

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 5, 2007

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, Village Attorney Schuster, Village Engineer Weiss, 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 WIND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2007. MOTION PASSED WITH PRIGGE ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

1. ComEd will not make a presentation tonight as scheduled. They will attend the March 19th meeting instead. There is some question if ComEd is preparing to do tree trimming in the Village. Trustee Prigge will call the ComEd representative to verify.

2. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF JIM KRUGER TO THE ZONING BOARD AND JEROME KOPACZ TO THE PLAN COMMISSION. MOTION PASSED.

3. The Dundee Township Lions Club requested permission to use the Sleepy Hollow headless horseman logo for a commemorative pin they are making that would include the logos from local villages. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO AUTHORIZE THE LIONS CLUB TO USE THE VILLAGE LOGO ON THEIR PIN. MOTION PASSED.

PRIGGE MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO MOVE THE POLICE REPORT TO NOW. MOTION PASSED. Chief Montalbano introduced Peter Dusza as a candidate for a part time police position. PRIGGE MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO HIRE PETER DUSZA AS A PART TIME OFFICER AT \$11/HOUR, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. MOTION PASSED. Mr. Dusza was then given the oath of office by the clerk.

CLERK:

The Board briefly discussed the issue of commercial advertising in the Village newsletter. The general consensus was that if allowed, it should only be for business operating in Sleepy Hollow. Trustees Prigge and Wind will review this issue and report back to the Board with suggested parameters for this advertising.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2007-5 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER AND SEWER CONNECTION FEES IN THE VILLAGE." AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, ANDER, FINNEY, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

2. The Board briefly discussed the Bright property, no longer under contract with Lakeland Development, and possible options for the two parcels. The owner has spoken with the City of Elgin about this property. The Village is attempting to set a meeting with the City of Elgin to discuss the development of this property. The Board also discussed the idea of possible acquisition of the east parcel by the Forest Preserve District, which the Board would prefer if the Village is unable to develop that parcel itself.

David Strahl of AT&T made a presentation of their Project Lightspeed and distributed informational folders. He explained the background of this project and the services it would offer, which would compete with cable TV, but service residents through the phone lines. New fiber technology would be necessary which would require installation of three very large cabinets/boxes in the Village, and would allow AT&T to link all technology in the home. AT&T would also be willing to enter into an agreement with very similar franchise fee benefits to those currently offered through the Village's cable agreement. The box sizes are a concern to the Board and AT&T is willing to screen the cabinets from the residents. The boxes are to be installed on Sleepy Hollow Road, Appaloosa Court, and Sycamore Drive. Mr. Strahl described how fiber would be installed in the Village, and the signal distributed to the homes. He did not know how many feet of fiber would be buried underground to reach the boxes. Mr. Strahl discussed the pending state legislation that would allow them to proceed with installation of this new technology without cooperation from the municipalities. It is Mr. Strahl's hope to enter into negotiations with the Village for an agreement and also obtain permission to submit permit applications (for the boxes) for review and approval by the Village.

ENGINEER:

1. Mr. Weiss presented a revised street improvement program options for 2007 and the next year, based on the Village spending its standard annual amount and spending double the annual amount for the street program. These options are a modification from the five year plan for the next two years based on recent deterioration of certain roads that were not scheduled for improvements this soon.

2. Mr. Weiss asked about continued work on the trail leading south from the Village Hall. President Pickett said we have been asked to participate in a bike path connecting Sleepy Hollow, West Dundee and Dundee Township properties. The Township will pursue a grant for 80% of the project cost. The path will lead to parks and pools in Sleepy Hollow and West Dundee. Trustee Prigge would also like to consider including the open space behind Willow Lane as a public path. There was some concern about the ability to determine Village property from residential and the potential expense to do so. The Engineer will await further direction from President Pickett on this project.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF MARCH 5, 2007 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,141.34. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, ANDER, FINNEY, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

1. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ANDER TO APPROVE THE JOINT PURCHASE REQUISITION FOR 600 TONS OF ROCK SALT. MOTION PASSED.

FINANCE:

1. Finance Committee budget meetings will be scheduled in the near future.
2. Trustee Ziemba distributed VHS copies of the early Sleepy Hollow promotional film.

WATER & SEWER:

No report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. Trustee Prigge asked about reviving the neighborhood watch program, which has become inactive. We may wish to ask if there is residential interest in the June newsletter. The Police Dept. could also communicate with the previous block captains to see if there is interest.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. The Environmental Committee met and are still pursuing bids for the HVAC system, and are looking at paths in the Village. They also discussed the status of the bio-swale and a possible smoking ban at Village businesses.
2. Trustee Ander read a statement from the Environmental Committee asking the Village to consider an ordinance to ban leaf burning in the Village as a matter of public health. This ban would not include other yard waste, such as tree limbs. ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO PREPARE A DRAFT ORDINANCE TO BAN LEAF BURNING. There was Board discussion, including possible options, and also on informing the residents on alternatives to leaf burning. MOTION TIED 3:3 AND DID NOT PASS.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. Trustee Finney is meeting with Mr. Schuster and the code enforcement officer to review fee schedules and other matters. He also reviewed the issue of car covers and tarps. Although fitted covers have been allowed previously, he feels that the interpretation of the ordinance is that car covers of any kind are prohibited. He would like to proceed on this basis and follow the procedures to inform those residents of the code violation. The Board was generally in agreement with this decision and did not feel it was necessary to change the ordinance language at this time to enforce the ordinance. There was also general discussion of related ordinances for other personal property stored outside the house and how it affects the appearance of the Village.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

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NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

PRIGGE MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:57 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO SECTION 2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED.

The regular meeting resumed at 10:09 p.m.

WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO ADJOURN AT 10:10 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk

Released 6-16-08

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EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

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The executive session of the Sleepy Hollow Board of Trustees was convened at 9:57 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel pursuant to §2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. In attendance were President Pickett; Trustees Ander, Getz, Finney, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba; Police Chief Montalbano, Village Attorney Schuster, and Clerk Olson.

Chief Montalbano explained the recent dismissal of a part time police officer, who was charged with criminal felony conduct in the course of his full time job in Des Plaines. The officer admitted to the charges.

GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 10:10 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

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