

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 3, 2011

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:33 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall. Board members in attendance were President Stephen Pickett, Trustees Dennis Fudala, Joseph Nemec, Jeff Seiler, and Donald Ziemba. Trustees Scott Finney and Russell Getz were absent. Also in attendance were Village Attorney Mark Schuster, Village Engineer Mark Reimers, and Finance Director Ellen Volkening.

MINUTES

1. Nemec moved with a second from Fudala to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2011. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT

No report.

CLERK

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

There is a public hearing on October 19, 2011.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

No report.

ENGINEER

1. No bids were received for the Jamestowne swale regrading project. The Board and Engineer discussed options for completing this work. Four contractors initially expressed interest. The project could be added to the spring MFT project, but would need to be done early to avoid spring rains. The Board discussed pros and cons of doing the work now or in the spring. If the Board wishes to do the project yet this fall, it could be broken into smaller sections, under \$20,000 each, which would not require a bid, but MFT funds could still be used. For a project this size (\$43,000 estimated), IDOT qualification of the contractor is not required. It was suggested the project be broken into thirds, but all must be done as soon as possible. (Ziemba arrived at 7:47 p.m.) The Board directed the engineer to speak with all contractors about doing the project now, with completion by the end of the month.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Seiler to approve the accounts payable of October 3, 2011 in the amount of \$62,168.67. Aye: Ziemba, Seiler, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.

2. Ziemba moved with a second from Nemec to approve Resolution No. 427 authorizing the Village to open an account at U.S. Bank. Aye: Ziemba, Nemec, Fudala, Seiler. Motion passed.

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3. Ziembra moved with a second from Fudala to approve Resolution No. 428 authorizing the Village to open an account at First American Bank. Aye: Ziembra, Fudala, Nemec, Seiler. Motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Walter Heffron of Van Tassel read a statement concerning the safety hazard in allowing brick mailboxes in the Village and noted statements in the postal service manual regarding these mailboxes.

Brian Harrington of 3 Dimension Construction distributed rough drawings of a proposal for the old Homelife/Sears building at Route 72 and Locust. The plan includes using the building for a small retail area and self storage. In addition, self storage units would be constructed in the front and east side parking areas of the building. Brick walls and landscaping would surround the storage lockers and shield the lockers from passersby. He detailed the proposal for the Board which would include approximately 500 storage units. The Village engineer expressed some concern on how this development could affect the drainage to the south. Mr. Harrington stated that he constructed another self storage facility in Algonquin. A public hearing and special use permit would be necessary. Mr. Harrington estimated sales of \$70-140,000 per year. Before investing further money into this project, Mr. Harrington wanted to know if the Board would consider approval of this project. The consensus of the Board was that this was not the best use for optimum sales tax benefit to the Village nor was the Board happy with the aesthetics of this proposal.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

No report.

FINANCE

No report.

WATER AND SEWER

1. The Board and Village Engineer reviewed the DCEO \$200,000 grant application. Since the cost for the water main replacements for the entire length of Beau Brummel is estimated to cost over \$400,000, the grant will be submitted for one-half of the project. The project would not start until next year. The Engineer generally discussed the work involved in this project. Seiler moved with a second from Ziembra to include the east half of Beau Brummel in the grant application. Motion passed unanimously.
2. The water efficiency was at 93% last month and sewer usage looks good.
3. Trustee Seiler has only 106 Thorobred and 733-735 Jamestowne where culvert repair work will be done. Trustee Nemec noted that there may be a culvert drainage problem across from the Thorobred location that could be reviewed also. Trustee Seiler will contact the same company that did the repairs last month who charges \$2100/day and he will sign the work order authorization.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

No report.

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. There is an Environmental Committee next Monday.
2. Two mountain ash trees were donated to the Village in memory of the parents of a resident. They were planted on Stevens Court. Trustee Nemec thought these trees could be included in the Tree City annual requirements for the Village.
3. Waste Management sent flyers to residents soliciting service contracts. President Pickett called Waste Management and advised them that the Village had a municipal contract.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Trustee Ziemba is reviewing all attorney and engineer invoices for the past several years to summarize how the money is spent on these services.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 3 Vines Cafe would like to add a walk-in cooler to the east side of the building that would be accessible only from the inside through the kitchen area. There was a question if there would be any set back issue. A building permit would be required. The Board had no objection to this expansion.

Ziemba moved with a second from Fudala to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk