

VILLAGE OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 15, 2010

The regular meeting of the Sleepy Hollow Corporate Authorities was called to order at 7:32 p.m. at the Sleepy Hollow Village Hall. Board members in attendance were President Stephen Pickett, Trustees Scott Finney, Dennis Fudala, Jeff Seiler, Steve Wind, and Donald Ziemba. Also in attendance were Police Chief Jim Montalbano and Finance Director Ellen Volkening. Trustee Russell Getz was absent.

MINUTES

1. Seiler moved with a second from Wind to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT

1. Seiler moved with a second from Fudala to approve Resolution No. 404 entitled "A Resolution Rescinding and Revoking the Village's Prior Approval of the Final Plat of Subdivision for the Brar Subdivision in the Village." This subdivision was approved last year. The Village has since found that the Brars are not the owners of the property, although they signed and filed the plat as owners. The Brars have not responded to communications from Mr. Schuster on this issue. The Board discussed the matter and it was suggested we give the Brars a final chance to explain and rectify the situation. It was noted that several years have been spent on this development with the Brars, including considerable time by the Plan and Zoning Commissions and the Village would prefer that the Brars correct the problem if possible so that we would not have to start over with this development. Motion passed unanimously. Wind moved with a second from Finney to instruct the Village Attorney to contact the Brars and request an explanation of the situation and action to resolve it by the next board meeting, with an additional 60 days to close on the property. Motion passed unanimously. The engineer and ICCI have been instructed to do no further work on the project. The Brars owe the Village about \$4,500, but we are still holding their initial \$5,000 deposit.
2. Finney moved with a second from Ziemba to appoint Jeff Seiler to the Finance Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

CLERK

1. Com Ed submitted a permit for work on Locust. Ziemba moved with a second from Wind to approve ComEd W.O. # 06829041. The Board reviewed this permit and noted that it appears several residents' driveways will be affected and require repairs. The Board would like to see if ComEd can trench or bore under the driveways instead. Wind move with a second from Finney to table the motion until we obtain more information from ComEd. Motion passed unanimously. Trustee Finney will contact ComEd.

PLAN COMMISSION

No report.

ZONING COMMISSION

Chairman Art Neil discussed the hearing scheduled for April 7. He had questions about some of the language of the petitions regarding the Village's ability to act as petitioner regarding zoning amendments, which President Pickett explained. Mr. Neil also was concerned about the proposal to change all B2 property to B3 zoning and said the Zoning board did make this recommendation and this will be a problem for the Zoning board. He would like someone to explain these petitions in detail to

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the Zoning Board at the public hearing and wanted to know who would do this and also who will answer questions on these petitions at the hearing to members of the audience which he anticipates will also include attorneys. He and Zoning Board members are not comfortable doing so as they did not prepare the petitions and the Zoning board had only suggested three possible B2 parcels to be rezoned to the B3 zoning.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

No report.

ENGINEER

No report.

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

1. Ziemba moved with a second from Wind to approve the accounts payable of March 15, 2010 in the amount of \$89,497.84. Aye: Ziemba, Wind, Finney, Fudala, Seiler. Motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Linda Fagen and Terri Morris, both of Anne Court, discussed a young mentally handicapped adult that sometimes camps out in the wooded Village property behind their homes. There is a large amount of dead wood and brush in that area which he uses to build campfires and they are concerned the fires could get out of control and asked for Village assistance. The Board agreed to talk to Public Works about cleaning out the area. The Police Department will also talk with the young adult.
2. Pam Daidone of Timber Drive asked if the Village would be constructing a trail by her home. President Pickett explained the grant for the trail to be constructed along Sleepy Hollow Road but that there are no plans for a trail by her property.

PARKS, ROADS AND STREETS

1. The Park District has submitted an intergovernmental agreement that will probably need review by Mr. Schuster and will be discussed at a later meeting.

FINANCE

1. Mr. Ziemba reviewed the 10 month financial statements and compared to last year's. It was noted that sales tax is received from Elgin every April and we are in the third year of the 10 year agreement.
2. The first budget meeting will be March 24 at 7:00 p.m.

WATER AND SEWER

1. Two residents submitted written requests that the late fees on their water bills be waived with reasons for the requests. The Board concurred that they do not wish to waive the late fees.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. The oldest squad car has a problem and it won't be known until the work begins whether it's a small repair or expensive one. The Board agreed the car should be fixed either way.

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND ENVIRONMENTAL

No report.

BUILDING AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. There will be an insert in the newsletter advising residents that advertising will be available starting with the next newsletter. Further details should be added to the Village website.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustee Fudala advised the Board that there is a man living in the Village that served several years in prison.
2. A neighborhood watch group has requested permission to use pictures from the Village website on their flyer. The Board did not have a problem with this.

Ziemba moved with a second from Wind to adjourn to executive session at 9:08 p.m. for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act. Aye: Ziemba, Wind, Finney, Fudala, Seiler. Motion passed.

The regular meeting resumed at 9:29 p.m.

Wind moved with a second from Seiler to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Norine Olson
Village Clerk