

**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2012
MEMORIAL HALL
7:30 p.m.**

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

Absent: None

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

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

Minutes – August 2012

Trustee Elder moved to approve the minutes for the August 27, 2012 meeting as amended. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

Monthly Reports – August 2012

Fire Department

Chief Ronovsky reported that there were 224 calls for service in August with a year to date total of 1672 calls.

Both new Firefighters – Nick McDonough and Mike Wilson completed their initial training and have been assigned to shift. Their probationary training continues now that they are assigned to shift. All shifts are now fully staffed. During August, our members responded to assist Riverside, Elmhurst, and Clarendon Hills with personnel and equipment to extinguish structure fire in their communities. There was a fire incident in Hinsdale on the 0-100 block of Bruner where a resident reported smoke coming from a neighbor's home. Upon arrival, fire fighters found an exterior central air conditioner on fire. Fire was quickly put out and the home was ventilated and checked for hazards. Damage was minimal.

Chief Ronovsky mentioned that the annual Police and Fire Open House will be on Saturday, October 13th from 11am to 3pm.

Chairman Saigh commented on an ambulance call for an injured child who was transported to Good Samaritan Hospital on August 20th with a head injury.

Police Department

Chief Bloom reminded the Committee of the upcoming community meeting on police consolidation that is scheduled for September 27, 2012, 7:00pm at Hinsdale Central. Chief Bloom also announced that he is working with the Village Attorney to develop a distracted driving ordinance that he hopes to bring to the ZPS Committee in October.

Community Development

Robert McGinnis commented on departmental activity for August noting that revenues for the month were just over \$150,000 due to the timing of 7 permits for new single family homes being issued during the month. He also noted that the department issued 116 permits and conducted 358 inspections in August.

He noted that plan review turnaround was running about 4 weeks and inspection requests were running about 3 days.

He noted that the hospital had submitted plans for an almost \$500,000 renovation, that 11 occupancy permits had been issued to date at the Hamptons of Hinsdale project, and that the Eden's project at 10 N. Washington would likely be ready for final inspections in late October.

Request for Board Action

Approve Awarding Marque Ambulance, the Lowest Responsible Bidder, The Contract for the Purchase of One Type I Modular Ambulance in the Amount of \$190,925

Chairman Saigh introduced the item and Chief Ronovsky explained that the Fire Department went back to bid for the purchase of a replacement ambulance in the Fire Department. The previous vendor notified our Village that they were closing their ambulance building division. Bids were available from August 16th to September 7th. They were opened on September 7th with four bids being returned. Fire Department members reviewed the bids and recommended that the Village purchase a 2013 Marque ambulance from Foster Coach for \$190,925. Marque was the second lowest bidder. Trustee Haarlow asked about the lowest bidder, Lifeline Ambulances. They did not meet our specifications. Trustee Elder made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit to Operate a Dance Studio at 414 Chestnut Street

Chairman Saigh introduced the item and asked Sean Gascoigne to provide a summary of the request. Sean Gascoigne stated that this was unanimously approved at Plan Commission with the addition of a 3' high knee wall to be constructed at the southeast corner of the building. Trustee Angelo made a motion to approve an Ordinance approving a Special Use Permit to Operate a Dance Studio at 414 Chestnut Street. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for Modifications to a Commercial Building at 29 E. First Street

Chairman Saigh introduced the item and the applicant, Peter Burdi gave the background. Sean Gascoigne explained that this was unanimously approved at Plan Commission. Trustee Elder made a motion to approve an Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for Modifications to a Commercial Building at 29 E. First Street. Second by Trustee Angelo. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve a Permit for a Temporary Use at 50 S. Garfield Street for the period 12/15/12 thru 3/15/13 Subject to any Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building Commissioner

Chairman Saigh introduced this item and asked the applicant, Doug Fuller, to speak on the request. Doug Fuller explained the request and stated that the tent was worth erecting last year but that the funds to erect a permanent structure at the site were just not there this year and that whatever they built there had to look really good. He stated that they were discussing this amongst themselves, but were asking for another season with the tent in the meantime.

There was discussion over the dates requested and whether they would meet their needs and the request was amended to December 1, 2012.

Chairman Saigh asked for a motion to approve the request. Trustee Elder made a motion to approve a Permit for a Temporary Use at 50 S. Garfield Street for the period 12/15/12 thru 3/15/13 Subject to any Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building Commissioner. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve a Permit for a Temporary Use for a Parking Lot at the Corner of Hillgrove and County Line Road for the period of 9/25/12 thru 1/11/13

Chairman Saigh introduced this item and asked if anyone was present to speak on the request. John George spoke on behalf of the hospital. He gave brief background on the request and explained that they were asking to use the temporary parking lot originally used for the construction of the addition until they were able to move forward with an application for a Major Adjustment of a Planned Development for the parking lot and some gates in front of the old main entrance on Oak Street.

Mr. George explained that their desire was to keep the temporary lot and bring it up to code and to use it for their employees. He stated that they had not increased the number of employees, but are trying to keep the cars, which are presently being parked offsite, onsite in this lot. He stated that they are presently using a church parking lot and leasing spacing from the Village on Symonds Drive for overflow parking for their employees.

Mr. George stated that the parking lot would be approximately 50 spaces and would be operated by key card and that a parking study would be done in conjunction with the Major Adjustment. He stated that they felt that this location was idea for this use due to the fact that it was buffered from residential areas by the hospital property, the tracks to the south and another parking lot across the street.

Trustee Angelo stated that without a traffic study or any supporting documentation, that he would not be able to support this request.

Mr. Gable explained that they were simply relocating existing employee vehicles already being parked in this area, but that a parking study would accompany their application for the major adjustment.

Ben Bradley spoke in opposition to the request due to the concern over increased traffic. He stated that he had signatures from neighbors concerned about this as well.

Trustee Haarlow asked why this parking problem was not anticipated when the addition was being designed. Mr. Gable responded and that they were depending on others property to park their employee vehicles, but did not think that was a good long term solution.

Trustee Angelo asked if the hospital had any future vision other than a parking lot for this location. Mr. Gable responded that there was not.

Mr. Gable apologized for the fact that this parking lot was being used prior to a formal approval being obtained.

There was discussion amongst the Trustees over the request and their concerns in approving it without a compelling reason and appropriate supporting documentation.

Chairman Saigh asked for a motion. Trustee Elder made a motion to approve a Permit for a Temporary Use for a Parking Lot at the Corner of Hillgrove and County Line Road for the period of 9/25/12 thru 1/11/13. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion to approve unanimously denied.

Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for Parking Lot Improvements at 620 N. Oak Street

Chairman Saigh introduced the item and summarized the request. He stated that this was unanimously approved at Plan Commission with conditions, went over those with the committee members, and asked for a motion. Trustee Elder made a motion to approve an Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for Parking Lot Improvements at 620 N. Oak Street. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

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 8:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McGinnis, MCP
Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner