

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
PUBLIC HEARING

JULY 7, 2008

The public hearing was called to order at 7:15 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustee Wind, Village Attorney Schuster, and Clerk Olson.

Notice of this public hearing was published in the Daily Herald on June 16, 2008.

The purpose of the public hearing was to hear comments on the 2008/2009 appropriation ordinance.

There were no members of the public present.

The public hearing closed at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Norine Olson".

Norine Olson
Village Clerk

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Finney, Fudala, Getz, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Sgt. Wilson, 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. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2008. The minutes should be corrected on page 2 under Parks to change the hourly rate of the summer employee to \$8.20 per hour. MOTION PASSED.

PRESIDENT:

1. President Pickett thanked the Service Club for the successful 4th of July activities, and the Sleepy Hollow Police Department and Kane County emergency group for traffic control at the fireworks.
2. The Village received notice from the IEPA of a permit request from Universal Chemicals and Coatings located on Fox Lane in Elgin. Further information will be left in the trustee office.
3. Kane County has started a new program to assist homeowners regarding foreclosure. They would like a county rep to make an informational presentation of this program to the Village Board. They will be invited to attend the second monthly meeting in July or August. (Trustee Getz arrives at 7:40 p.m.)
4. Nicor has submitted an agreement to renew the current franchise which expires next year. It will be given to the Village Attorney for his review.

CLERK:

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION:

President Pickett noted that the Plan Commission will be reviewing the Comprehensive Plan for the Village.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

1. Pursuant to a request at the last meeting, an ordinance to add stop signs at Thorobred, Winmoor, and Jaclay was presented. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2008-15 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 3: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES, TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL STOP INTERSECTIONS IN THE VILLAGE." AYE: WIND, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

ENGINEER:

1. Regarding the MFT program, the Township will be working at the gravel pit for two years, using heavy equipment on Boncosky Road. The Village will not do repairs on that road until the Township work is complete, although some patching will be done on Boncosky. The Board agreed that Locust will be repaired

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in the program for this year instead. The Board also discussed using remaining MFT funds for swale/culvert repairs, specifically on Crane and Beau Brummel. Trustee Prigge noted that the culvert across from the Village Hall is also in poor condition. The engineer will review those areas and submit cost estimates for swale/culvert repairs for the next meeting, as well as a summary of all estimates for the entire program so that the program can be finalized.

2. Trustee Finney noted that he has been advised by a resident that concrete, siding, and other debris has been dumped in the bird sanctuary area.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF JULY 7, 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$157,545.57. AYE: GETZ, WIND, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

No report.

FINANCE:

1. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2008-16 ENTITLED "APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE". AYE: WIND, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

WATER & SEWER:

No report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. Trustee Prigge thanked Public Works for cleaning up around Sabatino Park in time for the 4th of July, and the Tree City USA flag was also flying for the event. However, there were no recycle bins in Sabatino Park for the 4th. These should be ordered for next year.

2. The Tree City USA sign is large and needs a place to hang. Suggestions are welcome.

3. Pleasure Drive sign suggestions were distributed and the Board preferred design "A". It was suggested that signs be placed at both ends of Sleepy Hollow Road. Additional designs will be requested.

4. There were 56 entries for the giant tree survey. Trees are still being measured and the winners should be announced at the next board meeting.

5. Trustee Prigge met with a landscaper specializing in ponds and waterfalls who gave him ideas for the Lake Sharon dam area, including ways to stop the erosion. This landscaper does not do piling, so we would need to find a company to handle that aspect. Trustee Prigge would like to start clearing the area in preparation for the repair work and then have our engineers to prepare estimates for piling and boulder work. This will all be reviewed with the Environmental Committee at their next meeting and Trustee Prigge will then contact our engineer. (Trustee Ziembra arrived at 8:10 p.m.)

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6. Trustee Finney commented on the amount of standing water in the Village and the concern of mosquitos. It was noted that Art Sunderlage is certified to disburse tablets received from the county in areas of standing water that will kill the larvae. Residents may be able to alleviate some standing water by checking their driveway culverts and removing any blockage to permit water flow.
7. We are obtaining quotes for repair and painting of the Village Hall and Police Dept. entry doors.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. President Pickett and Trustee Fudala met with ICCI to discuss property maintenance enforcement. ICCI prepared a complaint form that can be completed and submitted by residents. The office staff will determine if a complaint can be handled as a contact report matter or whether it should be handled by ICCI. If for ICCI, it will be given to President Pickett and Trustee Fudala who will determine if it is an matter that should be sent to ICCI. They also discussed a regular routine that could be established by ICCI where they would review designated areas of the Village on a certain day each month for code violations. This would be done by driving through the neighborhoods to note violations.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Service Club will be having a small fireworks display at the Halloween celebration at a cost of \$2,500. The Mad Bomber, who is doing the fireworks display, submitted an agreement in the name of both the Service Club and the Village. The Village is paying for this display as part of the 50th anniversary budget and felt this agreement should be between the Mad Bomber and the Village only. (Trustee Getz left at 8:40 p.m.) Attorney Schuster felt there should be an addendum to this agreement to include the permit and inspection requirements, indemnification of the Village, etc. and he will prepare this document.
2. A resident suggested the Village have Village fillable forms on its website. It was thought this type of software program could be costly and the webmaster will look into this. It was also noted that the Finance Dept. may have a similar program that could be used.
(Trustee Getz returned to the meeting at 8:50 p.m.)

ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:52 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2(C)(11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED.

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk

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EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

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The executive session of the Sleepy Hollow Board of Trustees was convened at 8:52 p.m. for the purpose of discussing litigation pursuant to §2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act. In attendance were President Pickett; Trustees Getz, Finney, Fudala, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba; Attorney Schuster, and Clerk Olson.

The purpose of the executive session was to discuss the dead tree in the right of way on the north end of Sleepy Hollow Road, in front of Mona Auer's home. The dead tree appears to be the result of construction in 2003 by a sub-contractor of Nicor. The underground gas line was repositioned at that time and involved boring against the side of the tree. The Village has been unsuccessful with letters to both Nicor and the sub-contractor, as well as telephone calls, and there has been no response whatsoever. An arborist, or other expert opinion, would be necessary to confirm the cause of the tree's dying.

Ms. Auer has stated she will not contribute any funds to pursue this matter, but would like to participate in any settlement. She noticed the tree was in distress a couple years after the work was done.

Trustee Prigge was advised by a rep of the Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources who suggested the Village file a complaint about Nicor with the Illinois Commerce Commission. He will call her back and find out more details on this process. She also gave him the names of several local arborists who may be able to advise the Village on the tree. Trustee Prigge is also in contact with Edith Makra at the Morton Arboretum to see if she is available to give the Village expert advice at no cost.

The tree will need to be removed in the future, for safety purposes, and the Board would like a replacement tree planted after removal. It was suggested the Board tie a resolution of this matter with Nicor's recent request for a 50 year extension to its franchise agreement.

The consensus of the board was to find a free or low cost arborist evaluation of the cause of the tree's death before proceeding further. Trustee Prigge will call his contacts in this regard. President Pickett will contact Nicor and advise that the Board will consider their extension request after our tree issue has been addressed.

ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION
AT 9:15 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk