

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

OF THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

March 23, 1970

The following are the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Village of Sleepy Hollow, March 23, 1970. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Laverne Koshman, Village Clerk at 7:30 P.M. at the Sleepy Hollow Swim Club. Roll call was taken and answered as follows:

Mr. Rogers - present	Mr. Quaine - absent
Mr. Vesely - present	Mr. Baugh - absent
Mr. McGowan - present	
Mr. Quigley - absent	Mr. Chase - present

Mrs. Koshman read a resolution declaring a 30 day mourning period on the recent death of Mr. Floyd Falese, Mayor. Mr. Rogers suggested that it be spread as of record. Mr. McGowan moved to <sup>adopt</sup> ~~accept~~ the resolution, Mr. Vesely seconded. Roll call - 3 ayes, 2 absent. Mr. McGowan recommended and moved the appointment of Mr. Carl Marcus as Trustee to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Berlin. Mr. Rogers seconded. Roll call 3 ayes, 2 absent. Mr. Marcus questioned from the floor whether the appointment was legal. Mr. Chase, Village Attorney, stated that in his opinion the appointment was legal. Mr. Marcus came forth and was sworn in by Mrs. Koshman.

Mr. Vesely moved to appoint Mr. McGowan to fulfill the term of Village President, Mr. Rogers seconded. Roll call - Mr. Rogers, aye, Mr. Vesely, aye, Mr. McGowan, aye, Mr. Marcus, aye. Mr. McGowan stated that he would like to resign the position of trustee <sup>if it is necessary to</sup> ~~and~~ accept the position as acting President. Mr. Chase stated

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that it was not necessary in that when you accept the position as President, you are automatically terminated as a Trustee. Mr. McGowan was sworn in by Mrs. Koshman as President of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. McGowan recommended Mr. Wayne Wright to fill the vacancy of Trustee he had just created. Mr. Rogers moved Mr. Wayne Wright fill the vacancy. Mr. Vesely seconded. Roll call - Mr. Marcus, aye, Mr. Rogers, aye, Mr. Vesely, aye, Mr. McGowan, aye. Motion carried. Mr. Wright was sworn in by Mrs. Koshman as Trustee.

Mr. McGowan suggested the acceptance of the December minutes as submitted. Mr. Rogers suggested two corrections which were noted. Mr. Wright moved to accept the minutes as amended, Mr. Vesely seconded. Roll call - Mr. Marcus, abstain, Mr. Vesely, aye, Mr. Wright, aye, Mr. Rogers, aye, Mr. McGowan, aye.

Approval of bills - Mr. McGowan brought up the subject of some bills to be paid. Mr. Rogers presented several. Mr. Vesely moved to pay those bills which were approved. Mr. Wright seconded. Roll call - 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Village Attorney Report - Mr. Chase brought the board up to date on several things he has been working on in regard to the village. Parks - He said that 7 parcels of parks are in question. On 4 of these parcels, the taxes were past due and Mr. Chase has applied for a tax exemption, which are being processed. Three of the parks have been bought by individuals for back taxes for a total of \$601.00 and if the village does not redeem them within 7 years, this property no longer belongs to the village. It was Mr. Chase's recommen- JK

dation that the village buy back these parks for the sum of \$601.00. Mr. Rogers moved that Mr. Chase be authorized to expend approximately \$601.00 to redeem these parks for the village, Mr. Vesely seconded. Roll call - 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Law suits - Mr. Chase reported that we have two law suits pending against the village. Firstly, we are being sued by the Village of West Dundee. They are asking for a declaratory judgement in which it states that Ordinance 60-8 of the Village of Sleepy Hollow is invalid. Mr. Chase stated that he has answered the complaint and has an appearance filed in court. He asked for board approval to further represent the Village of Sleepy Hollow in this case. Mr. Chase said he has requested a continuance on a motion filed by the Village of West Dundee and Sleepy Hollow has until April 3rd. Mr. Rogers moved that Mr. Chase be reimbursed relative to Case 70MR135 for out of pocket expenses of \$13.00, that he be paid a retainer of \$150.00, be paid at the rate of \$35.00 per hour and be authorized to defend the village. Mr. Vesely seconded. Roll call - Mr. Rogers, aye, Mr. Vesely, aye, Mr. Marcus, abstain, Mr. Wright, aye.

Case 70SC2428 - In this case we are being sued by West Dundee Township for 6 culvert pipes for \$499.20. This law suit was returned on March 16 and Mr. Chase has entered his appearance and asked for a bill of particulars. He requested board approval to continue in this case. He has had out of pocket expenses of \$6.00,

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and that his fee was \$35.00 per hour and a retainer of \$150.00. Mr. Marcus moved to pay the fees necessary to defend this case and further authority to defend the village. Mr. Wright seconded. Roll call - 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Finance Report - Mr. Rogers reported that the annual budget was due May 1. It was Mr. Roger's suggestion that we appoint a temporary budget advisory commission to conduct meetings for the benefit of the public. Mr. Marcus moved to authorize an advisory commission with Mr. James Williams, Chairman, Mr. Tony Schiavo and Mr. William Guild with Mr. Quigley, Treasurer. Mr. Wright seconded. Roll call - 4 ayes, 2 absent.

Mr. McGowan suggested the board make contact with the Falese family to move some of the village files. Mr. Wright volunteered.

Police station - Discussion was held on the present police station and the fact that it is in bad disrepair and has been condemned. It was noted that the present police station sits on property which does not belong to the village. It belongs to the Falese Land Co. Several suggestions were brought up as to how to pursue this matter. Suggestions such as a partially completed home, procuring an existing builder's model, sites and zoning came up. It was finally decided to have the present municipal building committee reactivated and work with Mr. Sabatino and the fire district in finding a site and possibly a building.

Clean up Committee - Mr. Rogers noted <sup>a number of residents suggested</sup> that we should have a clean up program for around the village. Mr. Rogers moved that we appropriate \$300.00 for materials, shrubs, etc. for that purpose. Mr. gk.

Marcus seconded. Roll call - ~~4~~ ayes, 2 absent.

Building report - Mr. Vesely reported that we had 4 building permits; 3 for general construction and 1 remodelling.

Mr. McGowan brought up the problem of the septic flow from a house on Willow lane. He asked what steps should be taken to correct this problem. On the advice of Mr. Chase, it was recommended that Mr. Sabatino, Chief of Police present a notice to appear to the residents of the property.

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Mr. Vesely moved to adjourn, Mr. Wright seconded. Roll call - ~~4~~ ayes, 2 absent.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Joyce B. Shields*

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Deputy Clerk

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