

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 18, 2016

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:35 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall. Board members in attendance were President Stephan Pickett and Trustees Scott Finney, Joseph Nemec and Jeff Seiler. Trustees Dennis Fudala, Russell Getz, and Donald Ziemba were absent. Also in attendance were Sgt. Susan Wilson and Director of Finance Ellen Volkening.

MINUTES

1. Seiler moved with a second from Fudala to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of January 4, 2016. Two typos on the first page were noted for correction. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT

1. President Pickett said the Village can purchase from the Secretary of State for \$500 a list from the past two years with all Sleepy Hollow vehicles registered with the State. This list can then be compared with sticker purchases in the Village to see which residents have not purchased Village stickers. Since stickers are due Saturday, April 30th when the Village Hall is closed, late fees will not be enforced until the following Tuesday. Residents will be advised of this information in the newsletter as well as a letter to be included in the mailing with the stickers application.

CLERK

No report.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

No report.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

No report.

ENGINEER

1. Trustee Nemec said he and the Village Engineer reviewed the drainage issues in the area of Thorobred and Kay Court, as well as some other flooding/drainage problem areas in the lower portion of the Village. The repairs needed may not be as extensive as originally feared. Options will be presented at the next meeting.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Seiler moved with a second from Finney to approve the accounts payable of January 18, 2016 in the amount of \$145,362.32. Aye: Seiler, Finney, Nemec, Pickett. Motion passed.

2. Seiler moved with a second from Nemec to approve the operating transfer of \$11,137 from O&M to DI&E. Aye: Seiler, Nemec, Finney, Pickett. Motion passed.

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8 PM: Jim Bolz spoke on behalf of the Dundee Township Rotary Club regarding a "little free library" in the Village where residents donate and take books from a specially built box. These free libraries are located in several locations throughout the area. The box structures are now being built and will be donated to the Village for installation at a location of its choosing. The Board felt a library box by the Village Hall would be appropriate. Mr. Bolz will advise us when the boxes are ready for delivery to the Village.

8:15 PM: Melissa and Becky, representing the Northern Kane County Chamber of Commerce, reported on the fall banquet for the community volunteer service awards. They requested input to improve the awards banquet and asked the Board to start thinking about the Sleepy Hollow volunteer to be recognized at the November banquet.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

No report.

FINANCE

No report.

WATER AND SEWER

No report.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. The Chief should be asked how he wishes to be notified by IDNR when deer sampling will take place. The IDNR may need additional sites in the Village for taking deer.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The new draft for the code book summary should be available shortly.
2. The Board discussed possible options for the Village if the tax increase fails and noted residents should be informed of possible long term consequences. The Board would like a brief summary from Mr. Schuster of the process to un-incorporate the Village and the effects regarding taxes and services. They also wish to know the process and requirements to annex elsewhere.
3. There have been no written submissions regarding sheds, fences or boats. The Board discussed only allowing boat and RV storage on driveways during the season, with dates to be defined, with no winter storage in the Village allowed. It was noted that pop-up campers are not permitted because they apparently fall under the Illinois definition of a recreational vehicle, which

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are restricted in the Village. The majority of the Board members present were not in favor of allowing sheds. The consensus was to permit decorative fencing around gardens, patios, etc. but no perimeter fencing should be allowed. These ideas will be presented in written form for final board discussion and approval before submitting to the Zoning Board for their discussion. It was also noted there appear to be numerous minor modifications that could be made in the code at the same time and we may wish to consult with the Zoning Board Chairman for his thoughts on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

Finney moved with a second from Seiler to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Norine Olson
Village Clerk