

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
SPECIAL MEETING
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
August 2, 2010**

The special meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Tom Cauley in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building on Monday, August 2, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees Bob Saigh, Cindy Williams, Doug Geoga and Bob Schultz

Absent: Trustee J. Kimberley Angelo and Trustee Laura LaPlaca

Also Present: Attorney Scott Ginsberg, Village Manager Dave Cook, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Director of Parks & Recreation Gina Hassett, Director of Public Services George Franco, Fire Chief Mike Kelly and Deputy Village Clerk Christine Bruton

Also Present: Amy Deis—Doings

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Cauley suggested certain changes to the language of the draft minutes. Trustee Saigh moved **to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 13, 2010, as amended.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Saigh, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Angelo and LaPlaca

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

Ms. Maryanne Romanelli of 1211 Hawthorne Court addressed the Board to express her gratitude to Chiefs Bloom and Kelly, Deputy Chief Simpson, Village Manager Dave Cook, Director of Public Services George Franco and their staffs for help above and beyond during the flooding at Graue Mill. She has always admired the

work they do, but was so impressed after seeing them in action last Saturday. She thanked them for their professionalism and an outstanding job.

John Romanelli of 1211 Hawthorne Court echoed the sentiments of his wife. Real tragedy was avoided because of the exemplary job of staff. He, too, expressed his thanks to all those who helped.

Jerry Mejdrich of 515 Highland Road addressed the Board regarding his ongoing concerns with the Veeck Park project. He believes open issues still exist. A path to circle the entire park was promised, but certain areas are not in bid documents. The problem of the remaining excess dirt still needs to be resolved. One of the fields is not finished. Screening and landscaping of the building also remains incomplete, however, he has noticed graffiti on the building and perhaps additional screening would be unadvisable. In the matter of the flooding of Highland Road, there is a new stormwater sewer that ultimately dumps into Salt Creek; but the source of the water on Highland is the railroad track road bed and he believes this is where the majority of the water on Highland Road comes from. He hopes the Village will look at these issues. There is standing water on Highland Road, it may go down quicker, but they still get a lot of water.

Mr. Cook explained that some of these issues are works in process and some are contract issues that we are trying to resolve. A meeting is scheduled later this week with Trustee LaPlaca and the contractors on this project to iron out these problems. Trustee Schultz mentioned the skate park graffiti and wondered if the graffiti in Veeck is done by the same people.

Lois Mejdrich of 515 Highland Road thinks the Village should consider the installation of video cameras on the building at Veeck Park and at the skate park to discourage the graffiti. Regarding the water issues, she referenced the comments of her husband about the railroad bed water and erosion and stated that a graphic in the stormwater master plan illustrated a pipe in the park where the water comes down from the railroad bed that would have handled this water and wants to know why it eliminated in final construction. Mr. Cook confirmed that this is being investigated.

Don Hirhager, owner of Hinsdale Mobil, addressed the Board on his behalf and that of the owners of the Shell and BP stations in Hinsdale. He stated that the proposed 1% sales tax increase will have a detrimental effect on their businesses and put them at a competitive disadvantage. They will have to raise their prices to cover this increase and he believes the Board is asking a lot of a small group of people. He would like the Board to reconsider moving forward with this sales tax increase.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cauley stated that he wanted to reiterate the remarks of Mr. & Mrs. Romanelli. He commended Village Manager Cook and the Fire, Police and Public Services Departments for their extraordinary work and seamless effort evacuating 250 residents from Graue Mill during the flood Saturday before last. He reported that these people collectively put in 230 hours of overtime. He read the names of each staff member who participated and stated it was fine example of collaborative effort.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Cauley read the Consent Agenda as follows:

Items Recommended by Zoning & Public Safety Committee

Item A: **Ordinance Approving a Design Review Permit for Site Plan and Exterior Appearance Plan Modifications at 920 N. York Road** (Omnibus vote) (O2010-38)

Item B: **Approve a Payment in the Amount of \$13,520 to the DuPage Metropolitan Enforcement Group (DUMEG) from the FY 2010-2011 Budget** (Omnibus vote)

Item C: **Approve the Purchase of a Replacement Police Vehicle, a 2010 Ford Explorer XLT for \$22,304.75 from Currie Motors Under the Terms of the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative** (Omnibus vote)

Item D: **Ordinance Authorizing the Sale by Auction of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Hinsdale (2004 Chevy Impala Vehicle)** (Omnibus vote) (O2010-39)

Items Recommended by Administration & Community Affairs

Item E: **Waive Rental Fees at KLM for the Hinsdale Garden Club** (Omnibus vote)

Item F: **Approve the 2010-11 Platform Tennis Fee Schedule** (Omnibus vote)

Item G: **Approve the Annual Gateway Special Recreation Association Membership Fee** (Omnibus vote)

Item H: **Approval of a Special Use Permit for Robbins Park for Sunday, October 17, 2010** (Omnibus vote)

Item I: **Award of Bid #1474 to Mortenson Roofing Co., Inc. in the amount of \$96,000.00 for the Memorial Hall Roof Repair with Copper Gutter and Flashing Replacement** (Omnibus vote)

Item J: **Approve the 2010 IPM Plan to Control Weeds Using the Pesticide "Tripower", as needed, for Various Locations in the Village** (Omnibus vote)

Trustee Saigh moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Trustee Williams seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Saigh, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Angelo and LaPlaca

Motion carried.

President Cauley referenced the annual Gateway Special Recreation Association membership fee, noting that there are approximately twenty-five residents using the program. He understands that Countryside has opted to pay the whole fee for residents and drop their membership with Gateway. He asked Park & Recreation Director Gina Hassett, to find out what the difference in cost would be to the Village for next year.

ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Accounts Payable

Trustee Schultz stated that all seemed in order, but he had a question about a \$325,574.71 payment to the State of Illinois. He pointed out that they are five months in arrears in sales tax payments to the Village of Hinsdale, should we pay them when they are not paying us? Discussion followed regarding withholding this payment. Regarding the urgency of making the payment, Asst. Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois said the State has been in contact with him and are aware that this payment is up for consideration at this Board meeting, he can, however, tell them that we are not ready to make the payment. Trustee Schultz moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the period of July 10, 2010 through July 30, 2010 in the aggregate amount of \$1,062,120.70 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk, which excludes a payment to the State of Illinois in the amount \$325,574.71.** Trustee Williams seconded the motion.

President Cauley agrees that the State should have some accountability for the money they owe us. Trustee Saigh cautioned the Board not to put Hinsdale at a disadvantage for future grants or considerations that come out of Springfield. Further, could this action have detrimental effects for Kirk Dillard and Patti Bellock. President Cauley agreed this was a good point and would not be desirable, but feels that we can play this by ear for a while. It was suggested that any strategizing on this be done in closed session with the full Board. Mr. Cook confirmed that the State's non-payment of sales tax revenues is state-wide; Hinsdale has not been singled out.

AYES: Trustees Saigh, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Angelo and LaPlaca

Motion carried.

Mr. Langlois explained that this accounts payable is larger than usual because it is for a three week time period instead of two and includes several large payments that do not usually fall within the same period.

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES

No report.

ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Approval to hire a part-time inspector on a temporary basis to assist the Community Development Department with the Hinsdale Hospital Patient Pavilion project

Trustee Williams began discussion by stating that this item was discussed at ZPS. She reported that staff thinks this the most economical way to provide needed service but that Trustee LaPlaca was concerned that it might slip into a full-time position. Trustee Williams moved **Approval to hire a part-time inspector on a temporary basis to assist the Community Development Department with the Hinsdale Hospital Patient Pavilion project.** Trustee Geoga seconded the motion.

Mr. Cook confirmed that this item relates solely to the hospital. The hourly fee to use a contracted inspector is \$85.00/hr, the proposed part-time person would be roughly a third of the cost per hour. Discussion followed regarding the specific costs. Mr. McGinnis explained that the man he would like to hire is a semi-retired, licensed electrician and would fill the gap in staff electrical expertise perfectly. He also noted that most of what an inspector needs to know for commercial inspections is industry standard, there are very few local amendments. President Cauley asked Mr. McGinnis to come back to the Board when about \$30,000 has been spent of the budgeted funds.

AYES: Trustees Saigh, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Angelo and LaPlaca

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

No reports.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Cook reported on the damage from the storm on July 23rd. He provided a map to the Board that illustrates initial damage assessment. There was damage throughout town, 51 residents responded, but he speculated that the number of actual damaged homes was two to three times higher. This information was reported to DuPage County today and along with the \$33,000 estimated public assistance damage for rescue relief. The Governor's office will compile all county information and make a determination for disaster relief.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Schultz pointed out that the sales tax referendum is upon us and we do not have a task force or an individual to head up the education effort nor has the economy improved. He suggested the Board discuss at their next meeting whether or not to keep this item on the ballot in November. Trustee Williams agreed the Board should discuss whether it is prudent to go forward. President Cauley explained his intention to announce a task force in September. He has heard from many people who are willing to volunteer and feels September is better timing than the summer. Trustee Geoga commented that as we sit here and talk about flooding conditions, the need to address infrastructure has never been more clearly understood. This Board has demonstrated good fiscal stewardship, he believes the community understands these steps; the considerations discussed last time to put it on the ballot are stronger than ever, he is still in favor. Trustee Schultz pointed that we took the item off the April ballot because we were within sixty days of the election; we are dangerously close to that time frame again. Trustee Williams is concerned that November will be a difficult cycle considering what all is on the ballot. Trustee Saigh commented that he doesn't see the harm in asking.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Village Board of Trustees, and no need for a Closed Session, Trustee Williams **moved to adjourn the special meeting of August 2, 2010.** Trustee Geoga seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Saigh, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Angelo and LaPlaca

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Deputy Village Clerk