

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 15, 2008

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

MINUTES:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 1, 2008. The minutes should be corrected on page 1 under the report on the new building ordinance that in addition to the permit fees increase, there will be a 5% administrative fee for the Village added to each permit fee, and under Parks & Roads, the word "quality" should be changed to "qualify". MOTION PASSED.

PRESIDENT:

1. The legislature is attempting to redirect a percentage of funds for the municipalities to the state instead. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 388, "A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO SB3077 AND THE AMENDMENT TO SB2083, CREATING THE EMERGENCY BUDGET ACT OF FISCAL YEAR 2009, WHICH PROPOSE TO DIVERT MUNICIPAL REVENUES FOR STATE USE." MOTION PASSED.

2. The Village would like to apply for grant funds to make the ADA modifications to Sabatino Park, but the application is due January 9, 2009. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 389, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT OF FUNDS THROUGH THE KANE COUNTY RIVERBOAT GRANT PROGRAM." MOTION PASSED.

3. Elgin Community College is requesting a letter of commitment from all villages within the college district boundary to support them in their attempts to obtain a grant. They are asking the Village to commit financial or in-kind resources to the college. The Board agreed to offer the use of Village facilities for a meeting and the services of office personnel for a limited number of hours of work at the Village Hall.

4. There will be a breakfast on Saturday morning for Shop with a Cop at the Fox Valley Baptist Church in East Dundee.

CLERK:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 390, "A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING DATES OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2009". MOTION PASSED.

2. A Comcast permit was previously approved by President Pickett while they were doing work on Acorn Drive on December 5th. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO RATIFY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL OF COMCAST PER APPLICATION NO. PSH-4713. MOTION PASSED.

PLAN COMMISSION:

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION:

No report.

ZBA:

No report.

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ATTORNEY:

1. It is necessary to make additional modifications to the building regulations ordinance before it can be presented for approval. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO TABLE THE APPROVAL OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE NEXT MEETING. MOTION PASSED.

ENGINEER:

1. The projects update report was reviewed. President Pickett met with the Engineer and Mrs. Brar last week on their project. The Brars plan to attend the January meeting of the Plan Commission for approval of their plan, which would then be submitted to the Village Board. Upon approval, the Brars will then purchase the property from the owners. The SSA would then be prepared for the Brars.

2. Trustee Prigge has not yet received any cost information on pilings for the Lake Sharon dam repair. The Environmental Committee recommends we obtain quotes from landscape and pond developers to be presented to the Army Corps for approval. This alternate proposal would be less expensive than the pilings.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OF DECEMBER 15, 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$126,564.55. AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

2. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 391, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ACCOUNT AT NATIONAL CITY BANK. MOTION PASSED.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

Ellie MacKinney and Sarah Evans were present on behalf of Elgin Community College, which is celebrating its 60th anniversary. The college is requesting input on improving and updating the facilities and programs to meet the needs of the community for the future. A packet of information was given to each board member.

PARKS, ROADS & STREETS:

1. The village landscaping service bids were reviewed. Trustee Wind noted that creeping charlie has taken over Sabatino Park and asked that we obtain a quote to treat this problem. GETZ MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM WK LANDSCAPE SERVICES OF \$15,956 FOR 2009, \$16,252 FOR 2010, AND \$16,548 FOR 2011. Trustee Finney asked about mowing an area of Village owned green space behind several homes in the Gail Lane area. It was suggested he obtain the acreage of the area and the Village can obtain a quote from WK to add this to the mowing program. There may be a problem with access to the area by WK. AYE: GETZ, ZIEMBA, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

2. The Village received a delivery of salt for the roads. Trustee Prigge said the Environmental Committee suggested the Village look at alternatives to using salt on the roads and will give the information on possible alternatives to Trustee Getz to review.

FINANCE:

1. The annual tax levy ordinance was presented. ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM GETZ TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2008-19 ENTITLED "TAX LEVY ORDINANCE." AYE: ZIEMBA, GETZ, FINNEY, FUDALA, PRIGGE, WIND. MOTION PASSED.

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2. Trustee Ziemba distributed the seven month financial statements and briefly reviewed them. The major concern remains the water loss. We have received one quote of \$105 per mile to check for leaks and are waiting for additional quotes. Ellen Volkening updated the Board on the water readings since the new meters were installed. The new system is working well. The last Village reading only missed 4 homes.

WATER & SEWER:

No report.

POLICE & PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ENVIRONMENTAL:

1. The cinder block and satellite dish on Joy Lane should be removed when the AT&T work is completed sometime in January.
2. There was a newspaper article in the Courier concerning the dead tree on Sleepy Hollow Road. Reps from Nicor, including an arborist, have reviewed the area and we are waiting for their response.
3. Trustee Prigge briefly reviewed the topics discussed at the recent Environmental Committee meeting: they hope to sell rain barrels at the spring tree sale; they do not yet have quotes for tree pricing; the Village is applying for the "growth" award with Tree City USA; saplings will be distributed only to the kindergarten classes at Sleepy Hollow elementary this year for Arbor Day; the Village burning signs need clarification on when leaf burning is allowed--the Board briefly discussed a complete ban of leaf burning at some time in the future and what alternate options could be available to residents at that time--Trustee Finney asked about the possibility and cost of leaf pick up off the streets; (Trustee Getz left at 8:37 pm) deer control is still being researched by members of the Committee; the Sleepy Hollow Road annual clean up will be scheduled earlier in the spring than in the past; there is no progress on the Village path so the Committee would like to obtain a quote to mow the path regularly and also obtain quotes for a limestone path and budget for it; the bridge work may be a good project for the eagle scout (Trustee Getz was to follow up with the scout); it was suggested that some classes at Sleepy Hollow Elementary "adopt" a tree by planting and nurturing a sapling.

BUILDING & ZONING ENFORCEMENT:

1. There was a brief review of the increase in permit fees, which will cover the cost of ICCI's services. The new 5% fee added to each permit will go directly to the Village for administrative costs. In reviewing the budget since the departure of the building inspector, the Village has saved approximately \$17,000 from that salary. Ordinance enforcement is currently done by ICCI on a case by case basis, at their hourly rate of \$100. A full Village review may start next year, reviewing a small section of the Village at a time.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

No report.

WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:55 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING EXECUTIVE MINUTES PURSUANT TO SECTION 2(C)(21) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT. MOTION PASSED.

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The regular meeting resumed at 9:03 p.m.

WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO RELEASE TO THE PUBLIC THE FOLLOWING
EXECUTIVE MINUTES: DECEMBER 17, 2007 (PARAGRAPHS 1-5 ONLY), AND JUNE 16, 2008.
MOTION PASSED.

WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM PRIGGE TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:04 P.M.
MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Norine Olson".

Norine Olson
Village Clerk

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EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

Released
12-21-09

DECEMBER 15, 2008

The executive session of the Sleepy Hollow Board of Trustees was convened at 8:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing executive minutes pursuant to §2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act. In attendance were President Pickett, Trustees Finney, Fudala, Prigge, Wind, and Ziemba, and Clerk Olson. Trustee Getz was absent.

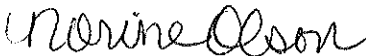
The purpose of the session was to approve executive minutes and review the release of executive minutes to the public.

1. WIND MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM ZIEMBA TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2008. MOTION PASSED.

2. The Board reviewed the December 10, 2008 memo from the clerk regarding the possible release of minutes (or portions) to the public from meetings on 6/2/03, 6/16/03, 7/21/03, 12/17/07, and 6/16/08. The Board agreed the following minutes could be released: December 17, 2007 (paragraph 1-5 only) and June 16, 2008. They would like the opinion of Mark Schuster on the other minutes relating to former police employee Richard Childs.

ZIEMBA MOVED WITH A SECOND FROM WIND TO ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:03 P.M. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk