

REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

NOVEMBER 2, 1998

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:35 p.m. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees Czerniawski, DeBolt, Harney, Merkel, Nemec, and Williams; Police Chief Montalbano; Treasurer Panning; Attorney Schuster; Engineer Heinz; and Clerk Olson.

MINUTES:

1. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE TAX LEVY PUBLIC HEARING OF OCTOBER 19, 1998 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED WITH HARNEY, MERKEL, NEMEC AND WILLIAMS ABSTAINING.
2. NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM CZERNIAWSKI TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 1998 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

PRESIDENT:

1. A new ordinance is being prepared concerning reimbursement for professionals inspectors used for commercial development in the Village. We will be checking out a firm that has been used in the county for this purpose by other agencies and villages.

CLERK:

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

1. Chairman Art Neil said a meeting is scheduled at the Village Hall for November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. concerning rezoning of the proposed development at Route 72 and Locust. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.
2. Mr. Neil discussed the village board's extensive changes to the zoning amendment ordinances presented at the last meeting. He noted that the trustees had received many drafts requesting their input before these final ordinances were presented, specifically to avoid what occurred at the last meeting. The Zoning Board would appreciate the trustees communicating their thoughts about the Zoning Board's work in a timely manner, to save both time and money.
3. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO UN-TABLE THE MOTION FROM LAST MEETING ON PASSING THE AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8-1-4(B). MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE. The Board discussed this section which states that all uses not expressly permitted are prohibited. It was noted that prohibited uses can be appealed to the ZBA. Also discussed the amendment to the fence definition. Trustee Nemec questioned whether stakes would constitute a structure or marking a boundary. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WILLIAMS TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 98-25 (initially referred to as 98-19 in the 10-19-98 minutes), "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE ZONING CODE RELATING TO DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION OF THE VILLAGE ZONING REGULATIONS." AYE: HARNEY, WILLIAMS, DEBOLT, MERKEL. NAY: CZERNIAWSKI, NEMEC. MOTION PASSED.

ZBA:

No report.

#### ATTORNEY:

1. The attorney has received information on additional village-owned open areas and will present a detailed report after review.
2. The independent contractor agreement has been completed.
3. Twin Sewer is almost complete.
4. Follow up will be done on the Bluffs' maintenance bond.
5. The plumber inspection report on the Bohanek water problem was inconclusive and our attorney will recommend the next course of action in this matter.
6. The Fahy suit is next up in court on November 19<sup>th</sup>.
7. The Podbregars are withdrawing their request for a letter of map revision amendment and have now requested documentation from the village.
8. We have filed suit against the former police officer for reimbursement with a December 2<sup>nd</sup> court date.
9. Still working on the police training reimbursement agreement.
10. Several building code ordinances have been prepared and submitted to Trustee Harney.

#### ENGINEER:

1. The MFT road work was completed on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
2. The Engineer is reviewing the KinderCare plans.

#### TREASURER:

1. Add to the warrants \$38.92 and \$218.93 for Ameritech. Discussed the bill from Kurt Susanke and the transplanted grasses around the Village Hall. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,512.10. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.
2. We are requested to sign a release for street light damage caused by an accident at Saddle Club Parkway which has been paid by the insurance company for the auto driver. The damage amount paid was \$169.91. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF THE RELEASE FROM CONSTITUTIONAL CASUALTY COMPANY. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

#### ROADS & PARKS:

1. The burn pile will burn until it is gone.
2. Resolution of the culvert project on Crane is still pending. We continue to receive bills from CMT engineers for their services on this project. Trustee DeBolt disagrees with the CMT invoice and does not believe they oversaw the work on this project as it was not completed as we originally agreed. Sebastian is also looking for payment for this project. This entire project should be summarized and a final solution recommended to the Board.
3. A representative from Metrocom has contacted us concerning installation of transmitters on village poles. This new communication method is fairly new and we do not wish to take any action at this time. We should request their report on this matter.
4. There are some changes to the specs for the parking lot lighting recently approved. However, these new lights will take a number of months to obtain.
5. The request from Wispark to widen the intersection at Joy Lane and Randall Road was discussed. The Board was divided on whether to allow this widening, which would include a left turn signal on Joy, and whether or not these improvements would benefit residents or only increase traffic through the Village. Trustee DeBolt suggested a committee review these plans thoroughly and report back to the Board.

\*\*\*\*\*OPEN TO THE PUBLIC\*\*\*\*\*

(8:35 - 8:50 p.m.)

1. Eva Tipps of Hilltop Lane said she is in favor of widening the Joy Lane intersection and a left turn lane.
2. Art Neil of Joy Lane is also in favor of the Joy Lane intersection improvements.
3. Richard Corbett of Stevens Court thanked the Board for the recent asphalt paving on his street.
4. Bill Harris of Sharon Drive asked if residents are allowed to leave items on their driveway with "for sale" signs on them. This is not allowed and the code enforcement officer should be advised.
5. Don Dvorcek of Joy Lane asked about the status of the stop sign intersections on Joy. The temporary signs will be removed as was indicated in the ordinance authorizing their installation. The Board will need to determine if the signs were helpful and whether they should be put up permanently. Mr. Dvorcek believes the speed limit needs to be enforced, rather than stop signs installed. Discussed the legality of stop signs in the Village.
6. Kay Burford of Joy Lane asked if the stop signs in the Bluffs would also be removed if the sign were removed on Joy Lane. She has seen an improvement with the stop signs on Joy. Board discussed the required "traffic studies" before a stop sign can be installed and would like the definition of "traffic study" as defined for this purpose. Trustee Harney suggested we use speed humps to slow down traffic on certain roads.
7. Walt Heffron of Van Tassel is also in favor of widening the Joy Lane intersection for the benefit of our residents.

#### FINANCE:

1. Trustee Czerniawski represented the Village at the recent League of Women Voters forum for the upcoming election, and explained the police pension and proposed tax increase to residents.
2. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH STEVE WIEDMEYER AND THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW. Trustee Harney said the Illinois Municipal League recommends that we be named as a co-insured on all independent contractors' insurance policies. This will be reviewed with the Village Attorney and discussed at the next meeting. CZERNIAWSKI AND HARNEY WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND.

#### WATER:

1. The cross connection at Randall Road has been completed by the City of Elgin.

#### POLICE:

No report.

#### HEALTH & SANITATION:

No report.

#### BUILDING:

1. Received a letter from the Office of Natural Resources concerning their meeting with village officials. Trustee Harney would like to prepare a new ordinance stating that the Board must approve any building permit for any houses in the flood plain. The letter from the Office of Natural Resources also reported that four houses in the Village are not in compliance regarding compensatory storage in flood plain areas. The owners of these homes must comply with these federal regulations and we will send letter reporting this information.
2. The house at 708 Hillcrest has been condemned after most of the windows were broken last week. It has been boarded up. Public Works should clean up the broken glass in the yard.
3. The Podbregars have withdrawn their request for a letter of map revision. We will continue with enforcement of the compensatory storage for this property.
4. Trustee Harney met with Mr. Roehrig and he paid his building permit fee in full and received an occupancy permit. Mr. Roehrig withdrew his request for a waiver of the permit fee.
5. Trustees DeBolt and Harney will meet to discuss a driveway at 209 Hilltop Lane.

OLD BUSINESS:

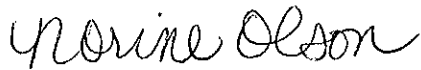
1. There was no further update on the sale of the culvert pipe.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The village mowing by Steve Wiedmeyer is probably done for the season.

HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:05 P.M.  
AYE: HARNEY, DEBOLT, CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, NEMEC, WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson  
Village Clerk