. Fire Protection Contracts. The Clerk advised the members that the contracts were sent to the proper municipalities, and not all have been returned.

B. Tree Law. Trustee Baker advised the members that the Village Attorney had indicated that nothing will be done prior to the new year.

C. Seven Oaks area sewage problem. Mayor Pike indicated that there was nothing new to report.

D. Russ Ray has been notified that the Village Board requests that he discontinue using the right of way behind his store as a street entering and exiting Lebanon Street at that point.

E. Farmers' Market. Trustee Krehel will be planning a meeting in the future to discuss the market, the participants and types of goods being sold.

F. Sidewalk Article in the Chenango Valley News. Mayor Pike pointed out that a recent article contained some inaccurate statements. He added that the work scheduled to be performed by Stearns & Wheler has been put on hold.

G. Trustee Krehel suggested that the new proposal for a smaller type of monument proposed by the Grotto be acted upon. The Mayor felt that the issue at this time is the placement on Village property.

After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Erb, seconded by Trustee Baker and carried that the Village Board permit the placing of an appropriate commemorative monument, such as a large stone with a plaque on it, on the library property.

H. Sidewalk Law. After discussion it was agreed that a work session will be held on December 27, 1989 at 7:00 in the Village Office conference room to be attended by Attorney Hughes, Engineer Rathbone, Mayor Pike and Trustee Fuller.

I. Mayor Pike has given material to Attorney Hughes regarding unsolicited printed material for the preparation of a local law.

J. Trustee Fuller advised the members that we will be meeting with the other municipalities to see if we are in agreement with the proposal. Mayor Pike added that Engineer Rathbone has made several suggestions, including a joint pole agreement and compliance with our proposed tree law whenever they get into tree work.

#### Board Members and Staff

A. Trustee Baker reported that at the last Town/Gown meeting there were students present complaining of being harassed. As an outcome, it was felt that as part of the regular orientation program, representatives of the Village participate to explain some of the laws and situations that students need to be aware of. Trustee Erb added that the Police Chief would welcome such an opportunity.

Trustee Erb added that the tree lighting ceremony the previous night went very well, attendance was very good. Trustee Erb said she was glad to see the bandstand utilized. Mayor Pike added that Noni Bartels did a lot of work preparing for the event.

Trustee Baker indicated that he had been contacted by someone expressing a need for a periodic informational presentation of Board activity and action, similar to Mayor McCarthy's quarterly newsletter, or Mayor Getchonis' monthly article in the newspaper.

Trustee Krehel asked Trustee Baker about the program of weekly concerts in the park that was approved several months ago. No one seems to know what became of the idea, perhaps it will get going in the spring.

B. Trustee Erb indicated that she had talked with Thelma Frederick, the Dog Control Officer. The agreement with her for services is very loose. She is paid a fee on a monthly basis, sort of a retainer. She responds to calls as needed, and we reimburse her for incidental expenses.

Mayor Pike mentioned that we must get going on our recycling plan for the future. Jim Zecca is willing to work with us to develop our "pay-as-you-go" plan using the sale of bags to finance the program. We will also need to include a vehicle in our plans.

C. Trustee Krehel reported on the meeting held with the Colgate Trustees Committee regarding student housing. Mayor Pike had made a presentation to that group urging Colgate to begin planning to devise a method of moving the students back to the campus.

#### Proclamation

Clerk-Treasurer Kogut read the following:

We, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hamilton, the Commissioners of the Village of Hamilton Municipal Utilities Commission, and the Mayor of the Village of Hamilton, hereby proclaim and express our appreciation to MARGUERITE M. MURPHY for her twenty-five years of dedicated service to the Village.

Marguerite's cheerful presence and devoted service to the

Village has greatly benefited all of the Village's residents and all who have come in contact with the Village through her. Marguerite's warm and dedicated service to the Village has been an example for all and will be greatly missed.

The Board members unanimously agreed with the proclamation.

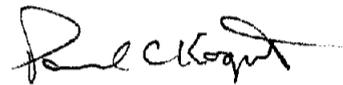
Executive Session

Motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Erb and carried that the Village Board move into executive session at 8:39 pm to discuss personnel.

Motion was made by Trustee Baker, seconded by Trustee Fuller and carried to return to regular session at 8:58 pm.

Adjournment

There being no additional business to come before the Village Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 pm.

  
Respectfully submitted,  
Paul C. Kogut  
Village Clerk-Treasurer