

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Ander, Finney, Getz, Grom, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, Village Attorney Schuster, Village Engineer Heinz, and Clerk Olson.

President Pickett explained the rules for speaking under the public comments section of the meeting.

MINUTES:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 18, 2005. Changes should be made on page 1 under Engineer, #2, changing "and" to "at" and on page 3, under Old Business, #6, changing "joint" to "join." MOTION PASSED.

Green Communities: Trustee Grom reported on the meeting with IEPA sponsored pollution prevention intern Timothy Ryan, along with two IEPA representatives, Trustee Ander, and Public Works Superintendent Art Sunderlage. The intern will work full time at no cost to the Village (except the worker's compensation coverage cost) from May 31st until August 12th. Tim will help the Village identify, research and pilot pollution prevention technologies and practices. He may be able to make suggestions on a new cost-saving, energy efficient furnace for the Village Hall. Trustee Grom will work with this intern through the summer. GROM MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE INTERN TIMOTHY RYAN FOR THE IEPA POLLUTION PREVENTION INTERNSHIP FOR THE SUMMER OF 2005. MOTION PASSED.

Trustee Carol Grom said it had been a pleasure to work for the Village for the last four years and she was thanked for her service to the Village and given a gift.

The oaths of office were given to Stephen Pickett, Norine Olson, Russell Getz, Todd Prigge, and Donald Ziemba.

PRESIDENT:

1. President Pickett thanked the village staff, police department and public works for his past term. He also thanked Carol Grom for her service as trustee and the commission chairmen and their members for their volunteer services, and the village attorney, engineer and prosecutor for their work. He then made several appointments for the upcoming term: Mike Ander: Public Building & Environmental Trustee; Scott Finney: Building Trustee; Russell Getz: Water & Sewer Trustee; Todd Prigge: Police Trustee; Steve Wind: Roads, Parks & Streets Trustee; Don Ziemba: Finance Trustee; Village Attorney: Mark Schuster; Village Engineer: Heinz & Associates; Village Prosecutor: Bruce David; Plan Commission Chairman: Carol Schoengart; Zoning Chairman: Art Neil; ZBA Chairman: John Kedzior. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS. MOTION PASSED.

2. The Mayors Administrative Council of DuKane Valley Council met and formed a governmental council to represent Kane, DeKalb and Kendall counties. The Mayors Council has monitored recent proposed legislation in Springfield which includes the possible merging of CATS and NIPC, and elimination of zoning and annexation powers from municipalities. Firefighters are also attempting to enact legislation that would allow them to serve on municipal boards, and thus have the ability to vote on matters concerning their pay and benefits.

3. President Pickett has also advised our state representative that Sleepy Hollow is in favor of SB272 which would allow non-home rule municipalities to raise sales tax another ½%.

4. NIPC has a draft of their 2040 plan which may be reviewed on their website and comments submitted on it until May 24th.

5. The VFW is looking for participants in the Memorial Day parade on May 29th. Advise President Pickett if you are interested in participating.

CLERK:

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

1. Mr. Schuster discussed the Dundee Township Pre-Annexation Agreement. The policing agreement will be an exhibit to this Agreement. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE PRE-ANNEXATION AGREEMENT TO SEND BACK TO DUNDEE TOWNSHIP. We are sending this Agreement back to the Township for their approval. MOTION PASSED WITH PRIGGE ABSTAINING.
2. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE VARYING THE LOT SIZE REQUIREMENT OF THE R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT LOT 37, UNIT 14 OF SLEEPY HOLLOW MANOR IN THE VILLAGE." AYE: WIND, ZIEMBA, FINNEY, GETZ. NAY: ANDER, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.
3. ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2005-10 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE VARYING THE BUILDING SET BACK REQUIREMENT OF THE R-1 RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 829 SURREY LANE IN THE VILLAGE." AYE: ANDER, ZIEMBA, FINNEY, GETZ, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

ENGINEER:

1. Neri Bros. completed the landscape restoration, but the engineers have received a few resident complaints on the work. The engineers will contact Neri to address these complaints.
2. Construction has started on the Spring Hill Meadows project and Mr. Heinz reviewed the site and the silt fences are all properly installed throughout the property.
3. Suggested streets for this year's road improvements should be given to the engineers. The engineers are looking at different techniques to patch Willow Road that will hopefully last longer.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF MAY 2, 2005 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$77,131.26. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, ANDER, FINNEY, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.
2. An employee asked to carry over 2-1/2 vacation days into the new fiscal year. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE REQUEST CONTINGENT THAT THE DAYS ARE USED BY MAY 31ST. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

1. Linda Nuneman of Rainbow Drive (a) welcomed Todd Prigge to the board; (b) noted that the Village tape recorder does not work well and is very difficult to hear when transcribing minutes and suggested the Village consider either fixing it or purchasing a new system.

2. Linda McDaniel-Hale of Saratoga Drive also welcomed Todd Prigge to the Board, thanked Carol Grom for her service, as well as Zoning Chair Art Neil and all board members. She asked if the skateboard ramp on Hilltop would be removed since it is not allowed in the Village. The Board responded that a letter should be sent to the owners of the ramp that it must be removed.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

1. Trustee Wind will be meeting with Art in Public Works to review spring projects in the Village. He also noted that five trees have been purchased that will be planted by Jelkes bridge on Sleepy Hollow Road.

FINANCE:

1. Trustee Ziemba reviewed the March financial statements and said it appears that the Village will be within budget for the 2005 fiscal year. He also said there will be a Finance Committee meeting on May 10th at 7 p.m. at which time health insurance and vacation policy for employees will be reviewed.

WATER & SEWER:

1. A resident on Willow, who is not part of the service area listed in the agreement with West Dundee, has requested a connection to village sewer. His system has not failed. The Village has a limited amount of sewer capacity available through this agreement with West Dundee and feels it should only be given to residents with septic failure. Trustee Getz will so advise the resident. The Board asked that a report be prepared on how much capacity is still available through West Dundee and how many homes it will serve.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. There was a letter in the paper from a resident commenting on yard waste dumped in Sleepy Creek. Trustee Ander contacted the resident and the offending home will be monitoring for further dumping in the creek.

2. Trustee Ander noted there is PVC pipe discharging sudsy water into Lake Sharon in the northwest quadrant of the lake. Art in Public Works should be asked if he knows anything about this pipe.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. Spring Hill Meadows asked the Village about connecting to the water system. The Village Engineer should contact the developers about this.

2. Joe Kruse has agreed to work two days a week for the Village on permit matters.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Schuster has prepared a complaint to change the public purpose of the Whitney road stub. We have requested a \$4,000 deposit from the adjacent homeowners who have requested this procedure so they can build an addition to their home. This deposit will cover attorney's fees and costs for this change to the road stub. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO SIGN THE COMPLAINT. MOTION PASSED. The complaint will not be filed until the deposit is received.

2. We have not received a response from Elgin on the boundary agreement. Mr. Schuster has requested a meeting with the village manager to finalize this matter.

3. Affordable Housing Act. A proposed bill would allow municipalities to sell property to other municipalities to help reach their quota of affordable housing.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Village Attorney and Board discussed the problems between the ZBA Chairman and Secretary. Mr. Schuster met with Linda Nuneman and spoke with John Kedzior via telephone. He stated that under state law, a public hearing must be held before a ZBA member can be removed from the board and must be removed for cause. It was noted that new ZBA procedures are currently under review by the ZBA, a new application form has been approved, and other forms are undergoing revision, which may help alleviate some of the tension. It was noted that it was several months between a ZBA meeting last fall and a public hearing this spring. The new procedures state that a ZBA meeting will be held every third Thursday of the month, which can be cancelled if there is no hearing scheduled or business to discuss. This would help ensure that residents do not wait for extended periods of time for a hearing on their application. The Board suggested Mr. Schuster attend the next ZBA meeting to monitor the proceedings. There was some concern expressed as to whether Mr. Kedzior is still considering resigning, as several members indicated they would resign if he did. Mr. Kedzior should be asked his intentions.

ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:15 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk