

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

FEBRUARY 21, 2000

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees Czerniawski, Merkel, Morris, Nemec, Pickett and Rzonca; Police Chief Montalbano; Office Administrator Volkening; and Clerk Olson.

MINUTES:

1. PICKETT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2000 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

PRESIDENT:

No report.

CLERK:

1. Any newsletter changes should be given to the clerk.
2. A resolution approving the new Village Zoning Map will be prepared for an upcoming meeting.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

Chairman Neil said a meeting will be held next week to begin the public hearing process to make changes to the zoning ordinance relating to signs and lighting standards. The Zoning Board is short one member.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

1. NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO ACCEPT THE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING, FINAL ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION GUIDANCE AGREEMENT FOR VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW WATER MAIN SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS ON MAPLE, HEMLOCK AND THE LAUREL COURT EXTENSION. This is for design work in the amount of \$4,000. Board discussed. The engineering oversight work in the agreement will be based on their fee schedule and there is a termination clause in the agreement. AYE: NEMEC, PICKETT, CZERNIAWSKI, MORRIS, RZONCA. ABSTAIN: MERKEL. MOTION PASSED.
2. Trustee Nemec has discussed poly pigging with the engineer. Mr. Heinz is researching this process and looking for other municipalities that have used this procedure. They have not yet evaluated our pipes.

TREASURER:

1. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF FEBRUARY 2, 2000 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,998.59. AYE: CZERNIAWSKI, PICKETT, MERKEL, MORRIS, NEMEC, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED.
2. There were no questions on the nine month financial statements.
3. There have been some billing problems with Speedway. The Board agreed to switch to Shell for gas purchases for the next few months.

4. An employee request for an exception to the sick pay policy will be discussed in executive session.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (7:50-8:25 p.m.):

1. Ann Shipp of 162 Hilltop Lane, a 23 year resident, asked the board to protect the residents and preserve the Village and Sleepy Hollow Road.
2. Gladys Boe of 169 Hilltop Court, a 15 year resident, asked the Board to deny any curb cuts or alterations of Sleepy Hollow Road and expressed concern about the increased traffic and speed limit if it is changed.
3. Dan Stroick of 708 Deer Lane requested answers from certain Board members to his comments made at the last meeting.
4. Kerry Tonge of 2002 Sleepy Hollow Road asked if we have control of Sleepy Hollow Road and if we are required to give access to the road.
5. Susan Harney of 1218 Timber Drive opposes any realignment or curb cut on Sleepy Hollow Road and suggested the Board share the financial concerns of the Village with all residents.
6. Theresa Peterson of 1106 Crane Drive, former village president and 33 year resident, stated that years of dealing with West Dundee officials would suggest strong caution to our Board in any agreements and negotiations. She said our Board must look after only the best interests of Sleepy Hollow.
7. Ann Hirz of 1028 Beau Brummel urged the Board to take steps to stop any board member from taking any action without Board approval. She opposes any change to Sleepy Hollow Road.
8. Walt Heffron of 1056 Van Tassel read a statement concerning the proposed realignment and curb cuts on Sleepy Hollow Road and his opposition to both.
9. Mona Auer of 1925 Sleepy Hollow Road thanked everyone who spoke and stated her ecological and environmental concerns if the realignment and curb cuts are permitted.

ROADS & PARKS:

1. The Park District is going out to bid for the playground at Sabatino Park although we still have a few months to terminate this project. Our Village Attorney is working with the Park District on a maintenance agreement and the Village Engineer is preparing an estimate for the parking lot at the Park. Board discussed whether our Park would be considered a public or private park and our desire to have control over access to the Park.
2. The speed limit signs around the elementary school have been reviewed and replaced where necessary. Stop sign issues will also be addressed soon. Raised question of posting any new signs on existing posts, rather than erecting a new post in the ground.
3. Board discussed the proposal received from West Dundee to realign Sleepy Hollow Road. The rustic road program through the county is not expected to be in place for at least a few months, at which time we would apply to grant Sleepy Hollow Road this designation. Trustee Rzonca explained the possible scenarios if we do not allow the realignment, since IDOT does not allow two full access intersections within a ¼ mile of each other. Discussed moving the current south Sleepy Hollow Road/Route 72 intersection farther east. It was suggested we ask the Pulte engineer who prepared the plan to attend a board meeting and explain this plan and any alternate plans prepared for the road. We should also obtain the Village Attorney's legal opinion on the access issue. It was agreed the Board should then schedule a special meeting, open to the public, to possibly include the Village Attorney, a traffic engineer, Hey & Associates and IDOT, at which residents could ask questions. The newsletter will be delayed to include this special meeting date.

FINANCE:

1. Budgets should be returned to finance by March 1st.
2. The Copsfast grant is not available at this time.

WATER:

NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM CZERNIAWSKI TO RATIFY THE PHONE VOTE TO PURCHASE REPLACEMENT PIPE PARTS FROM WATER PRODUCTS IN AURORA AT A COST OF \$6,423.24. AYE: NEMEC, CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, MORRIS, PICKETT, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED.

2. The Board approved sending a letter to residents on certain streets, asking if they are interested in connecting to the village water supply.
3. The fire hydrant that froze was the result of a malfunction and may be replaced eventually.
4. Trustee Nemec said that there may be homeowner easements to obtain for the pipe work.

POLICE:

1. MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM CZERNIAWSKI TO PURCHASE A NEW SQUAD CAR, WITH DELIVERY AFTER MAY 1ST, FROM BOB RIDINGS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,285.00. AYE: MORRIS, CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, NEMEC, PICKETT, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED. Board discussed how many squads should be kept by the Village.

2. Trustee Rzonca discussed the parking problem at Sleepy Hollow School during special events, which spreads to street and can prevent emergency vehicles from having access to the street. A letter has been drafted by the school to send home with all students with parking rules to help alleviate this problem. Board discussed the alternatives for parking around the school and will be given a copy of the draft letter.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

1. Trustee Merkel talked with Waste Management about the toters they left several residents. They said their toters may be discarded by residents and are willing to send us a letter confirming same. There are still complaints from residents regarding Van Weelden's decision not to service the Waste Management toters. Their contract does not specify that they will not pick up these types of containers.

BUILDING:

1. Hey & Associates will be asked to attend a meeting to update the Board on several matters they are working on for the Village.
2. Several residents on Route 72, Acorn and Locust have been advised that their addresses may be changed to improve delivery by the post office. There has been some positive feedback as there have been several mistakes in deliveries to some of these houses.
3. A resident questioned the security lighting on the back of the HomeLife building which faces the residents on Sycamore. We have asked HomeLife to shield these lights from residents and they have requested that we send a letter confirming our request.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The ethics ordinance will be discussed in April.
2. The assignment of committee heads and shuffling of some trustee duties will be discussed in further detail at a later meeting. Trustee Nemec will prepare a more detailed summary of these assignments.
3. Trustee Czerniawski would like to limit individuals to 15 minutes when they ask to be put on the agenda. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 99-28, TITLE 1, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 1-5-4(G), PARAGRAPH 1 TO ADD A TIME LIMIT OF 15 MINUTES PER PRESENTATION. Trustee Morris invoked the first reading rule. This motion will be tabled until the next meeting.
4. Kane County has not yet responded to our letter concerning their purchase of property in the flood plain.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Pickett discussed the tree city ordinance which lists several requirements of the village, including spending a certain percentage of the budget on trees and establishing a tree department/board. Trustee Nemec will obtain further details and report back to the Board with all restrictions.
2. John Miles of the Bluffs Homeowner's Association presented plans to add about 100' of decorative brick edging along their entranceway. Board approved the project. The Homeowners Association would also like to connect into the Village's street light to power lights on their entrance sign and a generator to aerate the detention pond. Since the sign and pond are located on private property, the Board was concerned about spending public funds. Trustee Pickett will work with Mr. Miles on this matter and report back to the Board.
3. Kerry Tonge asked what impact the designation of a rustic road would have on Sleepy Hollow Road and if we knew our rights concerning Sleepy Hollow Road. She also asked how West Dundee would handle the additional children the Carrington development would bring.

CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:15 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO §2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

The regular meeting resumed at 10:40 p.m.

1. Clerk asked that she receive copies of documents received from outside sources, and also any documents to be discussed at board meetings.
2. Clerk asked for clarification on any policy when residents want to use the Village copy machine for materials for the Board or a presentation. Board said we could copy documents if they are for the Village Board, but Village staff should make the copies for the resident.

MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:45 P.M. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk

Released 12-15-03

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MINUTES

FEBRUARY 21, 2000

The executive session of the Sleepy Hollow Board of Trustees was convened at 10:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel pursuant to §2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees Czerniawski, Merkel, Nemec, Morris, Pickett and Rzonca; and Clerk Olson.

1. Mona Auer represented herself as a village appointed committee chairman to Hey & Associates. She was not appointed by the Village and a board member will discuss with her.
2. Rebecca Freemon requested an exception to the sick pay policy. Board discussed and it was agreed our policy must be followed.
3. Board discussed Village Attorney Mark Schuster and his relationship with the new firm he has joined. Questioned the liability to the Village of the other attorneys with whom he is now associated. This should be discussed with Mr. Schuster.
4. MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 1999 WITH THE ADDITION OF A SENTENCE THAT THREE TRUSTEES FEEL \$2,000,000 WAS THE HIGH FIGURE QUOTED BY JOHN REGAN FOR POTENTIAL TAX REVENUE TO THE VILLAGE. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

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Respectfully submitted,



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