

**MINUTES OF A SPECIALLY CALLED PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLSVILLE HELD ON JULY 28, 2008 AT 6:45PM IN THE TRUSTEES ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 156 NORTH MAIN STREET, WELLSVILLE, ALLEGANY COUNTY, NEW YORK.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor: James Cretekos  
Trustees: Laurie Hennessy, Judy Lynch, Jamie Herman and Tink LaForge  
Village Atty.: Dan Synakowski  
Police Chief: Steven Mattison  
DPW Dir: William Whitfield

The hearing opened with the pledge to the flag.

Mayor Cretekos called the hearing to order and announced that the purpose of the hearing was to give the public an opportunity to address the Board regarding their thoughts and concerns relative to the proposed change to the Local Law No. 1 of the year 1989. He asked the Village Attorney to read the proposed change:

**Village of Wellsville  
Local Law No. 1 of the year 2008**

**A local law amending the local law regarding sidewalk maintenance, inspection, work and material requirements and enforcement.**

**Be it enacted by the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Village of Wellsville as follows:**

**ARTICLE I**

**Local Law No. 1 of the year 1989 is hereby amended as follows:**

**Article V is hereby amended to have the caption “Financing Repairs” and to read as follows:**

**Section I The method of financing the cost of sidewalk repairs shall be determined by the Village Board, by resolution, from time to time.**

**Section II If a property owner neglects or refuses to comply with an order to repair or replace a defective sidewalk, and the Village makes such repairs and bonds for such project, the property owner shall pay, in addition to the cost of the repairs, interest thereon at the same rate as that upon the bond.**

**Section III Subject to availability of funds, from bonding or otherwise, property owners may borrow up to \$5,000.00 from the Village to pay for their sidewalk repairs. Such loans shall be repaid, with interest at the same rate as paid by the Village, within five years.**

**Section IV** Any funds borrowed by the property owner which are not repaid per the terms of the obligation will be considered liens against the real property and be added to the properties Village Tax Bill in the year of said default of the terms of the obligation.

## **ARTICLE II**

**This local law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Secretary of State.**

The floor was opened for 15 minutes to allow for the public to comment on the proposed amendment to the existing local law.

There were no visitor comments during the allotted time and the hearing was closed on a call by Mayor Cretekos at 7:00pm.