

**Village of Hamilton  
Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting of September 14, 2010  
7:00pm**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Mayor McVaugh; Trustees Jim Bona, Margaret Miller, Sue Collins, and Russell Lura.

**Public Present:** Margo Frink, Madison County Courier; Deb Kliman; Town of Hamilton Supervisor Bob Kuiper

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

The Mayor requested an executive session be added to tonight's agenda.

**Approval of Agenda**

A **motion** was made by Trustee Miller to accept the amended agenda. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Collins and carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Regular Meeting of August 10, 2010**

The Mayor requested the following changes under her report: strike the sentence "in contact with Chief Mlasgar" and to reword the meeting with the County.

A **motion** was made by Trustee Miller to approve the **August 10, 2010**, meeting minutes as amended. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried.

**Public Comment**

Supervisor Kuiper wants to see the new Police Car with markings. The Mayor reported the new Police Chief will be decide the new graphics for the car.

**MAYOR McVAUGH's REPORT**

The Mayor reported she and Trustee Bona will be attending a round table meeting September 15, 2010, regarding Natural Gas at Morrisville College.

The Mayor reported she has been asked to welcome the new Baptist minister on September 26, 2010.

Mayor McVaugh reported that on October 1, 2010, she will be welcoming the new president Jeff Herbst and his family to Hamilton.

The Mayor reported she has missed the last two Town of Hamilton meetings. Trustee Miller attended in her place.

The article on RadioFreeHamilton.com regarding the 5 Way Intersection was briefly discussed.

The Mayor reported she will be out-of-town this weekend.

### **TRUSTEE COLLINS' REPORT**

#### **Hamilton Police Department**

Trustee Collins reported the computers are up and running. The Mayor stated more Police presence is needed for Freshman move in day.

#### **Hamilton Fire Department**

Trustee Collins reported the Department is busy with Colgate student recruiting.

#### **Hamilton Court**

Trustee Collins spoke with Judge Bogan. He has received the JACAP grant application. The Town and the Village will apply separately. It was suggested that the roof, new windows and a new sound system be included in the next grant. The Mayor will contact Judge Haight regarding the grant. Grant Applications are due October 1, 2010. A **motion** was made by Trustee Miller to authorize the Mayor to sign the grant application with roof and windows prioritized by Director Graham. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried. New tables for the Courthouse were discussed. The BOT is unsure why they are needed. Another NO SMOKING sign was requested.

#### **Pedestrian Safety**

Trustee Collins reported the September meeting has been postponed to October 5, 2010. Trustee Collins plans on discussing the completed curb cuts and Safe Routes to School Project. Trustee Collins met with the DOT and Director Graham and completed a tour of Lebanon Street on August 31, 2010. Chips money can be used for this project. The Village will need to have an engineer available, not on site. Director Graham suggests using DOT specs. The DOT will develop bid specs. Twelve sidewalk letters were mailed. The Village received 7 responses and 6 sidewalks were repaired.

#### **Campus Safety**

No report.

### **TRUSTEE LURA'S REPORT**

#### **Library Board**

Trustee Lura reported the Board met. They had a successful book sale. The Village installed a new bike rack. A leak was repaired in the roof. The Library purchased new tables for the book sale. They are still discussing with the State Education Department the revision of the charter and the area they cover.

#### **Historical Commission**

Will meet on September 27, 2010.

#### **Farmers Market**

Trustee Lura reported all appears well at the market. He has discussed with Robin the hours of operation. The vendor's would like to ending time to change back to 1:00pm. The Mayor stated that would be fine.

#### **Recreation, Playgrounds and Pavilion, and Fountains**

Trustee Lura reported there has been no response from the Hubbard family regarding the new location of the rock. An old, dying and dangerous maple tree was removed from the Village Green and a new maple tree was planted.

#### **Mural Commission**

Trustee Lura reported the Commission met in August and set a date of October 23, 2010, at 10am, for the dedication at the Village Post Office. A bronze plaque to honor Jon Cheshire has been commissioned and will be affixed to the wall where the mural will be displayed. A permanent location is being discussed. A reception is being planned to follow the dedication ceremony.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Committee**

A charter needs to be established.

#### **TRUSTEE BONA'S REPORT**

##### **MUC**

Trustee Bona reported the crew worked for several days on a grease clog by the Colgate Inn. The MUC will be contacting merchants to ask for their cooperation in controlling this situation. MEUA did not have a meeting. The MUC meetings will now begin at 4:30pm. Adding the option of debit and credit cards for bill paying was discussed. Director Graham, Clerk/Treasurer Winn, and LineForeman Rhyde are in Lake Placid for the NYMPA meeting. The purchase and installation of AMI meters was discussed. Director Graham has been in contact with the Health Department regarding the requirements fro installing a new well. Director Graham is concerned with contact time. The DEC has drafted Phase I & II for the nutrient loading limits. They have not been approved by the EPA. The composting preliminary testing results came in under the required limits. The next step is to visit the Waterville Plant.

#### **Streets, Sidewalks and Streetscape**

No report.

#### **DPW and Solid Waste Management**

Trustee Bona reported the crews have been busy with tree removal. They replaced catch basins by the Colgate Inn. The requested curb cuts have been completed. The W. Kendrick garbage truck route times have changed. The Village will be recycling the sand from the Beta Beach Party for the roads this winter.

#### **Madison Street Cemetery**

No report.

#### **TRUSTEE MILLER'S REPORT**

##### **Economic Development**

Trustee Miller reported Mr. Wes Wendt is trying to annex his new piece of property. She offered the Village as a resource.

#### **PCD**

Trustee Miller has been approved as a member.

#### **Hamilton Business Alliance**

Trustee Miller reported the County is working on the Route 20 byway. The PCD received a grant of \$35,000.00 for business growth. The maximum for each business is \$6,000.00. Hamilton Highlights will now be in a magazine format. It is distributed to 30 locations and 1,000 emails. An Art Walk is being planned for Family Weekend.

#### **Zoning Board of Appeals**

Trustee Miller stated there is a meeting scheduled for September 28, 2010.

#### **Upstate Institute**

No report.

#### **Planning Board**

Trustee Miller reported Dunkin Donuts requested permission to install a shed. An updated site plan was requested. The Car Wash sign was discussed. Group residences were reviewed. Member Ben Barrett will contact Chief Mlasgar for more information.

#### **Airport/Airpark Commission**

Trustee Miller reported the Security Substation bids will open September 23, 2010. Funding is a huge concern. Separating the Airport from the Airpark will be done. The White residence was discussed. The financial statements were reviewed.

#### **Tree Committee**

Trustee Miller reported Professor McKay and his class will be inventorying the Village trees. Director Graham and Trustee Miller met with 5 students.

#### **Trail Committee**

The Mayor reported she has been receiving positive feedback on the trails. The APC will prioritize fencing for the trails.

#### **CLERK/TREASURER WINN's REPORT**

No report.

#### **DIRECTOR GRAHAM's REPORT**

No report.

#### **APPROVAL of CLAIMS**

Trustee Miller made a **motion** to approve August's 2010 claims on the Mayor's recommendation. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried.

Trustee Bona reported the Madison County Board of Health emailed him a pdf, which he forwarded to the Board, regarding smoking in the park. The Board questioned how this could be enforced. Trustee Bona will contact the DOH for wording that could be included on the Village permits.

The Mayor reported on September 5, 2010, a pop warner football event at the school was very loud for a Sunday morning.

Trustee Lura made a **motion** to appoint Harvey Kliman to the APC. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried.

Trustee Miller made a **motion** to enter into executive session at 9:02pm. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried.

Trustee Miller made a **motion** to exit executive session at 9:35pm. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Collins and carried

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Miller made a **motion** to adjourn. The **motion** was seconded by Trustee Bona and carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m..

Respectfully submitted,  
Kim Taranto