

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
May 3, 2011**

The Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees regularly scheduled meeting was called to order by President Tom Cauley in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees J. Kimberley Angelo, Bob Saigh, Laura LaPlaca, Cindy Williams, Doug Geoga, Bob Schultz and Trustees-elect Christopher Elder and William Haarlow

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Attorney Ken Florey, Village Manager Dave Cook, Police Chief Brad Bloom, Fire Chief Mike Kelly, Assistant Village Manger/Director of Finance Darrell Langlois, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Director of Public Services George Franco, Director of Parks and Recreation Gina Hassett, Director of Economic Development Tim Scott and Deputy Village Clerk Christine Bruton

Also Present: Dennis Jacobs – Patch.com, Ken Knudson – The Hinsdalean, Chuck Fieldman – The Doings, Liz Stover – Suburban Life

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Saigh moved to **approve the minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Meeting of April 19, 2011 and the Closed Session minutes of April 5, 2011.** Trustee Schultz seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

## **HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROCLAMATION**

President Cauley read the Historic Preservation Proclamation; May is National Historic Preservation Month.

## **OATH OF OFFICE - PROBATIONARY FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC**

President Cauley introduced new Probationary Firefighter/Paramedic Jared Skibbins and administered the Oath of Office.

## **CITIZENS' PETITIONS**

**Phil Moriarty, 914 Harding Road**, thanked President Cauley and his colleagues for restoring civility to these proceedings.

## **VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Cauley talked about the serious budgeting issue in Springfield wherein the State will decide whether they will pull back \$300,000,000 currently disbursed to municipalities. This will result in a \$400,000 loss of revenue for the Village of Hinsdale. Hinsdale has tried to use the State monies wisely, it is unconscionable for the State of Illinois to meet their budget gap by taking money away from municipalities. He urged people to call their State legislators and tell them to vote no.

Following up on the Veeck Park dirt disposal issue, President Cauley reported that Trustee LaPlaca has been working with the engineer and the contractor on the project to achieve the goal of putting the park in the condition it was in before building the storm water facility. Costs for the project will be carried by the Village, John Burns, Inc. and Clark-Dietz. Trustee LaPlaca commented that the final numbers should be available this week or early next to develop a final agreement.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

President Cauley read the Consent Agenda as follows:

### Items Recommended by Zoning & Public Services Committee

- a) **Resolution for Improvement by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code** (Omnibus vote)

- b) **Ordinance Vacating the West Half of Public Alley Right-of-Way and Adjoining 746 South Thurlow Street for the Purchase Price of \$16,000** (Omnibus vote)
- c) **Ordinance Amending Title 6 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 6 (Stopping, Standing and Parking), Section 6-6-5 (Village Permit Lots) of the Village Code to Allow for the Use of a Pay Box at the West Hinsdale Commuter Parking Area** (Omnibus vote)
- d) **Approve a Request for Street Closure (Hillgrove Avenue and County Line Road between Walnut and Hillgrove) on May 14-15, 2011 to Accommodate the Hinsdale Wellness House 3K and 5K Race** (Omnibus vote)
- e) **Ordinance Declaring Certain Personal Property of the Village as Surplus (Police Vehicles and Seized Vehicles)** (Omnibus vote)
  - Items Recommended by Administration & Community Affairs Committee
- f) **Ordinance Amending Title 1 (Administrative), Chapter 7 (Village Clerk) of the Village Code of Hinsdale Regarding the Appointment of the Village Clerk** (Omnibus vote)
- g) **Approve the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Blanket Purchase orders in the amount of \$1,035,000** (Omnibus vote)
- h) **Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Hinsdale** (Omnibus vote)
- i) **Resolution Opposing Reductions of State Collected Revenues due Municipalities** (Omnibus vote)
- j) **Approve a Request from Hinsdale Hospital for a Special Use Permit for Burlington Park** (Omnibus vote)
- k) **Approve the Additional Service Agreement with Design Perspectives to Prepare Bid Packages and Manage the KLM Shelter Renovation in the amount of \$8,150** (Omnibus vote)
- l) **Approve a Request from the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce related to their 2011 Schedule of Events:** (Item considered separately)
  - i. **Receive In-kind Support from the Village of Hinsdale**
  - ii. **Display Banners at Specified Locations in the Village of Hinsdale**
  - iii. **Authorize the Closing of Chicago Avenue between Garfield and Washington to Conduct the Annual Fine Arts Fair, Farmer's Market and Uniquely Thursday Event Series**

President Cauley clarified that the term of the appointed Village Clerk is a four-year term, consecutive with that of the Village President so that person can appoint the clerk of their choice. Trustee LaPlaca, referencing Item B, noted that Committee suggested that the Board consider for future vacatings, that those monies be put in a separate fund for possible future acquisitions. She asked that Item L be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Trustee Saigh, referencing waiving fees, asked the Board to revisit the policy of waiving fees. Trustee Schultz moved **to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**Approve a Request from the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce related to their  
2011 Schedule of Events**

Trustee LaPlaca stated that she is concerned about changing the date of the Christmas Walk; the Chamber has determined to move it from the Friday after Thanksgiving to the following week in part because District 181 has the week off and as a reaction to the economy. Trustee Schultz also expressed concern about the date change, but understands the Chamber will discuss it again, he noted that resident feedback to him has been to keep it the old way. Trustee LaPlaca commented that the Chamber wants a revenue producing event, but that this is a community event as well. Director of Economic Development Tim Scott confirmed that the Chamber Executive Board will look at the date again. President Cauley pointed out that if those businesses have a good reason for this change we should hear it. Discussion followed on how best to confirm this item. Trustee LaPlaca moved to **approve a Request from the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce related to their 2011 Schedule of Events, with the exception of the Christmas date.** Trustee Schultz seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

**Accounts Payable**

Trustee Angelo moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the Period of April 16, 2011 through April 29, 2011 in the aggregate amount of \$817,463.37 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**An Ordinance Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Hinsdale and the Village of Burr Ridge Regarding the Paddle Courts and Paddle Hut Located at KLM Park in the Village of Hinsdale**

President Cauley introduced the item, explaining that this was a long process and that Trustees Geoga and Schultz had spent a lot of time on this matter. He noted that Burr Ridge's Village Board has unanimously approved a resolution supporting this intergovernmental agreement. Trustee Schultz moved to approve **An Ordinance Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Hinsdale and the Village of Burr Ridge Regarding the Paddle Courts and Paddle Hut Located at KLM Park in the Village of Hinsdale.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES**

No report.

**ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Referral to Plan Commission for Review and Consideration of a Text Amendment to Article III (Single-Family Residential Districts), Section 3-110 (Bulk, Space and Yard Requirements) of the Hinsdale Zoning Code, as it Relates to Eliminating the Maximum Floor Area Ratio for New Single-Family Residences that Receive Design Review Approval from the Design Review Commission**

President Cauley introduced the item explaining that the previous Village Board explored the idea of a commission that would approve architectural details and assist residents with construction guidelines. Hinsdale is a non-home rule community and

therefore cannot enforce these guidelines, but the Village can provide an incentive to comply. The 'carrot' is Floor Area Ratio; houses maxed out on FAR are often not architecturally appealing, however, FAR relief could result in a more appealing house. It is unknown if residents will participate in the process. The item before the Board is a recommendation to refer the matter to the Plan Commission. Trustee Geoga suggested the Board refer with the recommendation of a trial period to be determined by the Plan Commission, to see how the process works. Trustee Schultz is concerned that quarterly meetings may not be timely if somebody is trying to build a home. Trustee Angelo agreed, the Plan Commission should know the Board has reservations. Trustee Schultz asked if there would be a fee schedule for applicants. President Cauley noted that a referral is not an endorsement. Trustee LaPlaca reminded the Board this item asks the Plan Commission to allow FAR to be waived, not the merits of process but an approval of FAR as an incentive. President Cauley feels these are related. Discussion followed regarding the approval process. Trustee Schultz moved **not to Refer to Plan Commission for Review and Consideration of a Text Amendment to Article III (Single-Family Residential Districts), Section 3-110 (Bulk, Space and Yard Requirements) of the Hinsdale Zoning Code, as it Relates to Eliminating the Maximum Floor Area Ratio for New Single-Family Residences that Receive Design Review Approval from the Design Review Commission.** There was no second to the motion on the floor. Trustee Angelo moved to **Refer to Plan Commission for Review and Consideration of a Text Amendment to Article III (Single-Family Residential Districts), Section 3-110 (Bulk, Space and Yard Requirements) of the Hinsdale Zoning Code, as it Relates to Eliminating the Maximum Floor Area Ratio for New Single-Family Residences that Receive Design Review Approval from the Design Review Commission.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion and noted that some communities have made this work and hopes the Plan Commission will contact them. Trustee LaPlaca commented that the Plan Commission should not revisit the standards and provisions in the document. Discussion followed on the Plan Commission's role in this process. Trustee Geoga noted that existing rules remain during a trial period and he sees this as a low risk matter. Trustee LaPlaca further noted that FAR is innocuous from the street, all other zoning regulations still apply.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga

**NAYS:** Trustee Schultz

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**Approve a Permit for Temporary Use at 120 S. Washington Street for the Period of 6/1/11 thru 12/31/11 Subject to any Conditions Set Forth by the Building Commissioner**

President Cauley stated this item relates to the temporary use of the former Schoens property to be used as a sales office for units at the Hamptons. It is his understanding that the code prohibits real estate agencies on the first floor in the central business district, however, the thinking of staff is this is a temporary use and as such would not require applicant to go thru the process. Mr. Cook explained that the conservative approach is to require Board approval. Mr. Matt Fiascone from Inland addressed the Board regarding signing the lease and explained that they would move the marketing operation back on site in November. Discussion followed regarding whether this is considered an accessory to the development or a permitted temporary use and therefore which section of the code is applicable. Mr. Cook explained that staff is relying on Section 9 of the code in this case and that Section 5 of the code does not apply because the sales office is not on site.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**OATH OF OFFICE AND SEATING OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

President Cauley thanked retiring Trustees Cindy Williams, who is the only Trustee to have served eight years on the Village Board and Bob Schultz for their hard work and service to the community. Trustee Williams thanked Village residents and stated it has been an honor to serve. She thanked her children for their understanding. She read a quotation from Winston Churchill about resiliency and determination. She wished the new Board good luck and God bless.

President Cauley administered the Oath of Office to Trustee J. Kimberley Angelo, Trustee-elect Christopher J. Elder and Trustee-elect William N. Haarlow.

## RECESS

Trustee Saigh **moved to take a five minute recess.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga, Schultz

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

## RECONVENE

President Cauley reconvened the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Deputy Clerk Bruton called the roll. Seated for the remainder of the meeting were President Tom Cauley, Trustees Christopher Elder, J. Kimberley Angelo, William Haarlow, Doug Geoga, Laura LaPlaca and Bob Saigh

## APPOINTMENTS

### Board Committees

President Cauley announced the Board Committee assignments. He also suggested that the new Board might want to discuss whether the current committee structure is appropriate moving forward.

### Village Clerk

President Cauley recommended the appointment of Deputy Clerk Christine Bruton as Village Clerk. Trustee Angelo **moved to approve the appointment of Christine Bruton to the position of Village Clerk.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

President Cauley administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Bruton.



## Zoning Board of Appeals

President Cauley recommended the following appointments: Ms. Debra Braselton to Chair of the ZBA for the remainder of her term, Mr. Bob Neiman as Vice-Chair for the remainder of his term and the new appointment of Mr. Rody Biggert for a full five-year term.

Trustee Haarlow moved to **approve the appointment of Ms. Debra Braselton to Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

Trustee Angelo moved to **approve the appointment of Mr. Robert Neiman to Vice-Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

Trustee Angelo moved to **approve the appointment of Mr. Rody Biggert to a five year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals.** Trustee Haarlow seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

## REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

### Economic Development Commission Update

Director of Economic Development Tim Scott reported participation in the Customer Appreciation event was up 40% over previous customer appreciation events. There has been positive feedback so far; EDC will follow up with a survey. Trustee LaPlaca confirmed that she has received positive feedback from residents.

## STAFF REPORTS

No reports.

## CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

## TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None.

## ADJOURNMENT

President Cauley stated there is no need for a Closed Session of the Village Board tonight. There being no further business before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Elder **moved to adjourn the meeting of May 3, 2011.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christine M. Bruton, Deputy Village Clerk