

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 20, 2012

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall. Board members in attendance were President Stephen Pickett, Trustees Scott Finney, Dennis Fudala, Russell Getz, Joseph Nemec, and Jeff Seiler. Trustee Donald Ziemba was absent. Also in attendance were Acting Police Chief Susan Wilson and Finance Director Ellen Volkening.

MINUTES

1. Nemec moved with a second from Finney to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of August 6, 2012. Motion passed with Getz abstaining.

PRESIDENT

No report.

CLERK

1. Finney moved with a second from Nemec to appoint Acting Police Chief Susan Wilson as police FOIA officer. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Resident Karen Kruger, who is taking over preparation of the newsletter, submitted a proposal for a new format and was present to give details and answer questions. The newsletter will now be quarterly and will include more ads to cover the cost. She would also like to offer residents the option of receiving the newsletter electronically. Nemec moved with a second from Seiler to go with the black and white newsletter with a color cover and all pages full bleed. Motion passed unanimously. The Board prefers that publications coincide with the calendar year to ensure mailing shortly before the main Service Club events.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

No report.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

No report.

ENGINEER

1. The new water mains on Beau Brummel passed the pressure test, and chlorination testing was to start today and last for three days.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve the accounts payable of August 20, 2012 in the amount of \$137,246.46. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed.

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Mark and Cris Nilson of Glen Oak Drive expressed concern over restoration of the area after a recent water main break at Glen Oak and Surrey Lane. They said there was no clean up of the prior break there either. President Pickett noted that Public Works usually lets the area settle for several weeks after repairs before they start restoration. Trustee Nemec said there may be village assistance if the homeowners water after the area is restored with grass.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

No report.

FINANCE

1. There is a Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday.
2. President Pickett informed the board that our insurance rep, Mr. Moss, will be meeting with employees to present three new insurance options.

WATER AND SEWER

1. The sewer increase from West Dundee is more than expected, according to the recent bill received. This increase will be clarified with West Dundee to make sure it is correct.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Finney moved with a second from Seiler to approve Ordinance No. 2012-8 entitled "An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale/Disposal of Certain Property Owned by the Village." Aye: Finney, Seiler, Fudala, Getz, Nemec. Motion passed. This is for the sale of the 2007 Ford Crown Victoria. We will solicit bids from the usual companies and also advertise on Craigslist.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Trustee Nemec said Public Works is borrowing a used chipper for sale for \$8,500. Public Works feels there is enough work in the village to justify the purchase. It could be purchased with funds that were budgeted for the cold storage building or the building generator. Apparently, a separate generator and electric work would be necessary for public works to ensure fuel for the vehicles was available. It was the consensus that the chipper and generators should take priority over the new storage building. Trustee Nemec also noted that Kyle in public works is able to identify the invasive plants along Sleepy Hollow Road so we will not need to hire an arborist. However, no cutting will begin until it is reviewed and approved by the board. Seiler moved with a second from Getz to approve purchase of a chipper that meets with the approval of public works. Aye: Seiler, Getz, Finney, Fudala, Nemec. Motion passed. Trustee Seiler also recommended we start looking into the generators.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

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OLD BUSINESS

1. The letter regarding vesting on 457 plans from Mr. Gross, the retirement plan specialist, was reviewed. Trustee Seiler recommends that the Village not begin vesting until an employee has worked for the village one year. This would take effect with all future hires. The Village currently starts vesting after six months employment. Seiler moved with a second from Finney to amend the village personnel policy that employees must have one year of employment before the village begins contributions to the 457 plan. Motion passed with Nemec voting nay.
2. Nemec moved with a second from Seiler to remove the temporary burning ban. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Trustee Nemec suggested the board consider a change in the ending hour of burning from 5 p.m. to 3:30 or 4 p.m. so burning is stopped before it is dark in late fall. This would involve a change in village ordinance. The consensus was to leave the time as is.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

Seiler moved with a second from Getz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk