

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

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, November 2, 2021 at 7:30 p.m., roll call was taken.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees Matthew Posthuma, Luke Stifflear, Michelle Fisher, Neale Byrnes, Scott Banke

Absent: Trustee Laurel Haarlow

Also Present: Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom, Police Chief Brian King, Fire Chief John Giannelli, Assistant to the Village Manager Trevor Bosack, Finance Director Andrea Lamberg, Director of Community Development Robb McGinnis, Village Planner Bethany Salmon, Director of Public Services George Peluso and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

Present by phone: Human Resources Director Tracy McLaughlin, Village Engineer Dan Deeter, and Superintendent of Parks & Recreation Heather Bereckis

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **Regular Meeting of October 19, 2021**

There being no changes or corrections to the draft minutes, Trustee Posthuma moved to **approve the draft minutes of the regular meeting of October 19, 2021, as presented.** Trustee Banke seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Posthuma, Stifflear, Byrnes, Banke

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Fisher

ABSENT: Trustee Haarlow

Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION

President Cauley read a Certificate of Appreciation for retiring Fire Department Firefighter/Paramedic Michael Karban, who has been with the Village of Hinsdale for 29 years. Mr. Karban was present with his wife and many Fire Department personnel past and present. President Cauley extended best wishes and thanks to Mr. Karban.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cauley reported that in recent weeks there have been numerous media reports of area crime. Chief King has been monitoring these events and regularly updating the Village Board. There is a pattern of home burglaries. In response, the Police Department has stepped up patrols, and continues to work with other area Police Departments to address these crime patterns. Residents are encouraged to light their properties at dusk, and call the police if they observe a suspicious person or vehicle. He reminded residents to lock their cars and remove the key and/or fob from the vehicle.

The Village's current 15-year infrastructure plan, which guided replacement of roads, sewers and water mains expires in 2024. This evening, the Board will consider the commissioning of a study to help formulate a new 15-year plan. This will help the Village identify future infrastructure work, and effectively deploy the necessary monies for those projects.

In the near future, westbound 47th Street, between Princeton Road and Fair Elms Avenue will be reduced to one lane due to work related to the I-294 pedestrian bridge project that spans Hinsdale to Western Springs. He noted upcoming Parks & Recreation special events and asked residents to check the Village website for details.

With respect to COVID-19, DuPage County's 7-day rolling positivity rate is at 2.4%, a slight decrease from the last report. Other area statistics were reported.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

FIRST READINGS – INTRODUCTION

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Posthuma)

- a) **Approve an increase to the budget for lobbying services in the amount of \$33,000 to continue the contract with JLD Consulting through the end of May 2022**

Trustee Posthuma introduced the item to approve a continuation of the contract with JLD Consulting for lobbying services relative to the Tollway. He noted the contract can be cancelled with 30-days notice.

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

Environment & Public Services (Chair Byrnes)

- b) **Award a Pavement Management Study and Master Infrastructure Plan Development engineering services to HR Green in the amount not to exceed \$57,400**

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item to approve funding for a pavement management study to develop a new Master Infrastructure Plan (MIP). This will provide a clear, data driven assessment for repairs to plan future maintenance needs and corresponding costs.

Mr. Scott Creech, from HR Green, addressed the Board, and explained that pavement management software will be used to provide the analysis. He noted, however, that the software does not consider water main work. He said HR Green has used this software successfully in Illinois, Iowa and California. President Cauley added this is sophisticated analysis that cannot be done in-house. Further, the study used for the last MIP was also outsourced. Director of Public Services George Peluso said they will not redo all the roads, but will prioritize resurfacing vs. restructuring. The goal is to keep all the roads in good and excellent shape forever. President Cauley recalled the suggestion of a resident for the use of a sealant

such as that used at Navy airports, that can preserve the surface for many years. Mr. Creech explained he is familiar with the product, and there are pros and cons. It can be more effective, but is more costly up front, and requires additional cure time. President Cauley asked for a cost benefit analysis on this. Mr. Creech provided an overview of how the report is produced that includes a field study of the 67 miles of Village roadway. The roads are rated using a number of rating components, as well as traffic information. The resulting report, and the software, are given to the Village, with an update every five years. Staff will also be able to update the system. The Board agreed to move this to the Consent agenda of their next meeting.

c) Approve State of Illinois joint bid purchase of bulk winter deicing salt to Compass Minerals in the amount of \$42,679

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item stating the Village joins the State of Illinois and DuPage County for the purchase of winter deicing salt. The State rebid the contract for the 2021-2022 season.

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

Zoning & Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

d) Approve an Ordinance Approving an Exterior Appearance and Site Plan for Façade Improvements to an Existing Building at – 33 E. First Street – Frederick Lynn Haberdasshere

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item, noting this is the former Hinsdale Furrier location. The proposed haberdashery will be located on the second floor of the building, the first floor use is yet to be determined. The building is classified as a contributing structure, and potentially significant according to the 2003 Architectural Resources in the Downtown survey. The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) and the Plan Commission (PC) have reviewed the proposed plans and provided comments and suggestions that have been incorporated. These include preserving the existing red brick and not painting or replacing the brick, painting the existing concrete block on the west side of the building, and painting any trim with a lighter color to be used on the sign band area between the first and second floors. With these changes, the HPC and the PC unanimously recommended approval.

Mr. Aaron Comes, property owner, addressed the Board. He said, based on HPC feedback, he will keep the original brick and spruce up the rest of the building. Improvements include paint and repairs to the alley wall and restoration of first floor windows. On the rear easement, he wants to change the back door to face the parking lot and add a canopy. Trustee Stifflear added a utility pole will be removed. Mr. Comes explained that his business will occupy the second floor because of privacy, and it is a nicer space. He is looking for a complementary business for the first floor. He added he hopes to address lighting in the future, and possibly a gate for the alleyway passage.

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

e) Approve an Ordinance Approving a Design Review Permit and Sign Permit for the Installation of a New Sign Cabinet on an Existing Ground Sign Base - 920 N. York Road - The Derm Institute

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item to approve the design of a new internally illuminated sign cabinet on an existing ground sign base for the Derm Institute that occupies the first floor of a multi-tenant office building. The property is located in the O2 Limited Office district, as do the properties to the north and west of the subject property. He explained that the

Board typically does not review signage, but this is before the Board because the property is in a design review overlay district.

He described the proposed sign, noting that the dimensions and specifications are all code compliant. The applicant would like to install a black aluminum cabinet with a teal background and white text. The background is opaque so that when lit, only the lettering will be visible on the sign face, as required by code. The Plan Commission (PC) held a public hearing on October 13, and there were no public comments provided, however, certain Commissioners believed the lettering on the sign was too large. There was also some concern regarding the teal color, and illumination at night. The PC voted unanimously to recommend approval of the sign, and the applicant has agreed to put a dimmer on the sign to control illumination.

Mr. Stephen Hull, from Doyle Sign Company, and Dr. Jordan Carqueville, from Derm Institute addressed the Board. Dr. Carqueville talked about the genesis of the teal color, saying the original concept was a pantone display of skin tones, but the Plan Commission felt that was too busy. The blue is muted, calming and a soothing color. It was noted that the code limits signs to three colors. Mr. Hull illustrated the sign with a to-scale sample of the character height, and a color sample. The sign will be located in the existing brick base. The white lettering is translucent, and an opaque paint is used for the rest. They will install a dimmer switch, and can put a lockbox around the dimmer. The sign is located 10' feet back from the intersection. Dr. Carqueville assured the Board that the sign is important to the sustainability of the business; there are fewer private practices, and good word of mouth is important. Trustee Stifflear referenced the McDonalds sign across the street, commenting the 'm' is larger than the proposed lettering for the Derm Institute sign.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Posthuma)

- a) Trustee Banke moved **Approval and payment of the accounts payable for the period of October 14, 2021 through October 27, 2021 in the aggregate amount of \$685,304.45 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 Posthuma, Stifflear, Fisher, Byrnes, Banke

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Haarlow

Motion carried.

The following items were approved by omnibus vote:

Environment & Public Services (Chair Byrnes)

- b) **Approve an Ordinance authorizing the vacation of a certain portion of an unimproved alley situated east of and adjoining 725 South Quincy Street in the Village of Hinsdale, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois**

Zoning & Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- c) **Approve the renewal of an Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Board of Education of Hinsdale Township High School District No. 86 and the Village of Hinsdale for School Resource Officer Services** (*First Reading – October 19, 2021*)
- d) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6-12-3(B) of the Village Code of Hinsdale (for installation of two-way stop signs at three Ninth Street intersections); and Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 6-12-4(D) (for installation of a multi-stop sign at Lincoln & Center)** (*First Reading – October 19, 2021*)

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

AYES: Trustees Posthuma, Stifflear, Fisher, Byrnes, Banke

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Haarlow

Motion carried.

SECOND READINGS / NON-CONSENT AGENDA – ADOPTION

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Posthuma)

- a) **Approve a Resolution Determining Amounts of Money to be Raised through Ad Valorem Property Taxes for the Village of Hinsdale in the amount of \$11,100,926** (*First Reading – October 19, 2021*)

Trustee Posthuma introduced the item and reviewed the numbers included in the resolution. Trustee Posthuma moved to **Approve a Resolution Determining Amounts of Money to be Raised through Ad Valorem Property Taxes for the Village of Hinsdale in the amount of \$11,100,926.** Trustee Banke seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Posthuma, Stifflear, Fisher, Byrnes, Banke

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Haarlow

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a) **Tollway update** – No update at this time
- b) **Tollway Flooding Event June 26, 2021**
Village Manager Kathleen Gargano reported that the Village has received updates from Walsh construction regarding settlements with area residents. Things are progressing positively.

DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS

a) Parks & Recreation

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.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, President Cauley asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Banke moved to **adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees of November 2, 2021.** Trustee Fisher seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Posthuma, Stifflear, Fisher, Byrnes, Banke

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Haarlow

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Village Clerk