

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 2, 2015

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 Stephan Pickett and 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, Director of Finance Ellen Volkening and Police Chief James Linane.

MINUTES

1. Nemec moved with a second from Fudala to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2015. Corrections were made under Public Buildings and #3 of New Business. Motion passed unanimously with corrections.

PRESIDENT

1. President Pickett presented a resolution asking the state to distribute funds due municipalities that they are holding due to the budget impasse. Nemec moved with a second from Getz to approve Resolution No. 473, "A Resolution Urging Illinois State Leaders to Release Non-General Fund Revenues Payable to Local Governments." Motion passed unanimously. President Pickett also updated the board on other state legislative issues.

2. President Pickett stated that the Zoning Board will not hear the cell tower issue on Wednesday as it does not require a special use permit per Section 8.1.15e(2) since it will be located on village property. However, there will be a village board special meeting at the same time instead to allow National Wireless Ventures to make their presentation as planned and give residents the opportunity to speak.

CLERK

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

No report.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

1. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve Ordinance No. 2015-12, "An Ordinance Amending the Village Code to Provide for Maintenance, Repair, and Replacement of Culverts, Swales, Drainage Easements and Other Drainways in the Village." Aye: Seiler, Getz, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed. The Village Engineer has also reviewed this ordinance.

2. Mr. Schuster discussed the ordinance summary posted on the village website and his review of early zoning ordinances. Sheds and fences were first prohibited on January 16, 1978. He briefly reviewed the ordinance regarding sheds, boats and RVs. Mr. Schuster will submit a revised summary for Board review that can replace the current summary on the website. (Trustee Ziemba

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arrived.) He also suggested that modifications be made to the zoning code to make it easier to understand, possibly clarify definitions, and eliminate obsolete information. This could be taken up by the Zoning Board the next time they meet.

ENGINEER

1. The Boncosky Road improvements and 2015 Village street improvements are complete.
2. The Engineer received a quote of \$56,785 from Patnick Construction for the Glen Oak/Winmoor water main replacement. The higher quote is due to several ComEd lines and fiber optic cable in the area which will require exploratory digging. (Trustee Finney arrived.) ComEd agreed to remove their old lines at the time the project is done. Seiler moved with a second from Nemec to approve the Patnick bid of \$56,785 for the water main replacement at Glen Oak and Winmoor. Aye: Seiler, Nemec, Finney, Fudala, Getz, Ziemba. Motion passed.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Seiler to approve the accounts payable of November 2, 2015 in the amount of \$64,586.24. Aye: Ziemba, Seiler, Finney, Fudala, Getz, Nemec. Motion passed.
2. Ziemba moved with a second from Getz to approve the water and sewer account write offs as presented. Aye: Ziemba, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec, Seiler. Motion passed.
3. The Village must adopt a resolution to continue its Section 125 plan for employees. Seiler moved with a second from Ziemba to approve Resolution No. 474, "A Resolution Adopting a Section 125 Premium Only Plan for the Village for the Year Ending December 31, 2016." Motion passed unanimously.
4. Mrs. Volkening submitted a proposed holiday schedule for Village Hall office hours. Ziemba moved with a second from Seiler to approve the office closings as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Linda Rizza of Stevens Court said she has had a pop up camper in her driveway for several years and has received letter that she must remove it from the driveway. She was advised that she could appeal this decision to the Code Enforcement Officer by asking for a review.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

1. It was the consensus of the Board that vehicle stickers and animal tags remain at the same cost as last year. There was some discussion on possibly eliminating stickers if a referendum was passed by residents. It was noted that many towns do not require vehicle stickers.

FINANCE

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Seiler to accept the fiscal year 2015 annual audit report. Motion passed unanimously.

WATER AND SEWER

No report.

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POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Finney moved with a second from Seiler to approve Resolution No. 475, "A Resolution Encouraging the Sleepy Hollow Police Department to Adopt and Implement a Law Enforcement Explorer Program." The Chief noted that the cost is very minimal and any officer's time in the program is voluntary and on his own time. Motion passed with Ziemba voting nay.
2. The Chief said there were no problems during Halloween trick or treating. He also informed the board of recent repairs to the two SUVs.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Dead trees were recently removed in the Village.
2. Two Eagle Scouts are working on different projects in the Village, which will include work by Lake Sharon, on the pathways over bridges, and installation of bat houses in different areas in the Village.
3. There are dead trees on the vacant land behind Willow Lane which are difficult to access and we may want to look into creating an access area to that land.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

1. The code enforcement program is moving along well.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Resident Mike Tennis read a statement to give the Board his thoughts on preparing for a successful tax referendum next spring, and what the Finance Committee will be discussing at their meeting tomorrow which include proposals regarding the employee insurance programs.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The Board briefly discussed building permit fees and a possible increase to the fees. Fees for surrounding communities will be obtained for comparison. President Pickett will speak with ICCI regarding their fees for building permits.

Nemec moved with a second from Ziemba to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk