

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 16, 2016

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:33 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, and Jeff Seiler. Trustee Ziemba was absent. Also in attendance were Village Attorney Mark Schuster, Director of Finance Ellen Volkening and Police Chief James Linane.

MINUTES

1. Seiler moved with a second from Fudala approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of May 2-9, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT

1. President Pickett said that Randy's Farm wishes to proceed with the rezoning of the property from R-1 to B-3. This matter will come before both the Plan Commission and the Zoning Board for consideration. A hearing before the Zoning Board is set for June 9.

CLERK

1. A draft newsletter was submitted for comments.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

1. Chairman Kruger advised that a member of the Zoning Board will be resigning as he is moving.

2. Trustee Nemec reviewed a list of information he obtained for an ordinance for the proposal to permit chickens in the Village. Finney moved with a second from Nemec to authorize the Village President to prepare and sign a petition for the Zoning Board to consider chickens in the Village. Aye: Finney, Nemec, Fudala, Getz. Nay: Seiler. Motion passed. This matter will also be considered by the Zoning Board at their upcoming hearing.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

1. Mr. Schuster and the Board discussed the revised draft of proposed zoning text amendments. Trustee Nemec questioned whether we should include that ATVs cannot be parked on driveways. The Board discussed, with comments from the Code Enforcement Officer and Police Chief, and did not wish to pursue the issue. The Code Enforcement Officer suggested the Village institute a registration program for all boats, trailers, RVs, etc. to enable easier enforcement of ordinances. The Board was in favor of this program which will require a separate ordinance to establish the parameters of the program. An ordinance will be presented at the next meeting for the zoning text amendments. (Mr. Schuster left the meeting.)

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ENGINEER

1. The projects update report was reviewed.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the accounts payable of May 16, 2016 in the amount of \$84,784.39. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.
2. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the fiscal year 2016 operating transfers. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.
3. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve Ordinance No. 2016-4 "An Ordinance Making Appropriation Transfers for Corporate Purposes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2015 and Ending April 30, 2016." Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.
4. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve Resolution No. 482, "Resolution Designating Capital Improvement Fund Balance Reserve for Vehicles, Building/Property Improvements and Equipment for Fiscal Year Ended April 30, 2016". Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.
5. Finney moved with a second from Seiler to approve the executive time off payout for the police chief. Aye: Finney, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed. This is for 58 hours pay.

8:00 p.m. Resident Bill Hof of Hilltop Lane, who has done clean up on Sleepy Hollow Road, is looking for village volunteers to help him clean Village property, such as cul de sacs, etc. This will also be in the upcoming newsletter. He asked about new property on Beau Brummel with high weeds and was advised by President Pickett on the status of the property. Mr. Hof also asked about the low use of the side mower by Public Works and was advised by Trustee Nemec on this piece of equipment.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Anthony Piraino of Stevens Court asked about solicitors with no permits, status of the cell tower, and disabled vehicles in driveways and was advised on all concerns.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

1. Getz moved with a second from Seiler to approve the hiring of one additional part time summer employee for Public Works at \$10.20 per hour. Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE

1. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the fiscal year 2017 salary/hourly wages for non-union employees. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala. Abstain: Nemec. Motion passed.
2. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Budget. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.

WATER AND SEWER

1. Sewer efficiency ended the year very well; we are waiting another month for water. The resident survey for a new water main extension showed little interest – the vote was 42 no and 4 yes. We will not pursue this connection.

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POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Chief Linane briefly reviewed the monthly activity report and said he has requested the list of registered vehicles in Sleepy Hollow from the Secretary of State to compare with vehicle stickers purchased in the Village. There was some discussion on handling of cars that are registered in Sleepy Hollow but not kept in the village; the details have not been worked out but those types of cases will be individually reviewed.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. It was agreed the Village will delay replacing streetlights while Trustee Nemec looks for possible grants to cover the cost.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The rugby tournament will take place all day Saturday in Sabatino Park.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

Seiler moved with a second from Getz to adjourn to executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss personnel pursuant to §2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:42 p.m.

Seiler moved with a second from Getz to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Norine Olson
Village Clerk