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, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, Police Chief Montalbano, Finance Director Volkening, Village Attorney Schuster, Village Engineer Weiss, and Clerk Olson.

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

MINUTES:

1. <u>ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2005.</u> On page 1, under minutes, the names should be inserted in the motion; and on page 2, under the National Waterworks report, it should be noted that the free analysis will be done for the Village. <u>MOTION PASSED.</u>

PRESIDENT:

1. The ordinance authorizing the cable TV contract extension was deferred as the cable consortium is meeting this week to discuss a proposed contract.

CLERK:

- 1. <u>WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE NICOR GAS PERMITS,</u> W.O. #s 158861 AND 158862. <u>MOTION PASSED</u>. Both are for the Spring Hill Meadows subdivision.
- 2. Life Line Screening has asked the Village to host a public screening for medical tests. There is a fee for each test. The Board asked that we obtain more information from Life Line.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

1. Chairman Neil advised that there will be a public hearing on November 9th on garage sale and open house signage. Another hearing will be held November 30th on the issue of the Dundee Township property to be annexed.

ZBA:

No report.

ATTORNEY:

- 1. Mr. Schuster explained the Village's option to request an extension of time to pay the PrimeCo settlement of over \$13,000. The Board reviewed the resolution and the fifth "Whereas" will be removed. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 344 ENTITLED "A RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADDITIONAL TIME TO MAKE PAYMENT TO WIRELESS CLASS SETTLEMENT FUND." The Village's share of attorney's fees has already been paid. MOTION PASSED.
- 2. A proposed ordinance was presented that would amend zoning regulations concerning variations and the language of "practical confiscation of property". Mr. Schuster reviewed his memo on the origins of this language and the granting of variances based on hardship. "Practical confiscation of property" is not in the Illinois statutes as a standard to grant a variance. Trustee Ander did not feel the Village's original zoning regulations should be changed and that the ZBA should continue to operate under the original ordinance. Trustee Finney expressed concern that residents not be required to meet impossible standards to obtain a variance. It was the consensus of

the Board to eliminate the "practical confiscation" phrase and incorporate certain language from the memo into revised zoning regulations. This proposal must be reviewed by the Zoning Board and a public hearing held. FINNEY MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO SEND THE PROPOSED REVISED LANGUAGE TO THE ZONING BOARD FOR THEIR REVIEW. MOTION PASSED WITH ANDER VOTING NAY. Mr. Schuster will obtain copies of three cases referred to in his memo for the board members.

ENGINEER:

- 1. Neri Brothers submitted a final pay estimate of \$3,948.29 for the 2004 water system improvements. There was some discussion on the quality of the restoration after completion of the project. The engineers recommend final payment and the request is in the accounts payable for tonight's approval.
- 2. Curran Contracting has submitted a partial pay estimate of \$155,455.77 for the 2004 street improvements. The Board discussed the stone shoulders added after the paving, which extend from the edge of the pavement and then, in many cases, drop off at a steep angle. The stone shoulders are part of the IDOT specifications. The Board and engineer discussed possible modifications to the shoulder design in the future or possibly using a different stone to avoid this problem. (Trustee Ziemba arrived at 8:20 p.m.)

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ANDER TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 7, 2005 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$318,586.72. AYE: ZIEMBA, ANDER, FINNEY, GETZ, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

- 1. Swale work on Stevens Court will start within a couple weeks.
- 2. Trustee Wind, Art Sunderlage and Engineer Weiss reviewed the swale/drainage/cattails problems at Belmont and Saratoga. Burning the cattails was planned, but would require IEPA approval; simply cutting the cattails would be much quicker. They should also be herbicided next spring to prevent new growth. The drainage in that area is very slow and there appears to be blockage as well as there is frequently standing water in the culvert. Some re-grading next spring will probably be necessary and helpful.

FINANCE:

- 1. Trustee Ziemba discussed the special service area in Spring Hill Meadows for storm water maintenance and suggested we start levying taxes now in order to have a fund available should the need arise. Attorney Schuster suggested we could wait a year for the pond to be established and tenants to move in so that more funds could be levied. He also explained the process for collecting and maintaining the fund. The Finance Committee will review this matter at their meeting later this month and then make their recommendation to the Board.
- 2. A resident has applied to be a member of the Finance Committee.

WATER & SEWER:

No report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

- 1. The Halloween bonfire and trick or treating went well and there were no problems.
- 2. We received another thank you from Carpentersville Police Dept. for recent assistance.

- 3. A police candidate was presented to the Board. PRIGGE MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE THE HIRE OF RON MALLOY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 7, 2005 AT \$11/HOUR. MOTION PASSED.
 - 4. The Board discussed a recent problem with a resident burglar alarm going off several times—all were false alarms, but necessitated police response. It was suggested we consider an ordinance allowing fines against any resident with repeated false burglar alarms who does not fix the problem. Chief Montalbano will give the Board a draft ordinance.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

No report.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. The house under construction in the Bluffs has been demolished.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Maintenance of the newly mowed path to the Township property should be discussed with Public Works. President Pickett will obtain information on the grants available for permanent completion of path, but it is believed applications are due July 1, 2006. The Service Club may consider the bridge repairs on this path as a possible project for the club.
- 2. Mr. Schuster was asked for any notes/minutes on the recent field investigation with the Michalski developers. President Pickett noted that they have withdrawn their application for the property. Their \$5,000 deposit will be used to pay some outstanding bills to the Village, but they will still have a balance.
- 3. The landscaping is going in at Spring Hill Meadows. The engineers will ensure that the correct sizes and quantities are installed on the property.
- 4. The "porkchop" at the Locust entrance to Target has been removed.
- 5. The developer of the Bright property has had discussions with Elgin regarding connection to their sewer system. This development will be discussed at the Plan Commission meeting next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Dundee Township has sent a letter requesting money for pool repairs which will be reviewed by the Finance Committee.

ANDER MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:58 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

Norine Olson

Village Clerk