

REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES

JULY 5, 1999

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, Merkel, Morris, Nemec, Pickett and Rzonca; Police Chief Montalbano; Treasurer Panning; Engineer Heinz; and Clerk Olson.

MINUTES:

1. NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 1999 AS SUBMITTED. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH CZERNIAWSKI ABSTAINING.

PRESIDENT:

No report.

CLERK:

1. MERKEL MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 279 ENTITLED "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR A TWO(2) ACRE PARCEL ADJACENT TO THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN STABLES". AYE: MERKEL, PICKETT, CZERNIAWSKI, MORRIS, NEMEC, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED.

PLAN COMMISSION:

Chairman Merkel said members of the Plan Commission met with officials from Kane County and the Conservation Design Forum concerning the wetlands map.

ZONING BOARD:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

1. We are waiting for approval from IDOT for the MFT road program.
2. The engineer distributed a report on the study of site distances at the intersection of Route 72 and Sleepy Hollow Road.
3. President Shields asked the engineer to submit a cost estimate for the items they previously discussed which are not part of the MFT program. This should be prepared and discussed prior to the next meeting.

TREASURER:

1. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PICKETT TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR JULY 2, 1999 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,692.25. AYE: CZERNIAWSKI, PICKETT, MERKEL, MORRIS, NEMEC, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED.
2. Trustee Czerniawski noted that the new budget includes an annuity for the police chief. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO APPROVE THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000 BEGINNING MAY 1, 1999 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2000. AYE: CZERNIAWSKI, NEMEC, MERKEL, MORRIS, PICKETT, RZONCA. MOTION PASSED.

3. The appropriation ordinance will be passed at the next meeting, after a public hearing at 7:15 p.m.
4. The audit is complete. The Finance Committee recommended we go out to bid for auditors for another three year period.

ROADS & PARKS:

1. The village siding is complete.

FINANCE:

1. Requested an executive session for personnel.
2. Ellen Volkening has updated the personnel policy manual. Each employee will receive this updated manual. CZERNIAWSKI MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE PERSONNEL MANUAL AND TO DISTRIBUTE IT TO ALL EMPLOYEES AND HAVE ALL SIGN FOR RECEIPT OF THE MANUAL. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.
3. The independent contractor agreements are still not approved. Trustee Morris' main concern is that all references to employee are changed to independent contractor. Other minor concerns of Trustees Morris and Rzonca should be directed to the Village Attorney.

WATER:

1. There has been no word from the Village Attorney on whether he has contacted Elgin concerning our sale to them of the water meter on Randall Road.
2. There are no results yet on the recent water testing. Flushing in lower Sleepy Hollow continues on a regular basis and appears to be helping.
3. Received cost estimates on replacing water mains in the village. This will be discussed with the Engineer and a report made to the Board later.

POLICE:

1. Police interviews started last week and will conclude this week.
2. The Police Committee is short one member who will be appointed by President Shields.

HEALTH & SANITATION:

1. Trustee Merkel is working with Treasurer Panning on bids for trash pickup as our contract expires December 31<sup>st</sup>.

BUILDING:

1. Several addresses on south Locust and Acorn are the same which has caused confusion. The post office is willing change the numbers of those on Locust. We will talk to all affected residents prior to any change.

NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM MERKEL TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO PUT "OLD BUSINESS" AFTER "NEW BUSINESS". MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE WITH CZERNIAWSKI VOTING NO.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Residents Robert DeBolt of Crane Drive, Cindy Romano of Hilltop Lane, Mona Auer of Sleepy Hollow Road, Kerry Tonge of Sleepy Hollow Road, Gladys Boe of Hilltop Court, and Sal Eraci of Thorobred Lane all spoke out against rescinding the left turn ban at the intersection of Sleepy Hollow Road and Route 72, citing mainly safety concerns at the intersection and traffic reduction on Sleepy Hollow Road. Mrs. Tonge also asked if the Board can preserve Sleepy Hollow Road and if we will deny access to the road if Pulte develops. President Shields responded that he is working with Kane County to include Sleepy Hollow Road on a rustic road preservation program. He also stated the Board would decide whether any Pulte development was granted a

curb cut. President Shields asked if the Board wished to open the floor to other residents in attendance who were not on the agenda. MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ONE ISSUE, GIVEN ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE COMMUNITY, TO ALLOW RESIDENTS TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS. Suspending the rules would require a 2/3 vote. AYE: MORRIS, RZONCA, PICKETT. NAY: CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, NEMEC. MOTION DID NOT PASS.

OLD BUSINESS:

MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO POSTPONE THE MOTION ON THE LEFT TURN BAN UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING AT WHICH TIME THE PUBLIC MAY SPEAK ON THIS ISSUE. AYE: MORRIS, NEMEC, RZONCA. NAY: CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, PICKETT, SHIELDS. MOTION DID NOT PASS.

Trustee Pickett read the motion postponed on June 7<sup>th</sup>: "PICKETT MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM RZONCA TO REVISIT THE LEFT TURN BAN AT SLEEPY HOLLOW ROAD AND ROUTE 72 AND RESCIND THE BAN UNTIL WE CAN OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION AND EVALUATION FROM THE VILLAGE AND COUNTY ON THE SAFETY OF THAT INTERSECTION". Engineer Heinz explained the report on sight distances at the intersection which indicate that distances to both the east and west are less than the required standards for the posted speed limits. Board questioned Chief Montalbano about the accident statistics for that intersections. Kane County Board Rep. Don Rage spoke about the intersection and traffic count results from the county and does not feel the intersection is unsafe. Trustee Merkel stated he wished to maintain the ban. Some trustees are willing to reconsider the ban when the intersection is safer and would like to continue studies on the intersection. AYE: PICKETT. NAY: RZONCA, CZERNIAWSKI, MERKEL, MORRIS, NEMEC. MOTION DID NOT PASS.

NEMEC MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM MERKEL TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 PM. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL AND EXECUTIVE MINUTES PURSUANT TO §§2(C)(1) AND (2)(C)(21) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

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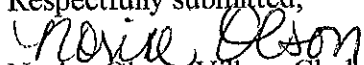
The regular meeting resumed at 9:15 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clerk will not be at next meeting. Trustees were asked to give copies of correspondence and other documents from their departments to the clerk to keep with the village files. Village files should not be removed from the Village Hall; if taken out of file cabinets, please leave on Clerk's desk for re-filing.
2. Trustee Rzonca received a draft firearms ordinance from the Village Attorney. Any comments should be given to the Village Attorney. Trustee Rzonca will also discuss this ordinance with someone from ATF. Trustee Rzonca reported that contrary to that which he reported in the Legend, the licensed retail sale of firearms from motorized vehicles is prohibited by the ATF.
3. Trustee Morris noted that kids have set up elaborate courses for paint ball games on the village property behind Willow Lane. We should review the deed restrictions for this property. Some trustees may view this area. Cleaning up the area would be an extensive amount of work for Public Works. Board discussed the status of the village open space areas. It was noted that the decision of how to maintain the village open areas has not yet been resolved.

MORRIS MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM NEMEC TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:40 P.M. MOTION PASSED BY VOICE VOTE.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Norine Olson, Village Clerk