

**MINUTES
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2013
MEMORIAL HALL
7:30 p.m.**

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Dave Cook, Village Manager, Robert McGinnis, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner, Bradley Bloom, Police Chief, Rick Ronovsky, Fire Chief, Sean Gascoigne, Village Planner, and Tim Scott, Director of Economic Development.

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

Minutes – May 2013

Trustee Elder moved to approve the minutes as amended for the May 20, 2013 meeting. Second by Trustee Angelo. Motion passed 3-1 abstention.

Monthly Reports – May 2013

Fire Department

Chief Ronovsky reported that the Fire Department responded to a total of 214 requests for service in May with the year to date total of 1040 incidents. This compares to last year when through May there were a total of 995 incidents.

Chief Ronovsky reported that the new Village ambulance has arrived and members are now finishing placing the unit in service and training on its operation. This vehicle shall be in service by the end of this month.

Trustee Haarlow asked what the Chief felt the increase in the number of “emergency” type incidents from last year could be attributed to. Chief Ronovsky advised that he felt that this year there have been more days in which severe weather moves through the area causing the Department to requests to check on hazardous conditions caused by those storm.

Police Department

Chief Bloom presented the May monthly report and offered to answer any of the Committees questions.

Community Development

Robert McGinnis noted that the department issued 92 permits for the month of May, including 2 demolition permits, 2 permits for new single family homes, conducted just shy of 400 inspections, and posted permit revenue of just under \$125,000.

Referral to Plan Commission

Recommend a Map Amendment for 201 and 205 S. Vine – Zion Lutheran Church be Referred to the Plan Commission for Review and Consideration.

Chairman Saigh introduced the item, gave some brief background on the case, and asked the Petitioner to speak on the item.

Keith Larson spoke on behalf of the Church Board and summarized the request. He explained that the request is to sell off the two single family homes contained within the Planned Development, as the church no longer needed them and did not particularly want to be in the rental business. He added that the changes being requested will result in no visual differences at the site if approved and will return the two residential properties to the tax role.

Chairman Saigh added that the request going to the Plan Commission was for the Map Amendment at this point, but that the overall request consisted of a Major Adjustment to the Planned Development as well as a re-subdivision of one of the underlying residential lots to be considered by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Elder asked if there was any problem with the Village Board approving the request prior to the Plan Commission approving the Map Amendment. Sean Gascoigne stated that it was not a problem but that the Committee could always approve the request contingent upon the request being approved by the Plan Commission if there were concerns.

Trustee Angelo then made a motion to recommend that the Board of Trustees that a Map Amendment for 201 and 205 S. Vine- Zion Lutheran Church, be referred to the Plan Commission for review and consideration. Second by Trustee Elder. Motion passed unanimously.

Request for Board Action

Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Approving a Major Adjustment to a Planned Development at 116-212 S. Grant Street and 125-209 S. Vine – Zion Lutheran Church.

Trustee Angelo made a motion to recommend Approval of an Ordinance Approving a Major Adjustment to a Planned Development at 116-212 S. Grant Street and 125-209 S. Vine – Zion Lutheran Church Second by Trustee Elder. Motion passed unanimously.

Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Approving a Major Adjustment to a Planned Development for a New Directional Sign at 120 N. Oak Street – Adventist Hinsdale Hospital.

Chairman Saigh introduced the item and asked if there was anyone present to speak on the request. Jim Today of Adventist Hinsdale Hospital provided details on the request and explained that it was being driven by the fact that even amidst all of the efforts being made to redirect patients to the new main entrance at the Patient Pavilion; it appears that people are still struggling. It was noted that the new sign is the same size and setback as the old sign.

Trustee Elder made a motion to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Approving a Major Adjustment to a Planned Development for a New Directional Sign at 120 N. Oak Street – Adventist Hinsdale Hospital. Second by Trustee Haarlow. Motion passed unanimously.

Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting the DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan as an Official Plan of the Village of Hinsdale.

Chairman Saigh introduced the item stating that last fall the Village Emergency Managers began the process of updating this required Plan with DuPage County officials. After completing the work and getting the necessary approvals from FEMA, the Village is required to formally this Plan.

Trustee Haarlow made a motion to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting the DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Second by Trustee Elder. Motion passed unanimously.

Recommend Approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Clarendon Hills, Downers Grove, Hinsdale, Westmont, Willow Springs, the Tri State Fire District and DuPage Public Safety Communications for the Southeast DuPage County communications and Radio Network.

Chairman Saigh introduced the item stating that as part of changing our dispatch services we became part of the Southeast DuPage County Radio Network comprising of the Villages of Hinsdale, Clarendon Hills, Downers Grove, Westmont, and Willow Springs and the Tri State Fire District and DuPage Public Safety Communications. Over the past year this system has been upgraded and improved to provide better coverage and communications. The upgrades did not cost the Village. Now that this is complete, the Village needs to formally adopt the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Trustee Elder made a motion to Recommend Approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Clarendon Hills, Downers Grove, Hinsdale, Westmont, Willow Springs and the Tri State Fire District and DuPage Public Safety Communications for the Southeast DuPage County Communications and Radio Network. Second by Trustee Angelo. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

Streetscape Options for the West Side of Washington Street from First Street to Second Street.

Tim Scott explained the various options available in the way of bollards that could be installed in front of the buildings on the west side of Washington that would ideally serve as both a visual queue as well as offering some method of impact protection in the event that a vehicle jumped the curb again. The options varied from simple cast iron bollards to masonry planters.

Chairman Saigh asked if a meter and meter post at the head of each space might suffice for now to serve as primarily a visual queue with a more heavy handed approach being used later if needed might be a good first step.

Trustee Angelo and Trustee Haarlow both agreed that the lowest cost option “A” be pursued first as this was the simplest and most cost effective solution. They both stated that they wanted to see the least obtrusive options tried first and that the bollards should not be painted in bright orange or red.

Tim Scott stated that he would pursue bids based on this direction.

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 Haarlow. Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert McGinnis, MCP
Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner