

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

AUGUST 17, 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 Czerniawski, DeBolt, Harney, Merkel and Nemec; Police Chief Montalbano; Treasurer Panning; and Clerk Olson. Trustee Williams was absent.

MINUTES:

1. The regular minutes should be amended on page 1, under President, #2, by inserting before the last sentence: "...but that she did not authorize Steve Wiedmeyer to purchase seed. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 1998 AS AMENDED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH MERKEL ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

1. The President commented on the length of recent meetings and stated that unless all board members had previously received paperwork on a particular matter, there would be no vote allowed on the issue.
2. President Shields discussed the police employment contracts with Chief Montalbano which will be extended from one to two years concerning repayment of training costs. Part time officers will also be liable for repayment of training costs under a different proposal to be submitted at a later date.
3. West Dundee and the developers of the property at Locust and Route 72 met concerning the proposed furniture store on that corner and West Dundee has made several requests of Sleepy Hollow: that we take over maintenance of Locust from Target to Route 72 (West Dundee currently maintains); that we share the yearly maintenance cost of the traffic light at that intersection (our share would be about \$1,000); that we allow left turns from Locust into the proposed development; and that we allow right turns into Target from Locust (currently prohibited).

CLERK:

1. Due to Labor Day, the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 8, 1998.
2. Clerk received petitions for three questions to be put on the November ballot: (a) to rescind the "no left turn" at Sleepy Hollow Road and Route 72; (b) to rescind the installation of the stop signs on Joy Lane; and (c) to create a police pension fund. All questions will be certified to the county clerk.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING BOARD:

1. KinderCare is almost ready for the public hearing, which is tentatively set for September 12th at 9:30 a.m.
2. The fence ordinance is almost complete, and the public hearing should be scheduled for late September.
3. Chairman Neil attended a concept hearing in West Dundee which was presented by Pulte for the Galvin property located on the south side of Route 72, west of Sleepy Hollow Road. He reported that the plans include 420 houses to be built over the entire parcel except the wetland areas. The West Dundee board was not favorable to the plan as presented.
4. Member Denise Sommerlot attended the recent zoning seminar and obtained information concerning wireless communication and telecommunications ordinances, which our boards are currently preparing. She has brochures available for anyone interested.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

No report.

TREASURER:

1. Deduct \$60 to Vince Neil; remove the Engineering Enterprises invoice of \$5,208.00. President Shields and Trustee Czerniawski will meet with Engineering Enterprises to discuss their recent bill. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO APPROVE THE WARRANTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,665.36. AYE: CZERNIAWSKI, DEBOLT, HARNEY, MERKEL, NEMEC. MOTION PASSED.
2. Trustee Czerniawski noted that the financial statements to date show our revenues on track. We are a bit over budget in the part time police expenses, although they are offset by the lower full time expenses.
3. Treasurer Panning will be on vacation August 20 - 30th.
4. The Finance Committee meeting has been rescheduled to September 3, 1998.

8:00 P.M. A representative from M.A.D.D. (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) presented awards to the two Sleepy Hollow police officers with the highest number of DUI arrests in the village for the past year, Officer John Steinhable and Sergeant Richard Childs.

ROADS & PARKS:

1. Trustee DeBolt and Engineer Heinz reviewed the roads included in this year's MFT work.
2. We have received plans indicating the Randall Road corporate park hopes to add an additional exit lane from Joy Lane at Randall Road, with one lane designated for left turns, and the other for turning right or going straight across Randall to the corporate park area.
3. The appropriate residents have all received the letter concerning use of village property and have not complied. President Shields will personally contact these residents to request compliance before further steps are taken.

FINANCE:

1. Trustee Czerniawski said that Officer Wilson would not jeopardize the terms of our disability programs by being paid for doing work at home. However, she would prefer to receive an advance for the 15 days she would not be covered. This will be discussed further in executive session.
2. Trustee Czerniawski reviewed the budget and has determined that it would be more cost effective to hire only one new full time officer under the Copsfast grant. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM DEBOLT TO DIRECT POLICE CHIEF MONTALBANO TO HIRE ONLY ONE FULL TIME OFFICER UNDER THE COPSFAST GRANT. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.
3. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 270 ENTITLED "A RESOLUTION PROPOSING A REFERENDUM TO INCREASE THE AGGREGATE MAXIMUM LEVY FOR THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW". AYE: CZERNIAWSKI, HARNEY, DEBOLT, MERKEL, NEMEC. MOTION PASSED.

WATER:

There was no information on the status of the program to treat the water in the lower part of the Village.

POLICE:

1. The police applicants have been interviewed and taken the physical tests, and a total of 19 applicants will continue on and take the written exam.
2. The monthly activity report was submitted.

3. President Shields asked if there had been any "incidents" at the apartments since none were listed on Officer Nelson's monthly report to the Board. There have not been any incidents recently and the resident officer program is scheduled to stop at the end of this month.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

1. Our engineer has recommended that we continue using our current supplier, Bihler Tech, for our lift stations and grinder pumps. NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM HARNEY THAT WE FOREGO THE BIDDING PROCESS ON THE SEWER TANKS FOR THE NEW HOMES AND PURCHASE THEM FROM BIHLER TECH FOR \$4,722.00 AND ALSO PURCHASE THE GRINDER PUMPS FROM BIHLER TECH THROUGH MARCH 1, 2000, AS PER HIS BID. AYE: NEMEC, HARNEY, CZERNIAWSKI, DEBOLT, MERKEL. MOTION PASSED.

BUILDING:

1. An ordinance adopting the current BOCA code as part of our building code will be presented at the next meeting when Joel Kruse will be here to discuss this matter in more detail.
2. Our engineers will be looking at the Roehrig property for possible drainage problems since there has been a bobcat grading the property despite the stop work order.
3. The Municipal Legislative Committee will be going to Springfield soon to lobby on several issues.
4. The ranch house under construction on Hilltop has not been worked on recently and the weeds are growing quite high. Board briefly discussed how to handle these types of problems and force completion of construction.

*****OPEN TO THE PUBLIC*****
(8:30 - 9:35 p.m.)

1. Jim Podbregar discussed the excess fill on his property that we have required he remove. He wanted to discuss it with our new engineers, and was told he could do so at his expense. Mr. Podbregar will contact the Dept. of Water Resources and FEMA to see if they find his excess fill acceptable and will not hold the Village responsible for compensatory storage. A letter from FEMA under these terms would be required for the Board to consider acceptance of his property with the excess fill.
2. Ken Cross of 171 Hilltop Court asked that the Board keep the stop signs installed at Hilltop Lane and Hilltop Court and stated that these signs have greatly improved the safety of that area.
3. Don Dvorcek of 610 Joy Lane agreed that speeding is a problem on Joy Lane but feels that police should enforce the speed limit rather than install additional stop signs. He and his wife said many people ignore the signs. The decision of whether to keep these signs on Joy Lane will be made after November 1st. President Shields encouraged residents of that area to express their opinion of the effectiveness of these stop signs at that time.
4. Phyllis Runge asked if the Board had received the resident petitions to put questions on the ballot. She was told these were presented earlier in the meeting.
5. Don Rage of Jill Peak believes that stop signs cannot be installed to slow down traffic and can be installed only if studies warrant them. Clerk will contact village attorney on the legality of our recently installed stop signs. Mr. Rage showed an old map he had and asked if we had a current map of the "green" areas in the village. He also asked if the village had an plans to celebrate the 40th anniversary of its incorporation and said resident Betsy Little was willing to work on this if the Village was interested. He also asked if the village had purchased all the land previously owned by the Sleepy Hollow water company many years ago, in particular the open land behind Hilltop Lane, north of Joy Lane. This would need to be checked through the parcel number. Don Rage also noted that the county hires the number of police officers paid for under any grants and when the grant time expires, those officers are not kept on (referring to our Copsfast grant).

6. Barbara Walters of Hillcrest asked about the Lake Sharon clean up. Another resident of the Lake Sharon area will be making a presentation to the Board on this clean up project at a later date. She also asked about road and swale improvements to Rainbow, Sharon, and the west end of Hillcrest and was informed that these roads would be improved when there is commercial development of the Locust/Route 72 parcels and the water main loop is installed. Mrs. Walters also felt West Dundee's request of a right turn into Target from Locust (under President's report) should be given to our residents for their input. The original decision for no right turn and the Target development were briefly discussed.

7. Kelly Thomas of Jill Peak Drive asked who was responsible for maintenance of the village area behind that court. It has been cleaned by some residents but others are dumping in the area. The maintenance of these village areas was discussed and it was agreed we need to set up some type of village policy on this issue.

8. A Willow Lane resident said residents have been cutting the village land behind him since he moved here in 1974 for aesthetic reasons and feels we need to work out an agreeable maintenance program whereby residents can cut the open areas to help the village with maintenance.

9. Jay and Michelle Cameron also commented on the mowing behind Willow Lane, and equipment that has been installed on village property by residents.

MERKEL MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:35 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL PURSUANT TO §2(C)(1) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

The regular meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Trustee Czerniawski noted that one of the homes on Hilltop Court has set up a "fire pit" type of area on Village property in the cul de sac area.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. HARNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM MERKEL TO PAY THE COST FOR UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE ZBA, ZONING BOARD, AND PLAN COMMISSION TO ATTEND THE CONSERVATION DESIGN FOR COMMUNITIES SEMINAR TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 18TH AT VILLA OLIVIA, AT A COST OF \$40 PER PERSON, NOT TO EXCEED SIX PEOPLE. AYE: HARNEY, MERKEL, CZERNIAWSKI, DEBOLT, NEMEC. MOTION PASSED.

2. Discussed the Galvin property and proposed development by Pulte. Trustee Harney would like to evaluate the stream for water quality and amount of flow. Board questioned if this land could be purchased by the Park District to maintain as open space.

DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:55 P.M. AYE: DEBOLT, NEMEC, CZERNIAWSKI, HARNEY, MERKEL. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk

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EXECUTIVE MEETING
MINUTES

AUGUST 17, 1998

The executive session of the Board of Trustees was convened at 9:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. In attendance were President Shields; Trustees Czerniawski, DeBolt, Harney, Merkel and Nemec, Deputy Clerk Sommerlot; and Clerk Olson.

1. Discussed Officer Susan Wilson's 15 days which are not covered by insurance, sick pay, or vacation pay. Last meeting, the Board had decided to have her work at home and get paid for that police work. However, Chief Montalbano is concerned with creating a new position under the Americans with Disabilities rules and possibly set a precedent for future sick/injured officers. Officer Wilson would prefer to receive a three week advance of her pay, rather than work at home and be paid. She will then pay back the advance and the repayment terms will be worked out with the Chief and Trustee Merkel.

2. Reviewed executive minutes for approval. DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM CZERNIAWSKI TO ACCEPT THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 6, 1998. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH NEMEC ABSTAINING.

NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM CZERNIAWSKI TO ACCEPT THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 20, 1998. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ACCEPT THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 1998. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

DEBOLT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:45 P.M. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk