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**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
November 16, 2022**

Chairman Bob Neiman called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals to order on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6:35 p.m. in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, Illinois.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Bob Neiman, Members Gary Moberly, Gannon O'Brien, Keith Giltner, Leslie Lee and John Podliska

Absent: Member Tom Murphy

Also Present: Village Attorney Michael Marrs, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **September 21, 2022**

Following a correction to the draft minutes, Member Podliska moved to **approve the minutes of September 21, 2022, as amended.** Member Giltner seconded the motion.

AYES: Members Moberly, O'Brien, Giltner, Lee, Podliska and Chairman Neiman

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Member Murphy

Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF FINAL DECISIONS OR FINDINGS OF FACT

a) **V-05-22, 714 South Madison**

Following a correction to the draft findings of fact, Member Giltner moved to **approve the findings of fact for V-05-22, 714 South Madison, as amended.** Member Moberly seconded the motion.

AYES: Members Moberly, O'Brien, Giltner, Lee, Podliska and Chairman Neiman

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Member Murphy

Motion carried.

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4. RECEIPT OF APPEARANCES – None

5. RECEIPT OF REQUESTS, MOTIONS, PLEADINGS, OR REQUESTS TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT OF A GENERAL NATURE – None

6. PRE-HEARING AND AGENDA SETTING – None

7. PUBLIC HEARING - None

8. OLD BUSINESS

a) APP-01-22, 110 East Ogden Avenue - Status

Court Reporter Kathy Bono administered the oath to all those intending to speak.

Ms. Kelly Staver, 115 Fuller Road addressed the Board stating this has been a long and frustrating experience. Setting aside the property line dispute, the bigger issue was that the site plan did not include the removal of trees. She expressed her disappointment with respect to the Village Board, Village staff and the Village Attorney. However, she thanked the Zoning Board because they took the time to do their due diligence in this matter.

Ms. Staver stated the appeal is outdated and, therefore, they are withdrawing the appeal.

Chairman Neiman commented that this matter could have been avoided had the 110 E. Ogden owner rang their neighbors doorbells before they took down the trees, or pointed out on the original plan they planned to take down the trees. This would have been the neighborly thing to do. In this case, it is water under the bridge, but he encouraged all residents in the Village to talk to their neighbors.

Dr. Cara Hartman, owner of 110 E. Ogden Avenue, approached the podium. Ms. Bono administered the oath. Dr. Hartman agreed that the process has been difficult. She believes there was a lot of miscommunication about the trees, and assumptions were made. She has invested widely in this property, but what happened sends a message to future business owners to consider where they are putting their business. The interference from neighbors is scary.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Neiman announced the retirement of Village Clerk and ZBA secretary Chris Bruton. Board members and others present thanked her for her service and wished her well in her retirement.

1 **10. ADJOURNMENT**

2 With no further business before the Zoning Board of Appeals, Member Moberly
3 made a motion to **adjourn the Zoning Board of Appeals of November 16, 2022.**
4 Member Podliska seconded the motion.

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6 **AYES:** Members Moberly, O'Brien, Giltner, Lee, Podliska and Chairman Neiman

7 **NAYS:** None

8 **ABSTAIN:** None

9 **ABSENT:** Member Murphy

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11 Motion carried.

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14 Chairman Neiman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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