

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 15, 2016

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 Stephan Pickett and Trustees Dennis Fudala, Joseph Nemec, and Jeff Seiler. Trustees Scott Finney, Russell Getz, and Donald Ziemba were absent. Also in attendance was Police Chief James Linane.

MINUTES

1. Seiler moved with a second from Nemec to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT

1. President Pickett introduced Bob Trevarthen, an attorney with the Illinois Council of Police, the union representing Sleepy Hollow police officers. Mr. Trevarthen expressed his support of the referendum to increase the Sleepy Hollow portion of taxes to maintain police services and protect the residents and officers.

2. An individual has expressed interest in locating a video gaming café in the Sleepy Hollow Springhill Meadows strip mall. They may apply for a liquor license also.

CLERK

1. A draft newsletter was distributed. Comments should be given to the editor by Wednesday.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING BOARD

No report.

ZBA

No report.

ATTORNEY

No report.

ENGINEER

1. Nemec moved with a second from Seiler to approve Resolution No. 480, "Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code" that appropriates \$44,169.74 from 1/1/16 to 12/31/16. Aye: Nemec, Seiler, Fudala, Pickett. Motion passed. This is for the Boncosky Road project completed last year.

2. The Engineer submitted a memo with estimated costs for projects on Thorobred and Kay.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Seiler moved with a second from Nemec to approve the accounts payable of February 15, 2016 in the amount of \$93,237.10. Aye: Seiler, Nemec, Fudala, Pickett. Motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

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PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

No report.

FINANCE

No report.

WATER AND SEWER

1. Water efficiency has been down due to water leaks and the collapsing manhole on Locust.
2. Seiler moved with a second from Fudala to authorize Heinz & Associates to go out to bid on the Locust Drive sanitary manhole replacement. Aye: Seiler, Fudala, Nemec, Pickett. Motion passed. The engineering design cost is \$2,500 before bids can be obtained.
3. Seiler moved with a second from Fudala to go out to bid to purchase and install pressure reducing valves. Aye: Seiler, Fudala, Nemec, Pickett. Motion passed.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Chief Linane updated the Board on the monthly police activity report, progress on an ordinance regarding criminal charges/ticketing for cannabis, and I.D. cards for village officials.
2. With the resignation of a full time officer, the Chief recommended moving one of the part time officers to the full time position, effective March 1. Nemec moved with a second from Fudala to hire Jane Santiago as a full time officer at an annual salary of \$48,390.41. Aye: Nemec, Fudala, Seiler, Pickett. Motion passed.
3. The Chief recommended the hiring of a former Sleepy Hollow police officer who resigned, with several conditions to his employment, with employment to start March 1. Fudala moved with a second from Seiler to hire Alfredo Trouche as a part time officer as detailed by the Chief at an hourly rate of \$19.00. Aye: Fudala, Seiler, Nemec, Pickett. Motion passed.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

1. Nemec moved with a second from Seiler to approve Ordinance No. 2016-3, An Ordinance Amending Section 6-8-8 of the Village Code Regarding Tree Care and Management in the Village." Aye: Nemec, Seiler, Fudala, Pickett. Motion passed.
2. The resident at 838 Winmoor wishes to trim trees on the Village outlot adjacent to his property. He will not cut down any trees. A liability waiver must be signed by the resident and third party that will do the trimming.
3. IDNR has taken 17 deer for sampling so far this year.
4. Trustee Nemec updated the Board on the Community Garden group, who are meeting this week to plan for the coming season.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. The Board discussed several items in the proposed zoning amendments. Trustee Nemec does not believe building permits should be required for play structures. For boats, it was noted that zoning enforcement is unable to determine if the size is in compliance as they cannot go on private

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property to ascertain the length. It was suggested the village have an annual registration of boats to ensure size compliance. Mr. Nemec would like chickens permitted in the village with regulations; other board members were not in favor of poultry in the village. There was some question about why rabbits were prohibited. The Board also discussed ensuring that outdoor residential lights are not a nuisance to neighbors and suggested eliminating the word "driveway" in that section. The code enforcement officer should be asked his opinion about the proposed changes to zoning. These issues should be discussed further at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustee Nemec spoke with a ComEd rep regarding the LED/smart street lights. ComEd is improving infrastructures to upgrade street lights and anticipates updating Sleepy Hollow infrastructure in 2017. They will be in touch closer to the date of work. They will also work with the village on possible grants for the smart lights program for the village owned street lights.

Seiler moved with a second from Fudala to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk