

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

APRIL 6, 1998

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, Nemec, and Williams; Police Chief Montalbano; Treasurer Panning; Attorney Schuster; Engineer Naylor; and Clerk Olson. Trustees Czerniawski and Merkel were absent.

MINUTES:

1. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 1998. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

PRESIDENT:

1. President Shields and Zoning Enforcement Officer Joel Kruse walked the area behind Willow Lane and found two large piles of yard waste and lumber materials located on village property behind houses. The piles were apparently burned today without consulting with anyone. President Shields will write a letter to all surrounding residents reminding them that dumping is not allowed.
2. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JAY CAMERON TO THE ZBA. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

CLERK:

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

1. Chairman Art Neil stated that the Zoning Board has reviewed a concept plan presented by John Regan for the property along Route 72, west of Locust.
2. West Dundee has approved the temporary retention of water for the KinderCare property but a permanent solution must be approved before this property can proceed further.
3. A Kane County representative will be meeting with village boards sometime in the future to discuss wetland conservancy for Sleepy Hollow.

ZBA:

1. Chairman John Kedzior presented again file #196 for the property at 718 Hillcrest which has requested a variance for an oversized garage. The owners presented their house plans and stated they wanted the oversized garage for storage and a workroom. The Board was concerned with the size of the garage/storage area (which exceeds the allowed percentage relative to the total square footage of the plan), the overhead lights in the garage area, and the type of windows on the side of the garage. They suggested the owners add a wall to separate the actual garage from the storage area which would reduce its size and should then meet ordinance requirements as long as the garage doesn't exceed 20% of the total footprint. The owners would then not even need a variance to proceed. Revised plans will need to be approved by the Building Department before proceeding, however.
2. The changes to the variance form and procedures can be adopted by the ZBA and do not require village board approval.

ATTORNEY:

1. The Bluffs closure is still pending. They may request that we retroactively accept the subdivision improvements to obtain a refund of a portion of the interest from their letter of credit.
2. We are attempting, but have been unsuccessful, in contacting Twin Sewer to discuss an outstanding issue in this matter.
3. The State of Illinois Finance Authority has sent us notice concerning issuance of bonds for a new mortgage program with low interest loans where in some cases the loans will actually be forgiven after a number of years. DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO OBJECT TO ANY PROGRAM OF THIS TYPE IN THIS STATE. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE. The Village Attorney will prepare a resolution to be approved at the next meeting.
4. Verlo Mattress is in violation of our sign ordinance and this matter has been discussed by the Zoning Board.

DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:20 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING THREATENED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO §2(c)11 OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

*****OPEN TO THE PUBLIC*****
(8:45 - 9:25 p.m.)

1. Steve Francois of Sharon Drive stated that because of no left turns at Sleepy Hollow Road, traffic is now turning right on 72 and then right on Sharon Drive, turning around in his driveway, and then turning left back onto Route 72 from Sharon. They have knocked down saw horses in put at the end of his driveway, driven over his grass, and he is concerned for the safety of his son when playing in the driveway and yard. The Board will install additional signs farther south on Sleepy Hollow Road to given drivers more advance warning of no left turns with the hope that they will find different routes.
2. Resident Janet Pope would like to see an area where older children could congregate and entertain themselves in a positive way and suggested a type of skating park/area where the children would supply the materials and build the wooden structures. The Park District is apparently considering the open land behind Target to construct this park. Resident Michelle Cameron also felt this would be a positive idea. The Board is favorable to some type of area for the older children/teens but did not feel that we really have any area in the Village for this except possibly behind the Village Hall, though it would need an asphalt surface. They said Mrs. Pope was welcome to present a proposal to the Board for consideration.

ENGINEER:

1. Engineer Naylor is waiting for us to advise him of the total funds available for the 1998 MFT program. President Shields asked the engineer to re-submit his MFT estimate based on linear feet to enable us to determine how much each street will cost. The cost estimates should also be reviewed with Trustee DeBolt to compare with last year's figures.
2. The Engineer has received calls from potential developers inquiring about the parcels along Route 72. President Shields said any time the Engineer spends on these matters must be billed to the developers as we have not authorized his time. Developers should be advised to direct their questions to the Building Trustee.
3. The Engineer is working with Trustee Williams concerning the correspondence from the IEPA on their water quality requirements.

TREASURER:

1. WILLIAMS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$91,324.70. AYE: WILLIAMS, DEBOLT, HARNEY, NEMEC. MOTION PASSED.
2. The Village of Sleepy Hollow is now on-line and can be located at: "<http://nsn.nslsilus.org/dukhome/voshadm/index.html>".

ROADS & PARKS:

1. The Service Club will begin the barn clean up on April 18th at 9:30 a.m.
2. The soccer fields have been reserved for the spring and falls seasons. The baseball field has also been reserved. The men's soccer club has requested use of the field on Friday nights which Trustee DeBolt will set up.
3. Trustee DeBolt has viewed the location for the proposed bike path along Boncosky Road and feels it will take considerable expense to prepare the area before a path can even be constructed.

FINANCE:

No report.

WATER:

1. President Shields received some calls from residents requesting the smaller filters for their water filter system. The residents may have received these in error as the smaller filters are in the specs for this program.

POLICE:

1. The monthly activity report was distributed.
2. Chief Montalbano noted that of the police trainees hired last year, two have passed the training, one was released, and one resigned. The Board authorized the Chief to begin the interview process for four additional part time officers.
3. Chief Montalbano answered questions about the Route 72/Sleepy Hollow Road intersection since the ban on left turns was instituted.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

No report.

BUILDING:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:45 P.M. AYE: HARNEY, DEBOLT, NEMEC, WILLIAMS. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson, Village Clerk

Released 12/20/99

EXECUTIVE MEETING
MINUTES

APRIL 6, 1998

The executive session of the Board of Trustees was convened at 8:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing threatened litigation. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees DeBolt, Harney, Nemec, and Williams; Attorney Schuster; Engineer Naylor and Clerk Olson.

1. Received a letter from an attorney representing Laurel Court resident John Bohanek who has threatened legal action concerning his water quality and water hammer problems. The history of this situation was briefly discussed which dates back many years. Installing the water main loop to correct this problem could cost as much as \$400,000. It was recalled that some years back the IEPA granted an exception of the current water line to the Bohaneks until we construct the water main loop at the time of commercial development in the area. Engineer Naylor noted that no grants were available for this project, but only low interest loans for the construction. The attorney should respond that (a) we will install the water filter system as is being done in several homes currently and explain the related program, (b) we will install some type of device that will eliminate or reduce the water hammer, and (c) explain that the loop will be constructed upon commercial development, which will solve the quality problem.

2. DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WILLIAMS TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 1998 AND FEBRUARY 2, 1998. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH NEMEC ABSTAINING.

HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:45 P.M. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk