

REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

MAY 6, 1996

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees DeBolt, Harney, and Tennis; Treasurer Panning; Police Chief Montalbano; Attorney Schuster; Engineer Koenig; Deputy Clerk Johson, and Clerk Olson. Trustees Fuqua, Johnson, and Williams were absent.

MINUTES:

1. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES OF APRIL 15, 1996 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH TENNIS ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

1. The village of Carpentersville and Dundee Township Park District are requested donations to establish a boys and girls club for Dundee Township youth. We will not contribute as a village, but this will be put in the next newsletter for residents to consider.
2. The Bluffs' homeowners association has requested our assistance in getting three street lights repaired in their subdivision. This is the responsibility of the subcontractor. We have not yet accepted this subdivision for maintenance and there is still an outstanding performance bond. Attorney Schuster will prepare a letter to be signed by President Shields requesting performance from the subcontractor.
3. Received a letter from Windy City Balloon offering free hot air balloon rides to all officials.
4. ZBA Chair Nancy Johnson submitted a letter of resignation to President Shields. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO ACCEPT WITH REGRET THE RESIGNATION OF NANCY JOHNSON AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE ZBA. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.
5. President received two proposals to clean up several cul de sac areas in the village, including trimming trees, mulching, etc. The low bid was \$605 from Steve Wiedemeyer. Trustee Tennis asked that we request a certificate of insurance from Wiedemeyer for his work in the village. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE LOW BID OF \$605 FROM STEVE WIEDEMAYER, SUBJECT TO OBTAINING A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR ALL WORK DONE FOR THE VILLAGE. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED.

CLERK:

1. The village property south of the village limits on the east side of Sleepy Hollow Road is again being farmed by Wayne Kaschub. We have not yet requested his yearly rental which was due in January. The Board agreed this amount should be \$600.00 for the year ending 12/31/96. Clerk will check the value of this parcel to determine if the rental should be raised next year. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO CHARGE PROPERTY RENTAL OF \$600.00 TO WAYNE KASCHUB FOR THE VILLAGE PROPERTY ON SLEEPY HOLLOW ROAD. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

No report.

ZBA:

1. Chair Johnson presented ZBA file #174. This involves a variance

on the side yard setback for 19 River Ridge Road in the Bluffs. The owner of the property is August Domel. This setback is necessary to accommodate the fireplace and window wells. The ZBA recommends we allow a variance of 2'2". HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM TENNIS TO ACCEPT THE ZBA'S RECOMMENDATION FOR A VARIANCE AT 19 RIVER RIDGE DRIVE AS PRESENTED BY THE ZBA. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

ATTORNEY:

1. Twin Sewer has been given until 5/10/96 to complete all outstanding work. After that date, if the work is not completed, we will terminate their contract and proceed with the bonding company to file claims for us and all subcontractors. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE ATTORNEY TO NOTIFY TWIN SEWER THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF A POSITIVE RESPONSE, THE CONTRACT WILL BE TERMINATED AND THE BONDING COMPANY WILL BE NOTIFIED TO IMPLEMENT OUR CLAIM AGAINST THE PERFORMANCE BOND. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.
2. A lawsuit has been filed against the village concerning a traffic stop by the police last spring. The village attorney has forwarded this to our insurance company. The matter is up in court next month.
3. The discussions are still on-going in the Metropolitan matter concerning the vacant apartment buildings. This is up in court in early June. It was noted that these buildings are not secured in any way and there is concern about injuries to children playing in them. The village attorney will notify the appropriate individuals to board up these buildings.
4. Attorney Schuster will review the information on the erosion problem in Hickory Hollow and advise the board as to what, if any, liability the village may have in this matter. The Board does not feel we have any liability. Until we receive the attorney's opinion, we should not communicate with Hickory Hollow residents on this issue.

ENGINEER:

1. The MFT bid opening is May 16 at 10:00 a.m.
2. Our engineer was told by the county highway dept. that the access points on Randall Road have not yet been determined.
3. Advised Elgin of the Twin Sewer situation as it relates to the repairs to be finished on McLean.
4. Met with Elgin water official, along with Art and Trustee Williams, concerning metering of the new vault. This discussion will continue at a later date.

TREASURER:

1. April 30, 1996 warrants. Add \$127.60 for the Village of Carpentersville, \$622.00 for Kane DuPage Soil, \$165.14 for Susan Wilson, and \$1,036.76 for Spring Hill Auto. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59,714.39. AYE: TENNIS, HARNEY, DEBOLT. MOTION PASSED.
2. May 3, 1996 warrants. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,278.68. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED.
3. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 96-8 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 1995 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 1996. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED.
4. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE GENERAL FUND AND IN THE WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE O&M FUND AS PRESENTED BY THE VILLAGE TREASURER. AYE: TENNIS, HARNEY, DEBOLT. MOTION PASSED.

5. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE SALARY AND HOURLY WAGE RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997 AS PRESENTED BY THE VILLAGE TREASURER IN HIS LETTER DATED MAY 3, 1996. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT. NAY: HARNEY. MOTION PASSED. Trustee Harney stated her very strong objections to Public Works not getting the raise that she thought was necessary.

6. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE THE CHANGES IN THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AS PRESENTED BY THE VILLAGE TREASURER INITIATING A LIMITED PARTICIPATION FOR DEPENDENT HEALTH DENTAL COVERAGE AND INCREASING THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION BENEFITS. AYE: TENNIS, HARNEY, DEBOLT. MOTION PASSED.

7. We have received a quote for \$3,700 to repair two sewer manhole covers. Trustee Harney will research to find a lower cost.

8. The final operating budget will be presented at the next meeting.

9. The appropriation public hearing will be June 3, 1996 at 7:15 p.m.

9. We have received no response from Beltz Excavating concerning our request to clean up from work performed on Stevens Court. We will now hire someone to do the work and pay that contractor from the money retained from Beltz' invoice.

10. We have been paid \$7,533.32 from John Regan concerning his property on Route 72. We have subsequently billed him an additional \$4,923.22.

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

Resident George Hinkfus and his wife were present to protest the penalty they were charged for their late purchase of village stickers and animal tags. He said the penalties were not stated in the paperwork they received for the stickers. President Shields had a current application which did indicate the penalties. There was some question if there was more than one form mailed to residents and not all may have noted the penalties. The Board explained they did not want to set a precedent in waiving these penalties and that residents were given ample notice of the due date for these stickers.

#### ROADS & PARKS:

At the request of Trustee Fuqua, Trustee Harney moved to remove the weight restrictions on the village roads. Harney withdrew her motion after she was advised that Trustee Fuqua had since decided the roads were not ready to have the weight restrictions lifted.

#### FINANCE:

1. Klayman and Korman have submitted their proposal for our annual audit. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THE ENGAGEMENT LETTER TO EMPLOY KLAYMAN AND KORMAN FOR THE VILLAGE FINANCIAL AUDIT. AYE: TENNIS, HARNEY, DEBOLT. MOTION PASSED.

#### WATER:

No report.

#### POLICE:

1. Chief Montalbano has four vacation days left from last fiscal year that he would like to take this year. DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY THAT CHIEF MONTALBANO BE GIVEN PERMISSION TO ROLL HIS FOUR DAYS LEFT FROM LAST YEAR INTO THE 1996-97 FISCAL YEAR. AYE: DEBOLT, HARNEY, TENNIS. MOTION PASSED. Trustee Tennis requested that he not wait too long to take these four days and that he use all vacation days that will accrue this fiscal year during this year.

2. We are still in the appellate court on the Quad Com/unionization matter. If we lose this appeal, we will probably have no choice in Quad Com becoming unionized. President Shields feels we are being billed twice by two different attorneys working on this matter.

#### HEALTH & SANITATION:

1. We are out of sewer pumps. TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF UP TO FIVE PUMPS AS NEEDED, AT A COST OF \$1,607 EACH. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED. We are also having problems with the performance of the tank seals as well, which can cause the pumps to burn out. Art has installed a flexible line on those systems which we have had to repair. This may be a design flaw by the pump manufacturer. Trustee Tennis suggested we have the village attorney prepare a letter to the pump manufacturer claiming design failure for intended purpose and request retrofit on all systems that do not have flexible lines. We should also claim our costs of installation by Art on those systems that have already been fitted with the flexible line.

2. Trustee has found that the grant she is researching for Sleepy Creek stabilization requires 50% use of native grasses, which the landscape project around the Village Hall does not have in its design. The landscape architect claims he does meet the 50% requirement. It was suggested that we condition our acceptance of his landscape contract with the grant's approval of the plant specifications.

3. Discussed the problem of unauthorized dumping on the burn pile. It was decided that dumping would be allowed by village employees only. If residents wish to discard their tree limbs and brush in this manner, they must reserve the village truck through the loan a truck program and public works will then put the items on the pile. We will also have to burn the pile a couple times during the summer, other than Halloween, to reduce the pile.

4. Trustee Harney said the erosion from the dam on Hillcrest is on village property. Since the residents in the area are willing to do the work, we should have them obtain cost quotes on materials and bring them to the board.

#### BUILDING:

No report.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

The bill from Attorney Schuster was not included in the warrants.

TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO PAY THE BILL OF \$1,231.25 TO THE VILLAGE ATTORNEYS, ALONG WITH OUR OTHER BILLS. AYE: TENNIS, HARNEY, DEBOLT. MOTION PASSED.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

TENNIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:30 P.M. AYE: TENNIS, DEBOLT, HARNEY. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson, Village Clerk