

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

FEBRUARY 1, 1993

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order on February 1, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Peterson; Trustees Harney, Johnson, Roberts, Shields, Tennis, and Williams; Treasurer Panning; Police Chief Montalbano; Engineer Powers; and Clerk Olson.

MINUTES:

1. The regular minutes of January 18, 1993 should be changed on page 2, under Treasurer, #1, in the motion, the word "hold" should be "whole". TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM SHIELDS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE WITH HARNEY AND JOHNSON ABSTAINING.
2. SHIELDS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM TENNIS TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 1993 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE WITH HARNEY AND JOHNSON ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

1. Requested an executive session to discuss personnel.
2. The plan commission meeting is next week.
3. The map concerning the proposed park area on the Target property is being returned to West Dundee. The trustees would like a much smaller parking lot (8-10 spaces) on the Locust side and more landscaping from the nearby homes. They would also like security lighting in the parking lot.
4. Received a letter from the Kane County Division of Transportation stating that they had done an impact study on the widening of Randall Road to Big Timber Road.
5. A new vehicle registration form has been proposed that would be less time consuming for the office staff. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ROBERTS TO APPROVE THE NEW VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM FOR 1993. AYE: HARNEY-ROBERTS-JOHNSON-TENNIS-WILLIAMS. NO: SHIELDS. MOTION PASSED.

CLERK:

1. Comments on newsletter draft should be submitted to the Clerk.
2. Commonwealth Edison would like to put meters on two houses in the village to monitor power outages. Clerk will contact the ComEd rep and give addresses of Trustee Harney and resident Cynthia Barber on Sycamore, if she is agreeable. It was also decided that President Peterson would be the village/ComEd contact along with Terri Jersky concerning ComEd problems.
3. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ROBERTS TO APPOINT TRUSTEE SHIELDS AS OUR VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CABLE COMMITTEE. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE.
HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM JOHNSON TO APPOINT TRUSTEE ROBERTS AS THE ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE CABLE COMMITTEE FOR OUR VILLAGE. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE.
4. Petitions signed by 28 residents were presented to the Clerk to submit the following referendum question at the April election: "Shall the Village of Sleepy Hollow adopt Article 3 of the Illinois Pension Code pertaining to the creation of a police

pension fund?" Although the County told the Clerk this question is only advisory, and not binding, resident Jim Kruger, who circulated the petitions, informed the board that this referendum is binding on the Village. He is also getting costs for the Village from the Illinois Dept. of Insurance and the Illinois Police Pension Assn.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

1. The engineer has written a second letter to the EPA concerning the Bohanek water problem and has not yet received a response.
2. IDOT has authorized a 95% payment to Stahl and 90% payment to Geske at this time. The remainder will be paid at a later date.
3. Engineer advised that we should receive November bills this week and December bills next week. The long delays are attributed to a 1-1/2 year transfer to a new accounting system.
4. The Maria Court leak has been repaired.
5. The Saddle Club entrance electrical wiring is complete. We are waiting for the trenching work to be done.
6. Stevens Court work is thought to be complete. However, some minor additional repair work may be necessary.

*****OPEN TO THE PUBLIC*****

1. John Bohanek discussed his water bills which he feels are incorrect in that he was due a credit of \$4.25 for flushing his pipes. He also objected to the service charges when he does not pay his disputed bills. He was told to bring down the paperwork on what he feels he owes the village and it will be straightened out. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM SHIELDS TO TABLE THE MATTER. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE.

TREASURER:

1. Warrants. Add \$10 to the Secretary of State for renewal of Chief Montalbano's notary. Also add \$1,200.06 to ERM. This is for additional site investigation activities, preparing reimbursement application, etc. This exceeds our previously authorized amount by \$886.60. We will be exceeding their original dollar estimates, but it should not be excessive. The board recognized Police Corp. Childs for his initiative in taking a Spanish class.

TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ROBERTS TO APPROVE THE WARRANTS AS REVISED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,820.80. AYE: TENNIS-ROBERTS-HARNEY-JOHNSON-SHIELDS-WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED.

ROADS & PARKS:

1. IDOT requested that we pass a resolution requiring contractors working on state roadways within our jurisdiction to obtain surety bonds. This does not include work done by village personnel. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ROBERTS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 206 SUBMITTED BY IDOT REQUIRING CONTRACTORS WORKING ON STATE ROADWAYS WITHIN OUR JURISDICTION TO OBTAIN SURETY BONDS. AYE: HARNEY-ROBERTS-JOHNSON-SHIELDS-TENNIS-WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED.

2. The company hired for the crack sealing of the roads has not yet finished the job. They will start incurring penalties soon if the work is not complete.

3. The electrical work is done at Saddle Club; only the trench work remains.

4. Trustee Harney is meeting with Commonwealth Edison to discuss tree trimming along the bridal path between Winmoore and Willow, which has been requested by residents.

5. Have received specs for the half ton pick up, but will discuss at a later date.

FINANCE:

Looked into refinancing the 1980 bonds. This is not feasible at this time, but may be a possibility in early 1995, generating possible savings of over \$60,000.

WATER:

1. Mr. Nemec of 1704 Kay Court has disputed a water bill from last summer of \$335.00. An analysis of his account indicated that this was a high bill, but the water meter was tested and results showed it was reading accurately. Based on these facts, Trustee Johnson feels the water bill should be paid by the resident. The board concurred.

2. IEPA will have stronger testing requirements next year which will require a higher monetary output by the village, approximately an additional \$2,000.00.

3. Briefly discussed the water agreements with Larry Rice. Comments from Elgin should be forthcoming shortly, but there doesn't seem to be any major problems with our changes.

4. Elgin will be recalibrating our water meter. In the interim, we will be required to purchase a new water meter at a cost of \$1,062.00.

POLICE:

1. Our letter to the Illinois Public Action Committee denying their request to forego the \$5 application fee per solicitor has not been challenged. Chief Montalbano has been asked to submit total department costs to process each solicitor application in the event that the \$5 fee may be too low.

2. A squad car was damaged when it hit a deer. Estimated repair cost is \$1,300. The Chief knows someone who can repair the car at a lower cost. A claim with the insurance company should be filed.

3. Carpentersville Fire District will be joining QuadCom. The trustees expressed concern about the money they owed when they withdrew previously and requested that it be questioned by Trustee Shields. Barrington has made inquiries to QuadCom about costs. QuadCom is also looking for new space.

4. SHIELDS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM TENNIS TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW SQUAD CAR AT A COST OF \$13,478.18. AYE: SHIELDS-TENNIS-HARNEY-JOHNSON-ROBERTS-WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED. We have been offered \$1,300 for a trade-in by the dealer.

5. SHIELDS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A MPH MODEL K-55 RADAR UNIT FROM MPH INDUSTRIES AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$875.00. AYE: SHIELDS-HARNEY-JOHNSON-ROBERTS-TENNIS-WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED. The radar units are recalibrated annually. Trustees questioned the amount of radiation emitted from the units.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

The weed/grass ordinance is still on hold waiting for the list of acceptable grasses.

BUILDING:

1. The day care operator is still interested in one of the Chateau buildings.
2. Jurele Kahoun of 817 Locust sent a letter and pictures detailing salt damage on her property caused by her location on the downside of a hill. Installing a swale on the property would be very costly.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

SHIELDS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:45 P.M. AYE: SHIELDS-HARNEY-JOHNSON-ROBERTS-TENNIS-WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED.

The regular meeting reconvened at 10:25 p.m. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM SHIELDS THAT THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE RESIDENT PETITIONS FILED FRIDAY REQUESTING A REFERENDUM QUESTION THAT READS "SHALL THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW ADOPT ARTICLE 3 OF THE ILLINOIS PENSION CODE PERTAINING TO THE CREATION OF A POLICE PENSION FUND?" BE REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE THE FINANCIAL IMPACT THAT SUCH A REFERENDUM WILL HAVE ON THE VILLAGE'S BUDGET AND REPORT BACK AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE.

SHIELDS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM TENNIS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:30 P.M. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

FEBRUARY 1, 1993

The Executive session began on February 1, 1993 at 9:45 p.m. In attendance were President Peterson; Trustees Harney, Johnson, Roberts, Shields, Tennis and Williams; and Clerk Olson.

The discussion concerned the petitions filed to put a question to the residents relative to a police pension fund. We are required to put the question on the ballot in the April election. Ron Panning prepared cost estimates to establish a police pension fund. The figures will need to be verified with the State. The trustees agree a police pension plan is a good idea, but questioned how we can finance it. Start up costs to fund the accrued liability would be over \$500,000. It was decided to ask Ron Panning to contact the State to verify numbers. The mailing of the newsletter should be delayed and correct facts and numbers should be objectively included in the newsletter, including what it will cost the residents financially. A village tax levy would mean an approximate 43% increase in taxes for the first year. It was suggested that we might offer an alternate type of retirement plan. Trustee Harney would like any type of plan to cover all employees, not just the police. Trustee Tennis would like to refer the matter to the Finance Committee for review and response back to the board. It was also felt it might help to "broadcast" the matter to the residents by discussing it in regular session while reporters are present. Residents need to know what they may be getting into before they vote on the question. The Clerk will contact our attorney to check the town that supposedly challenged whether the question is binding and found that it was. In discussions with the police a few years ago, they were not interested in any plan that involved a contribution from them.

Tennis moved with a second from Roberts to return to the regular meeting at 10:25 p.m. Motion passed by voice.

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