

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 16, 2006

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, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, and Clerk Olson.

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

MINUTES:

1. ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2005. MOTION PASSED.

PRESIDENT:

1. There was a Fox Valley Cable Consortium meeting to discuss the Comcast franchise agreement. Negotiations are still on-going and it does not appear a resolution will be reached soon.

CLERK:

1. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE COMED PERMIT REQUEST #PL422281. MOTION PASSED.
2. Information for the next newsletter was requested.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

The projects update report was reviewed, including the upcoming public hearing on the new Nature's Crossing development. It was suggested that we ask the developer to provide preliminary design information on the wetland treatment system.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF JANUARY 16, 2006 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85,964.08. AYE: GETZ, WIND, ANDER, FINNEY, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

No report.

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WATER & SEWER:

1. GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2006-2 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, SECTION 6-3-9B-1, TITLE - VILLAGE WATER AND SEWER OF THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS." AYE: GETZ, WIND, ANDER, FINNEY, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED. The water increase from Elgin will be passed on to the residents. The monthly service charge will also be increased to accumulate funds for water main improvements. Ellen Volkening explained the increases and reasoning behind them and also depreciation expenses.

2. Review of the water main leak detection proposals will be deferred to the next meeting as additional information has been requested from some of the bidders.

(Trustee Ziemba arrived at 7:53 p.m.)

FINANCE:

1. Trustee Ziemba said the December financial statements looked good. The Board discussed the boundary agreement with Elgin relative to receiving sales tax from the new businesses on Randall Road; we will probably not receive any sales tax until early summer.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. PRIGGE MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF EDWARD ARMIJO AS A PART TIME OFFICER EFFECTIVE JANUARY 16, 2005 AT \$11/HOUR. MOTION PASSED.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. Trustee Ander noted that the Friends of the Fox River water monitoring group received an environmental award from the state for its monitoring work of the Fox River and its tributaries. Resident Sue Bennett is the coordinator of this network group and we will include an article on this award in the next newsletter.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. A long time resident has requested a waiver of our \$60 permit fee to install a new patio door. Trustee Getz feels permit fees should be eliminated for many routine repairs and replacements made by a homeowner, although he does not object to a permit requirement. Trustee Finney explained the safety reasoning behind the permit requirements but agreed that the permit requirements and fee structure should be reviewed. This information should then be relayed to the residents to make all aware of Village permit requirements. Trustee Finney would also like a mailing to all residents on general Village information, such as that given to new residents on village ordinances, etc. This could be included in a newsletter mailing. FINNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ANDER TO WAIVE THE PERMIT FEE REQUIREMENT TO MRS. MILLER. MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The Board reviewed the Dundee Township Dial-a-Ride proposal for area villages to fund this community service. Sleepy Hollow has been asked to contribute \$5,200 annually although only 3% of Village residents have used this service in the past. While the Board does not feel the cost distribution among the villages is equitable, based on use percentage, they agreed to participate in this program. The Board briefly discussed the Sleepy Hollow pool and noted that no final decision has been made by the Park District yet regarding the repairs.

WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE DIAL-A-RIDE PROGRAM. AYE: WIND, GETZ, ANDER, FINNEY, ZIEMBA. NAY: PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

2. President Pickett updated the Board on recent IDNR issues in the Village: fill has been removed from one residence, a bridge has been removed from another residence, and the bridge at another residence remains in place while the homeowner applies to IDNR for a permit to keep it there. Other minor issues are still under review and there will be another meeting with the IDNR in the near future.

3. Trustee Ander asked about the concept of a land trust to generate affordable housing. President Pickett noted that this has been done in some communities with much larger lots that involve a landlord set up but this would probably not be a viable option in Sleepy Hollow. The Affordable Housing board will not be appointed until 2007.

4. Trustee Prigge commented on the recent Sleepy Hollow Road traffic study conducted by the developers of the Bright property that showed a large increase in traffic from the proposed new development.

NEW BUSINESS:

Some residents backing to Randall Road have approached President Pickett about construction of a sound barrier wall. The Village would not contribute to this cost, which would be extensive. Those residents could consider a special assessment.

ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:50 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk