

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 5, 2010

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall. Board members in attendance were President Stephen Pickett, Trustees Scott Finney, Dennis Fudala, Russell Getz, Jeff Seiler, Steve Wind, and Donald Ziemba. Also in attendance were Police Chief Jim Montalbano, Finance Director Ellen Volkening, Village Attorney Mark Schuster and Village Engineer Eric Weiss.

MINUTES

1. Seiler moved with a second from Wind to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of March 15, 2010. Motion passed with Ziemba abstaining.

PRESIDENT

1. The Governor has proposed reducing the share of state revenue to municipalities by 30%, which would impact the Village by over \$80,000. Wind moved with a second from Seiler to approve Resolution No. 405 entitled "A Resolution Opposing Reduction of Local Government Distributive Fund." Motion passed unanimously.
2. QuadCom has submitted a proclamation to declare April 11-17, 2010 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in honor of the people who help keep our community safe. Getz moved with a second from Wind to approve the proclamation. Motion passed unanimously.
3. ComEd is installing 131,000 smart meters and billing residents an additional \$5 per year. This information along with the benefits of these meters will be included in the next newsletter.
4. Mr. Schuster will be contacting the City of Elgin to begin discussions on the renewal of our water agreement which expires in 2013.
5. The Thirsty Vine would like to hold a wine festival June 25-27 in the parking area adjacent to the Thirsty Vine and entry to the festival will be restricted. They anticipate 4-6,000 people over the three day event and they hope to utilize parking at Springhill Mall. Outside vendors and live music will be provided. The liquor license ordinance will be reviewed and a special permit may be required.

CLERK

1. ComEd submitted a revised permit request indicating they will bore under the resident driveways. Ziemba moved with a second from Finney to approve W.O. No. 0682904. Motion passed unanimously.
2. AT&T submitted a permit request for work on Boncosky. Ziemba moved with a second from Wind to approve the AT&T request dated March 22, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Wind moved with a second from Getz to approve Resolution No. 406 entitled "A Resolution for Construction on State Highway." Motion passed unanimously. This is for work performed on state roads.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION

Chairman Art Neil reminded the Board that there is a public hearing on Wednesday regarding the zoning petitions. Mr. Neil asked that Mr. Schuster explain the petitions at the hearing and requested that a member of the Board be present to also discuss these petitions.

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ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

1. Mr. Schuster reviewed his memo and some background on the Comcast franchise. Comcast submitted a new franchise agreement which appears to prefer the FCC requirements over the State requirements enacted a few years ago. Mr. Schuster noted that the agreement has some differences from the Illinois cable laws and noted that some of the local municipalities that were previously part of the Fox Valley Cable Consortium, as well as numerous additional Illinois municipalities, have already signed a new franchise agreement with Comcast. He noted one of the major agreement changes relates to the construction standards and right-of-way. On a question from a trustee, Mr. Schuster was not certain of notice requirements. Trustee Seiler asked about the franchise fee and was advised that Comcast is proposing changes to audits and delinquent payments. Residents should be advised of this proposal and have an opportunity to comment, and Mr. Schuster suggested we continue the discussion to the May 3 meeting, at which time residents may ask questions. A public hearing is not necessary, but the meeting will start one-half hour earlier, at 7 p.m., to permit discussion of this issue.

ENGINEER

No report.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Getz to approve the accounts payable of April 5, 2010 in the amount of \$55,971.72. Aye: Ziemba, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Seiler, Wind. Motion passed.
2. Ziemba moved with a second from Finney to approve an employee three day vacation carry over, to be used within 60 days of the new fiscal year. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Bob Gresko of Crane Court submitted a letter to the Board regarding the extensive landscape damage on his property from the increasing deer population and asked the Board to take action to cull the deer in the Village.
2. Scott Holtz of Beau Brummel spoke on behalf of the deer and said deer are part of the attraction of Sleepy Hollow and he does not want the Board to permit shooting in the Village to cull the deer.
3. Matt Mayer of Beau Brummel also spoke against culling the deer and his concern with hunting deer in the Village, although he agrees the population has increased.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

1. Trustee Getz is working on the Park District intergovernmental agreement.

FINANCE

1. We received a letter from our health insurance broker concerning increased costs and possibly switching insurance providers. Trustee Ziemba felt we should have all employees complete the insurance application and submit to Humana for a cost quote. This matter will be discussed further at the next meeting.

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WATER AND SEWER

1. Mr. Schuster will review and advise on handling a resident with a water balance who filed bankruptcy and is now in foreclosure. Seiler moved with a second from Ziemba to approve the water and sewer accounts to be written off for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2010, for a credit in the amount of \$177.56. Aye: Seiler, Ziemba, Finney, Fudala, Getz, Wind. Motion passed.
2. Trustee Seiler said that the average water efficiency in 2008 was 60%; from January through July 2009 it was 58% (before leaks fixed); and from August 2009 to March 2010 it was 91%. However, there are conflicts between the dates the meters are read by Elgin and the Village and this will be coordinated to ensure more accurate efficiency calculations. Trustee Seiler would like to be more proactive in locating possible leaks as soon as efficiency drops. President Pickett noted that the Metro West group has a water task force that will determine efficiency of all municipalities.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Wind moved with a second from Finney to approve the immediate hiring of Victoria Gwizdak and Sean Duffy as part time officers at \$11.50 per hour. Aye: Wind, Finney, Fudala, Getz, Seiler, Ziemba. Motion passed. Both new officers were then sworn in by the Clerk.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Trustee Finney thanked all volunteers who helped clean up Sleepy Hollow Road; 40 bags of trash were removed in about 1-1/2 hours.
2. Rain barrels will again be sold to residents at \$70 each. Finney moved with a second from Wind to approve the purchase of 25 black, gray, or terra cotta rain barrels from Chicago Rain Barrel for a total cost of \$1,554. Aye: Finney, Wind, Fudala, Getz, Seiler, Ziemba. Motion passed.
3. Trustee Finney recommended that the Lake Sharon dam project be set aside at this time because of lack of Village funds.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. About 15 bags of trash were removed from the open area behind Anne Court where a resident had been camping. Public Works will prepare an estimate of time for further clean up necessary in the area.
2. There has been no further word from the Brars on the development.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

Seiler moved with a second from Getz to adjourn to executive session at 8:40 p.m. for the purpose of personnel and collective bargaining pursuant to Sections 2(c)(1) and (2) of the Open Meetings Act. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Wind, Ziemba. Motion passed.

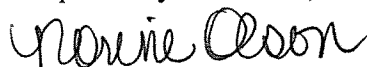
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The regular meeting resumed at 9:45 p.m.

Ziemba moved with a second from Getz to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk