

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 16, 2009

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:35 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Finney, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, and Clerk Olson. Trustees Fudala and Getz were absent.

MINUTES:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM FINNEY TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2009. MOTION PASSED WITH WIND ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

1. A candidate for Township Assessor has asked that the Village pass a new or temporary ordinance changing the election sign rules to allow primary candidates to leave their signs up between the primary and consolidated elections. The Board did not wish to incur the attorney costs in doing so and prefer to deal with complaints, if any, at the time they occur.

CLERK:

1. Information for the next newsletter was requested.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

1. The projects update from the engineer was reviewed and the Board again discussed the Lake Sharon dam repairs. Trustee Prigge's concern is that there were several options for these repairs from the IDNR, some of which would be less costly than the pilings, but no other options have been recommended or suggested by the engineer. The Board would like to know if the pilings are the only option that is recommended before proceeding further. President Pickett will discuss this with Mr. Weiss.
2. Trustee Prigge confirmed that the State did receive our grant application for the path.
3. The vendor started work on the leak detection project. The vendor is taking a time and date stamped picture of each hydrant checked for Village verification of their work. This was done rather than pay the village engineer to follow the vendor throughout the day. A report of the results should be available within a couple weeks. The Board discussed doing an annual maintenance inspection for leaks in the Village.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF FEBRUARY 16, 2009 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,438.28. AYE: ZIEMBA, PRIGGE, FINNEY, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

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2. Comcast is willing to enter into a one year contract with the Village for internet service. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE THE ONE YEAR BUSINESS CLASS SERVICE ORDER AGREEMENT WITH COMCAST FOR INTERNET SERVICE AT \$89.95 PER MONTH. AYE: ZIEMBA, WIND, FINNEY, PRIGGE. MOTION PASSED.

3. Any budget requests should be given to Ellen Volkening by March 2.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

President Pickett advised the Board of a water main break on Willow Lane last weekend, where a resident sustained water damage to his home. The homeowner's insurance has denied his claim. The Board received a copy of a letter sent by the Village's insurance carrier which has reviewed the resident's claim and denied Village liability.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

No report.

FINANCE:

1. The nine month financial statements were distributed and reviewed by Trustee Ziemba who noted that the Village finances will probably not do as well next year. Trustee Wind suggested we reduce the number of paper copies of the code supplements we receive to reduce those costs.

8:05 Mr. and Mrs. Berger of 916 Willow Lane arrived to discuss the water damage to their home after the water main break. Mr. and Mrs. Berger gave a letter to board members with a copy of the letter received from their insurance carrier. Mr. Berger then reviewed the events of the Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> water break. Mr. Berger said it took the Village a long time to locate and stop the flow of water, which flooded his lower level and caused considerable damage. He noted that mold is forming on the basement walls. His homeowners insurance initially started clean up on Sunday by installing fans to dry the area. However, they advised him on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> that they would not cover the incident, although they did pay for the initial clean up work over the weekend. Mr. Berger noted that he is contacting an attorney on this matter. President Pickett advised the residents that the Village would call if they had any questions and Mr. and Mrs. Berger left the meeting. The Board briefly discussed the matter and agreed that they would like Mr. Schuster to review this matter.

WATER & SEWER:

The Board briefly discussed the history of the water pipes in the area, some of which have been replaced in recent years.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM FINNEY TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A 2009 CROWN VICTORIA POLICE CAR AT \$21,027. AYE: WIND, FINNEY, PRIGGE, PICKETT. NAY: ZIEMBA

2. The Village received two bids for a computer back up system. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM FINNEY TO APPROVE THE BACK UP SECURITY SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH IRON MOUNTAIN FOR ONE YEAR, AT \$135 PER MONTH. AYE: WIND, FINNEY, PRIGGE, ZIEMBA. MOTION PASSED.

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. Information on the rain barrels and trees for purchase will be posted on the Village web site. Several tree varieties will be offered for sale this year.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Possible vacating of right of ways was again reviewed. This is an area located between Timber Drive to Hilltop Lane, with a width of 66' by Timber to 25' by Hilltop. If the property is offered for sale to the surrounding homeowners, the Village would retain an easement for a water main on the property. Trustee Prigge would also like to consider a path for residents on the property. The Board did not know if both adjoining property owners must be offered the right to purchase. The Board will delay further discussion until the next meeting to allow all trustees to view the property.
2. A company, Signs Now, has submitted a quote of \$5,745 to clean, file, sand, and repaint all 13 village entry signs. The company that originally created the signs will be asked for a repair quote also.
3. It was noted that the Sleepy Hollow population sign on Route 72 is laying on the ground.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:00 P.M.  
MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson  
Village Clerk