# VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**OCTOBER 1, 2012** 

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, Joseph Nemec, Jeff Seiler, and Donald Ziemba. Also in attendance were Village Attorney Mark Schuster, Village Engineer Jeff Steele, Finance Director Ellen Volkening, and Interim Police Chief Jim Linane.

#### **MINUTES**

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Getz to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2012. Motion passed unanimously.

Finney moved with a second from Ziemba to amend the agenda to move the hiring of a police officer to be heard now. Motion passed unanimously. Interim Chief Linane recommended Eric Lee as a candidate for part time police officer. Finney moved with a second from Ziemba to hire Eric Lee as a part time police officer effective immediately. Motion passed unanimously. The clerk gave the oath of office to the new officer.

#### **PRESIDENT**

- 1. There is a post development storm water standards meeting on October 2 in Aurora.
- 2. IDOT is holding an open house to review their 2013-2019 improvements program in several locations this week.
- 3. The newly formatted newsletter is on its way to the residents.
- 4. President Pickett recently attended Metro West Council and Mayors Caucus meetings where attendees were advised that the state may again try to attack the local governments' distributive funds. Pensions are also a big topic.
- 5. An employment agreement has been prepared for Interim Police Chief Linane.

## **CLERK**

1. <u>Getz moved with a second from Seiler to approve Randy's Fall Fest to be held during the month of October.</u> Motion passed unanimously.

# PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

#### **ZONING BOARD**

No report.

# **ZBA**

No report.

#### **ATTORNEY**

No report.

#### **ENGINEER**

1. Mr. Steele submitted an estimate to resurface Beau Brummel which is extremely high because it is the end of the season. He recommended, and the Board agreed, to wait until next year

to consider this project, when the bids would be substantially lower. The project should be prepared for bids early next year. Mr. Steele also suggested a new road improvements schedule for the next few years be prepared. Schroeder will be doing some road patching in the village over the next few weeks.

- 2. The final inspection was done on the Beau Brummel water improvements and work is done except for the patching. Final pay estimates should be submitted at the next meeting.
- 3. CMAC has changed the local agency agreement for the bike path regarding the engineering, by making it only a preliminary engineering, rather than both a preliminary and construction engineering agreement. The Board agreed that the engineer could simply send a corrected front page of the agreement, rather than sign a new agreement. A separate construction agreement will be submitted for approval at a later date.

# **DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Seiler to approve the accounts payable of October 1, 2012 in the amount of \$294,990.00. Aye: Ziemba, Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.

Tim Lintner of Republic Services presented a proposal to extend the current trash/recycling contract for another 5 years. One wheeled recycle cart will be supplied to all residents as part of the extended contract; if damaged, they will be replaced by Republic at no cost. There are different sizes available. Rental of a trash cart will be reduced from \$5 to \$2.50 per month. The Republic rates will remain the same for the 1st year of the extension and increase 2.5% for each of the remaining 4 years. Leaf pick up in October and November (starting 2013) must be in yard waste bags only, no containers. Discounts to seniors were considered, but it was determined this was not a viable option. Namec moved with a second from Getz to extend the Republic Services contract for 5 years consistent with the terms in the letter dated September 24, 2012 from Tim Lintner. Aye: Namec, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Seiler, Ziemba. Motion passed. Republic will deliver the carts to all residents.

## COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

# PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

1. Public Works has the information/photos on swales that need work. The chipper has been purchased and some tree trimming has been done on the south end Sleepy Hollow Road.

#### **FINANCE**

No report.

#### WATER AND SEWER

No report.

## POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Interim Chief Linane updated the Board since he started 1-1/2 weeks ago. He has met most officers. The department will be updated with a new software dispatch system that has GPS to track all squad cars. It will also upgrade the reporting system for greater efficiency. Other local departments are already part of this system.

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. There was a meeting with a contractor to discuss an emergency generator and the quote is substantially higher than anticipated (\$23,000+) due to the need for a 3-phase generator because of the 3-phase motor wiring for the blower on our current heating/air conditioning unit. It was questioned why the village needed a 3-phase motor and whether we could reduce that in order to purchase a much less expensive generator. These options should be explored.

## **BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT**

1. The new home under construction on Crane Court that backs to Sleepy Hollow Road requested access to the property from Sleepy Hollow Road in order to remove dead trees and install new trees as required by the village to replace trees that had previously been cut down in violation of village ordinance. A rep from Trinity Landscape was present to review their landscape plans for the property. They are unable to access the property from Crane Court for this work. It will also be necessary to close one lane of Sleepy Hollow Road for one day to do the work. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the plans, with the requirement that the Environmental Committee review the list of proposed trees to be installed on the property prior to planting. Motion passed unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Attorney Schuster will follow up with John Ryan of Land and Water Resources, who has not responded to village emails on funds due the village.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. President Pickett noted that there were some concerns expressed at the Metro West meeting regarding the Illinois Municipal League and its transparency and other issues.
- 2. There are some property line issues between village and the adjacent fire department involving encroachments. Mr. Schuster suggested surveys be done, the property lines adjusted between the two entities and new deeds prepared. The Board directed Mr. Schuster to begin an investigation on this matter and report back.

Seiler moved with a second from Getz to adjourn to executive session at 8:48 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec, Ziemba. Motion passed.

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The regular meeting resumed at 9:10 p.m.

Seiler moved with a second from Finney to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Norine Olson Village Clerk