

A Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson, County of Wayne and State of New York was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II, at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, July 22, 2008. The following were

PRESENT: Supervisor James D. Hoffman
Councilman Gary Orbaker
Councilman Anthony Verno
Councilman Michael Bixby
Councilman G. Elliott Warren

ABSENT: None

The Board reviewed bills for payment.

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Williamson was held in the Town Complex Court Room located at 6380 Route 21, Suite II following the Worksession and was called to order at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, July 22, 2008 by Supervisor Hoffman with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were

PRESENT: Supervisor James D. Hoffman
Councilman Gary Orbaker
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Councilman Michael Bixby
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ABSENT: None

Tom Watson; Chairman of Heritage Assets Committee, Peter Evans, Tom DeMarree, Walter Gilges, Phil Dean, Todd Brennessel, Eileen Loveman; Sun & Record, and the undersigned Town Clerk were also present.

Tom Watson gave an update and presentation on the Heritage Assets Project. The Committee has been working on the Project for approximately a year and a half. The goal of the committee is to improve visual and historic character of the Williamson commercial area and reinforce the historic character of the hamlet areas of Pultneyville and East Williamson. The criteria for assessing the structure:

- Special character as a part of the cultural, political, economic, or social history of Williamson (e.g. Gates Hall, or
- Identified with significant people (e.g. Underground Railway home), or
- Characteristics of an architectural style (e.g. Cobblestones), or
- Work of a designer that influenced an age (e.g. Claude Bragdon house), or
- Represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood (e.g. Pickle, Country Warehouse).

The Categories are:

- I. A structure that merits special recognition by the Town and whose loss or material adverse change will result in irreparable damage to the Town's cultural heritage.
- II. A noteworthy structure that merits special recognition by the Town.
- III. A sensitive structure that by virtue of its proximity to a grouping or cluster of Category I structures contributes to the overall Heritage Asset character of the Town and merits special recognition by the Town.

The Committee has collected data on 746 structures built before 1902 and 280 of them have been reviewed. There were 99 structures built between 1802 and 1840, 312 built between 1841 and 1880 and 325 built between 1881 and 1902. Examples of each of the Categories were presented. Mr. Watson also presented the Committee's recommendations.

- A. A structure that merits special recognition by the Town and whose loss or material adverse change will result in irreparable damage to the Town's cultural heritage. Any property so designated can not be demolished without review by a group of citizens appointed by the Town Board (e.g. Historic Preservation Board, Architectural Review Board, etc.). The Town provides a plaque and resolution identifying the structure as a Williamson Heritage Asset and Town Landmark.
- B. Any property so designated and located in an identified historic district can not be substantially altered without review by a group of citizens appointed by the Town Board (e.g. Historic Preservation Board, Architectural Review Board, etc.).

- A noteworthy structure that merits special recognition by the Town. The owner will receive a plaque that may be affixed to the structure identifying it as a Designated Heritage Asset of Williamson.
- A sensitive structure that by virtue of its proximity to a grouping or cluster of Category I structures contributes to the overall Heritage Asset character of the Town. Because the removal and/or replacement of the structure may detract from the overall Heritage Asset nature of the community, approval for any building permit must be reviewed.

Future Plans:

- Continue building data base with basic information.
- Improve quality by improving and adding stories of structures
 - Town and County Historians
 - Stories from Owners
- Improve accessibility by publishing on Internet
 - Put links on websites: Town, County, Pultneyville Historical Society, Landmark Society of Rochester, etc.
 - Source for limited up-front costs not identified.
 - Assess interest after first year to determine future.
- Incorporate HAC information into:
 - Comprehensive Plan effort.
 - GF/LRPC Waterfront Revitalization and Preservation Grant
- Investigate Certified Local Government Program
 - Aim is to promote preservation at the grass roots level
 - Certification provides eligibility to grant funding, planning assistance, etc.
 - Requirements:
 - Establish a Preservation Commission
 - Establish an ordinance
 - Maintain an active survey of local historic resources
 - Participate in the National Register process

Public Comment: No one wished to comment.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to accept and/or file the letters and other forms of communication.

Letters from State of New York Dept. of Transportation

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orbaker, to accept the Consent Agenda containing the following items:

- previous minutes: July 8, 2008
- pay the Library bills as audited by the Library Board of Trustees:
 - vouchers 1258 - 1271, total \$4789.88

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Warren, to increase the per mile rate to .585 for employees for use of their personal automobiles while on Town business. Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby to amend the motion to include "effective July 1, 2008". The amended motion was carried.

Councilman Bixby made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to authorize a Planning Board member to attend the Association of Towns, Planning and Zoning Summer School. It will be held at Hamilton College on Thursday, August 7, 2008. The cost for this schooling is \$60.00 per person with all other necessary and actual expenses to be a town charge. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign a maintenance agreement with Barton & Loguidice, P.C. for post-closure monitoring & reporting of the closed Williamson Landfill, as required by the DEC. The cost of this for these services will be \$12,856 for 2008, \$14,102 for 2009 and \$19,122 for 2010. The motion was carried.

FYI – They have corresponded with the DEC to lower the required testing from quarterly to semi annually. The cost savings to the town will range from \$18,000 to 26,000 per year. The previous cost to them for their services was \$37,400 per year. The reduced monitoring is saving the town money regarding their costs also.

Councilman Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Warren, to authorize the Highway Foreman to attend a reasonable suspicion-training seminar sponsored by Northeast Testing. The seminar will be held in Wayne County with a cost of \$45.00. The motion was carried.

Councilman Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orbaker, to grant the request from Williamson Reform Church, to amend the number of sewer units from 2 units to 1 unit at 6197 Bennett Street, Property ID No.: 65117-02-852552, Account No. C0290. This request is being granted in accordance with the sewer use change agreement. The motion was carried.

Public Comment: Walter Gilges expressed his support to the Committee for the work being done on the Heritage Assets Project. He also stated he would like to come up with a proposal in keeping Pultneyville unique and feels the way to accomplish it is to form a Architect Reviewing Committee where residents in the community would need the Committee’s approval for remodeling and new construction.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Verno, to pay the following bills as audited:

<u>Account:</u>	<u>Voucher No.:</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
General Fund	1195 through 1216, 1272, 1273	\$ 23,747.57
Youth	1217 through 1230	
Highway Fund	1194, 1231 through 1240	\$ 14,122.86
Water Fund	1241 through 1250	\$ 117,047.19
Sewer Fund	1251 through 1254	\$ 2,593.21
Bus. Imprv. Dist.	1255	\$ 1,427.52
Lighting Dist.	1256	\$ 2,837.40
<u>Drainage Dist.</u>	<u>1257</u>	<u>\$ 3,796.60</u>
Total:		\$165,572.35

The motion was carried.

Supervisor Hoffman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orbaker, to enter into Executive Session to review union negotiations at 8:15 PM. The motion was carried.

Councilman Verno made a motion, seconded by Councilman Orbaker, to return to Open Session at 8:40 PM. The motion was carried.

Councilman Orbaker made a motion, seconded by Councilman Bixby, to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 PM. The motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlene A. Gulick
Town Clerk