

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
March 5, 2019**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Village President Tom Cauley in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 7:31 p.m., roll call was taken.

Present: Trustees Christopher Elder, Michael Ripani, Luke Stifflear, Gerald J. Hughes, Matthew Posthuma, Neale Byrnes and President Tom Cauley

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom, Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois, Police Chief Brian King, Deputy Chief of Police Tom Lillie, Fire Chief John Giannelli, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Village Planner Chan Yu, Administration Manager Emily Wagner, Management Analyst Jean Bueche and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cauley led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **Regular meeting of February 19, 2019**

There being no changes to the draft minutes, Trustee Hughes moved to **approve the draft minutes of the regular meeting of February 19, 2019, as presented.** Trustee Byrnes seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cauley reported about the deteriorating Metra and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) train service between Hinsdale and downtown Chicago. Approximately 1,000 residents commute to Chicago every weekday, good service is essential to the community, and he believes bad service will begin to effect property values. Last year there were 2,072 train delays on the

BNSF line through Hinsdale; this line had the most signal and switch failures of any line on the Metra system. Of those 2,072 delays, 1,165 of them occurred during rush hour; this number exceeded the next closest line by 600 delays. In December alone, BNSF #127 that leaves Chicago at 5:32 p.m. was on time only 63% of the time. This is unacceptable. Metra claims these delays are the result of human error; there were 353 train delays due to human error in December 2018 alone. Congressman Dan Lipinski is spearheading an effort to attempt to get BNSF and Metra to fix the problems. Representative Deanne Mazzochi is also concerned, and plans on holding a town hall meeting to explore solutions. President Cauley has asked staff to prepare a resolution for adoption at the next meeting to share Hinsdale's position that its residents and all BNSF passengers deserve much better.

FIRST READINGS – INTRODUCTION

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

- a) **Approve a street closure on Chicago Avenue and Burlington Drive from Washington Street to Garfield Street on Sunday, June 23, 2019, Sunday, August 18, 2019, and Sunday, October 6, 2019 for a FuelFed coffee and classics are event**

Trustee Hughes introduced the item related to the approval of street closures for three summer events, adding this is the third year for this request, and nothing is different this year.

Mr. Andy Blankenburg of 420 Eighth Place, representing FuelFed, reported that there have been no issues with the event from a public safety standpoint. Further, attendance is growing from other suburbs, which is good for the village.

Trustee Hughes added that closing Chicago Avenue on a Sunday morning when traffic is minimal is not an impediment.

The Board agreed to move this item to the Consent agenda of their next meeting.

Environment & Public Services (Chair Byrnes)

- b) **Approve an additional fee request from Wight and Company for the re-design of certain elements of the parking deck and assistance provided in the preliminary approval process with School District 181 for a cost not to exceed \$67,033**

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item that is a request for payment of additional fees for new structural design options on the parking deck. These changes are a result of recent mediation with District 181. Representatives from Wight and Company have been present at the mediations, and have been very helpful.

President Cauley noted the mediation is confidential, but if anyone has any questions to call him.

The Board agreed to move this item forward for a Second reading at their next meeting.

Zoning and Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- c) **Approve a Resolution Adopting Written Design Standards for Small Wireless Facilities**

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item which is a resolution to adopt design standards for small wireless facilities. This matter is on the agenda as a result of the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act which was signed into law last year by the State of Illinois. With 5G networks on the horizon, telecommunication companies will be deploying small cell equipment throughout our Village, most of which will be installed on telephone and light

poles in the public right-of-way, which they have the right to do. He noted the equipment is smaller, but one can expect to see equipment on every 3rd to 4th light pole. While it is important to residents to have the coverage 5G will provide, it is also important to protect residents from unnecessary clutter in front of their homes, and to avoid visual blight. The design standards before the Board will prevent multi-colored wires, cables and boxes, exposed cabling and hardware, extensions on top of light or telephone poles which are not continuous with the main pole, and installation of new poles on property lot lines, rather in front of a home. Additionally, the standards provide for any equipment located on the ground to have a landscape buffer. Trustee Stifflear explained that the designs for this equipment will improve over time, and this document will change to reflect improvements. He said that Village Planner Chan Yu has been very diligent, and tough with applicants. The goal is for these installations to be the least intrusive as possible. The Board agreed to move this item forward for a Second reading at their next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

- a) Trustee Elder moved **Approval and payment of the accounts payable for the period of February 20, 2019 to March 5, 2019, in the aggregate amount of \$621,250.32 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The following items were approved by omnibus vote:

- b) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 3 (“Business and License Regulations”), Chapter 3 (“Liquor Control”), Section 3;-3-11 (“Classification of Local Liquor Licenses”) and Section 3-3-12 (“Term; Fees”) of the Village Code of Hinsdale Related to Classification of and Fees for Local Liquor Licenses** (*First Reading – February 19, 2019*)

Environment & Public Services (Chair Byrnes)

- c) **Approve an ordinance authorizing the vacation of a certain portion of an unimproved alley situated west of and adjoining 650 South Thurlow Street in the Village of Hinsdale, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois at a purchase price of \$10,600**

Zoning and Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- d) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 5 (“Police Regulations”) Chapter 3 (“Misdemeanor Offenses”), Section 5.1 (“Sale or distribution of tobacco to minors, by minors or at institutions serving minors”) of the Village Code of Hinsdale in**

regard to E-Cigarettes and Alternative Nicotine Products (*First Reading – February 19, 2019*)

Trustee Hughes moved to **approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.** Trustee Byrnes seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

SECOND READINGS / NON-CONSENT AGENDA – ADOPTION

Zoning and Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- a) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6-12-3 of the Village Code of Hinsdale relative to stop signs** (*First Reading – February 19, 2019*)

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item that authorizes the installation of two-way stop signs at 13 intersections primarily in the northeast quadrant of the Village. The Police Department has conducted a thorough study, and all intersections satisfy the criteria outlined in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Devices for a controlled intersection. Additional intersections will be studied moving forward, and will come to the Board as warranted.

Trustee Elder moved to **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6-12-3 of the Village Code of Hinsdale relative to stop signs.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

- b) **Approve a Referral to Plan Commission for further hearing and review the fifth major adjustment to a site plan and exterior appearance plan request by the Salt Creek Club at 830 N. Madison Street**

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item which is a recommendation to the Plan Commission for further hearing and review of a request from the Salt Creek Club to install lights on their tennis courts. The proposed lighting is code compliant, but this is a planned development. By referring the matter to the Plan Commission, residents will be noticed and heard.

President Cauley added that anytime a proposal is dealing with lights, it is better to send the matter to the Plan Commission. He suggested the courts furthest away from area homes be lighted. Trustee explained the rationale for Salt Creek's selection of courts; lighting the proposed courts would require no variation from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). If the Board recommends changing the courts, Trustee Stifflear is concerned about imposing an additional cost, and would recommend waving the ZBA application fee.

Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano recommended asking the Plan Commission consider dimmable lights, as were approved for the Land Rover project. President Cauley suggested imposing times for play to manage noise, and turning the lights off at that time. Trustee Stifflear moved to **Approve a Referral to Plan Commission for further hearing and review the fifth major adjustment to a site plan and exterior appearance plan request by the Salt Creek Club at 830 N. Madison Street.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Trustee Stifflear mentioned that an item regarding a referral for Hinsdale Meadows was removed from the agenda. President Cauley added that he had spoken to the developer, who is asking to change some of the units, but President Cauley believes the best way to move this forward is to have the architects on the Plan Commission and Historic Preservation Commission look at the proposal before coming to the Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a) Chamber of Commerce request for in-kind services

Ms. Eva Field, President and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Board explaining this is the same request as last year and years before.

The Board had no additional questions or concerns, and are okay with the request as submitted.

DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS

- a) Community Development
- b) Parks & Recreation
- c) Economic Development
- d) Police

The report(s) listed above were provided to the Board. There were no additional questions regarding the content of the department and staff reports.

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Stifflear remarked that since the Board passed a Resolution regarding Sterigenics, the business continues to be closed. Representative Deanne Mazzochi has been working with Illinois House Minority Leader Jim Durkin to introduce a bi-partisan bill and pass legislation providing safeguards for residents.

He also commented that there were a number of complaints last year regarding increased air traffic over Hinsdale from Midway Airport. Airport representatives explained that weather changes or when there is work on primary runways, air traffic will shift from normal patterns. This is of great concern to residents, and the Board wants to make sure the Village has information available, and will install two noise monitoring stations to gather information.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, President Cauley asked for a motion to adjourn to Closed Session. Trustee Hughes moved to **adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees of February 19, 2019 into closed session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) litigation, filed or pending before a court or administrative tribunal or when an action is probable or imminent, not to reconvene into open session.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Village Clerk