

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Ander, Finney, Getz, Grom, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, Village Engineer Heinz, and Clerk Olson. Trustee Wind was absent.

President Pickett explained the rules for speaking under the public comments section of the meeting.

MINUTES:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ANDER TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2004. The minutes should be amended on page 1, #1 under clerk, "wiring" should be "fence"; and on page 3, #1 under Old Business, "grant money" should be "grant/violation money". MOTION PASSED.

PRESIDENT:

1. The Bluffs requested permission to hold their annual block party on August 22nd with the same parameters as in previous years. The Board had no objections.

2. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF JEFF SEILER, LAURA RICE AND JIM HENDRICKS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. MOTION PASSED.

3. The cable commission reviewed the audit proposals received and picked one firm. This company is to report back to the commission with firm quotes on the cost for each municipality to participate in the audit. The estimated share for Sleepy Hollow is \$1300-\$1700. It is not certain that the results of an audit would justify the cost.

CLERK:

1. We received one bid from the re-bidding of the squad car. ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ACCEPT THE BID OF CHICAGO MOTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$807.00. MOTION PASSED.

PLAN COMMISSION:

1. Chairman Hendricks said the commission does not have any pending projects at this time and intend to look at the comprehensive plan in the near future. It was noted that the property on Route 72 adjacent to the Spring Hill Meadows development has been sold but they have not approached the Village with plans for the parcel yet, although they wish to re-zone the property.

ZONING COMMISSION:

1. Chairman Neil noted the special meeting on July 27th to review of the draft P.U.D. ordinance with the Village Board and Plan Commission and planner Paul Bednar.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

No report.

ENGINEER:

1. The Board discussed the proposed 2004 street program at a cost \$215,801.32 which includes the engineering fees. This is the engineer's estimate and bids could come in lower and/or higher. ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO AUTHORIZE THE VILLAGE ENGINEER TO GO OUT TO BID ON THE MFT ROAD PROGRAM AS PROPOSED. AYE: ANDER, ZIEMBA, FINNEY, GETZ, GROM. MOTION PASSED.
2. Bridge post caps can be located at "islandpostcap.com". The bridge on Sleepy Hollow Road would use slip over post caps, 4 x 6 nominals.
3. The engineers are working on the water improvement program and reviewing the Spring Hill Meadows development documents.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GROM TO APPROVE THE JULY 19, 2004 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,079.10. AYE: ZIEMBA, GROM, ANDER, FINNEY, GETZ. MOTION PASSED.
2. The auditors start field work at the Village Hall next week.
3. There is a Finance Committee meeting on Thursday at 8 a.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

1. Robert Shields of Darien Lane expressed concern about the safety of the entry to a pool on Jamestowne (Village will review the pool). Regarding the County's proposal presented at the last meeting concerning flooding in the village, Mr. Shields explained the remedial culvert work done by Heinz Engineers after the flooding occurred in 1999 and questioned the need for this project since there has been no flooding since then. (The Engineer will review this project and report back to the Board.) Mr. Shields opposes any increase in vehicle stickers unless the Village has determined the funds cannot be obtained through other means in the budget.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

No report.

FINANCE:

1. The two month financial statements are comparable to last year at this time.
2. Trustee Ziemba distributed an analysis of the 2005 police budget versus department hours worked. Trustee Grom will review this with the Police Chief and report back to the board. Trustee Finney noted that an analysis should also be done on all other departments and employees, not just the police.

WATER & SEWER:

Trustee Getz and the Village Engineer are meeting with the two residents who have not signed easements to enable the Village to improve the water system in the Hemlock and Maple areas.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. GROM MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE A CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT STATUS FOR DAVID NELSON FROM PART TO FULL TIME, AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$33,158 WITH FULL BENEFITS, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2004. MOTION PASSED.

Green Communities: (1) The first step in the preliminary design work for the demonstration project at the Village Hall is a structural analysis of the driveway bridge/culvert to determine whether the bridge is sound. This is not part of Watershed Resource Consultants' project and we must obtain cost estimates from engineers to review the structure. The Board expressed concern that the Village could be required to replace the bridge if it is determined unsound and the cost to the Village to do so. Trustee Grom will obtain quotes to analyze the bridge and the Board will discuss further. (2) The Rotary Club will review Saddle Club Park on Friday concerning their project in the park.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

No report.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. The driveway on south Sleepy Hollow Road that has washed out during recent rains is being reconstructed.
2. The house on Sleepy Hollow Road that requested access for a second driveway has not done any further work on the construction project.
3. Trustee Finney has asked the Village Attorney for a synopsis of current zoning ordinances as they relate to trees on vacant property.
4. The homeowners with the skateboard ramp have filed a variance application with the ZBA. They have agreed to limit the hours of use for the skateboard ramp.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. There is no update on the country flood study.
2. The issue of increased vehicle stickers is on indefinite hold.
3. Elgin boundary agreement. President Pickett will schedule a meeting with Strategy Planning Associates regarding a fiscal impact study for the Village that can be done on a hourly basis or \$5,000 flat fee. Elgin has not responded to our Village Attorney's letter on the boundary agreement violations.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:03 P.M.
MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk