

**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012
MEMORIAL HALL
7:30 p.m.**

Present: Chairman Saigh, Trustee Angelo, Trustee Haarlow, Trustee Elder

Absent: None

Also Present: Michael Marrs, Village Attorney, Dave Cook, Village Manager, Robert McGinnis, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner, Brad Bloom, Police Chief, Rick Ronovsky, Fire Chief, Sean Gascoigne, Village Planner

Trustee Saigh called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes – February 2012

Trustee Elder moved to approve the minutes for the April 23, 2012 meeting as amended. Second by Trustee Angelo. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Reports – February and March 2012

Fire Department

Chief Ronovsky reported on the fire department activities for the month of April. There were 207 total incidents that the fire department responded to. Two calls of interest were presented. One of the calls was for a fire alarm activation on the Hospital campus and upon arrival, members found a small fire in the kitchen in a 3rd floor apartment. Fire was put out by security personnel prior to FD arrival. Members cleared smoke from the floor and treated two for smoke inhalation – one was transported to the hospital. Second call was for a fire alarm at 21 Spinning Wheel Road. Upon arrival, members found the sprinkler system extinguished a kitchen fire on the 11th floor. Members checked for fire extension and check occupants of the unit for injuries. Damage estimated at \$5000.

Chief Ronovsky reported that for the 2nd year in a row the Fire Department received an award for excellence from the Good Samaritan EMS System. This award was for care and transportation to a participant in the 4th of July parade who collapsed and was resuscitated.

Police Department

Chief Bloom discussed that the installation of four quadrant railroad gates was completed earlier in the day. The new gates are equipped with motion sensors that prevent a vehicle from being stuck on the grade crossing. Chief Bloom stated that these are first four quadrant gates to be installed on the Burlington Northern Santa Fe line north of I-80 and are largely due to the work of Hinsdale resident Lanny Wilson who has worked to improve railroad crossing safety in the Chicagoland region.

Chief Bloom asked if the Committee had any questions on the monthly report. Trustee Elder asked who precipitated a complaint of underage alcohol sales at one of the Village license holders. Chief Bloom discussed the process.

Community Development

Robert McGinnis discussed permit and inspectional activity for the month and mentioned the status on several commercial projects currently under construction. Trustee Haarlow asked about the status of a problem property and Robert McGinnis stated that the department was aware of the problem and working with the owner on getting the house demolished.

Referral to Plan Commission

Recommend Application be Referred to the Plan Commission for Review and Consideration of a Text Amendment to Section 5-105C, to Allow Fitness Facilities as Special Uses in the B-1 District

Chairman Saigh introduced this item and Kathleen Keating described the request of behalf of her client. She stated that the request was based primarily on a change in her client’s business model, and that the use would be more appropriate at the 777 N. York Rd location than their present location given that the business was more personal training than sales of equipment. A motion was made by Trustee Elder to Recommend Application be Referred to the Plan Commission for Review and Consideration of a Text Amendment to Section 5-105C, to Allow Fitness Facilities as Special Uses in the B-1 District. Second by Trustee Angelo. Motion passed unanimously.

Request for Board Action

Recommend Awarding the Contract for the Purchase of one 2012 Type 1 Modular Ambulance in the amount of \$189,357

Chairman Saigh introduced this item and summarized the request. Trustee Angelo made a motion to Recommend Awarding the Contract for the Purchase of one 2012 Type 1 Modular Ambulance in the amount of \$189,357. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Members voted unanimously to approve the recommendation to purchase a new ambulance from Foster Coach/Medtec as the lowest responsible bidder.

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Recommend Purchasing a Power Pro Ambulance Cot from the Stryker EMSEMP Corporation in the Amount of \$13,122

Chairman Saigh also introduced this item and summarized the request. Trustee Angelo made a motion to Recommend Purchasing a Power Pro Ambulance Cot from the Stryker EMSEMP Corporation in the Amount of \$13,122. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Members voted unanimously to approve the recommendation to purchase a new stretcher from Stryker EMS.

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Approve an Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for Live Entertainment, a Design Review Permit and Site Plan and Exterior Appearance Plan for Façade Changes for the Property Located at 777 N. York Road

Chairman Saigh introduced this item and summarized the request and the vote taken at Plan Commission. He then introduced Frank Fox who gave background on the family business and the request being considered.

Sean Gascoigne clarified some of the differences between a carry out restaurant, a restaurant with carry out service and a restaurant with no carry out component vs. a drive up a drive through and the requirements of each as set forth in the code.

Frank Fox provided some of the numbers that are posted in his other locations to give the Committee members some basis for how business is done and what kinds of traffic is generated in their other locations.

Sean Gascoigne stated that the subject of live entertainment was discussed in detail at Plan Commission.

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Chairman Saigh discussed the concern of whether proper public notice was provided. He stated that the Village Manager had confirmed that proper notice was given. This was echoed by Sean Gascoigne.

Roger Howell introduced himself and summarized the concerns of the neighborhood. The primary concerns seemed to be focused on traffic and noise.

Andrew London spoke to the Committee and echoed concerns of traffic being generated by the use.

Frank Fox detailed traffic routing in their other locations and how it would likely be handled in Hinsdale.

Chairman Saigh asked if screening would make the traffic more tolerable. Roger Howell stated that it would likely not make any difference in the amount of noise that would be generated.

Jennifer London asked for clarification on how the carryout portion of the business would function. She stated that her concern was that unless conditions were made part of the approval, that enforcement would likely become a problem.

Fran Lucente spoke and stated that her concerns were primarily based on traffic routing. She stated that she did not feel that this shopping center was large enough for this business and that other locations would be more appropriate.

There were comments on cut through traffic on Fuller Road and the speed at which they travel.

Trustee Elder asked about traffic routing around the building and whether this was something that was required. Tim Scott stated that regardless of the direction flow, it would be in one direction only.

Trustee Haarlow stated that the traffic that will be generated along the north side of the building is untenable and could not see any way he support routing traffic to the south along the backs of the properties to the east and south side. He stated that there is no way to enforce provisions on a temporary or trial basis. He mentioned that this property was within the Graue Mill Overlay District and that he did not want to see those standards watered down

Trustee Angelo stated that he felt there was consensus on the music issue. He stated that given the volume likely to be generated at this location, that he could not see changing the entire geometry of the parking lot with respect to routing.

Trustee Elder stated that he would be willing to allow the delivery drivers to use the north side of the building provided that they did not drive around the building.

Chairman Saigh stated that he walked the property and was impressed with the existing traffic volume and aware of the problems in this area. He stated that he was troubled by the drive through and agreed that screening would not be adequate. He added that he and his family were fans of Foxes and felt that this would be a good fit and an anchor for this location.

The Trustees agreed that given the concerns from the neighbors that conditions would need to be made part of the approval.

The request was forwarded to the Board of Trustees with no recommendation.

Discussion Items

DAS Antenna Regulations

Village Attorney Michael Marrs gave an update a summarized the requirements contained within the draft DAS ordinance.

There was discussion on the notice requirements contained in the ordinance and how that notice should be given. Members agreed that the mailing requirements be set at 250' and be certified for consistencies' sake.

Members of AT&T were in attendance and stated that they were just talking notes and that their attorneys would draft a response.

Michael Marrs noted suggested changes and stated that he would forward the revisions to staff to work on an application and return to Committee once the changes were incorporated within the draft ordinance.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Saigh asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Elder made the motion. Second by Trustee Angelo. Meeting adjourned at 9:46PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McGinnis, MCP
Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner