

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE  
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
June 1, 2010**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Tom Cauley in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees J. Kimberley Angelo, Bob Saigh, Laura LaPlaca, Cindy Williams, Doug Geoga and Bob Schultz

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Attorney Ken Florey, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Finance Darrell Langlois, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Village Planner Sean Gascoigne, and Deputy Village Clerk Christine Bruton

Also Present: Amy Deis representing The Doings, Pam Lannom with The Hinsdalean and Don Grigus from the Suburban Life

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Saigh recommended a change to the text regarding the EDC report. Trustee LaPlaca moved **to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2010, as amended.** Trustee Angelo seconded the motion.

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

**CITIZENS' PETITIONS**

**Debra Lazar Pearl, 108 N. Garfield** gave a power point presentation regarding light pollution to the Board because she saw in the revised Zoning Code a reference to the level of permissible light, which she believes is too high. She is on the board of the Illinois Coalition for Responsible Outdoor Lighting and believes, as they recommend, that the Trustees need to evaluate where, when and how much light is needed. She

provided handouts from other organizations, explained various aspects of outdoor lighting and described energy saving measures taken by a California community. She recommended the Village of Hinsdale examine the efficiency of the lights installed in Hinsdale.

## VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

## CONSENT AGENDA

President Cauley read the consent agenda as follows:

### Items Recommended by Environment & Public Services Committee

Item A: **Award the 2010 Various Street Resurfacing Project to Central Blacktop Co., Inc. in the Amount of \$793,213.00** (Omnibus vote)

Item B: **Approval of the Commercial Use of Sidewalk Permit for 8 East First Street** (Omnibus vote)

Trustee Schultz moved **to approve the Consent Agenda as presented**. Trustee LaPlaca 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 Geoga moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the period of May 15, 2010 through May 28, 2010 in the aggregate amount of \$703,463.19 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.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES**

No report.

## **ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

No report.

## **REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

### **Economic Development Commission Update**

No report.

### **Zoning Code Rewrite Task Force**

#### **Resolution Referring Proposed Amendments to the Existing Hinsdale Zoning Code which Provide for the Reorganization and Recodification of the Zoning Code to the Plan Commission for Public Hearing**

President Cauley began discussion by stating that the zoning code before the Board tonight was prepared by a consultant hired by a previous Board; review of the document is problematic because you can't tell what has changed from the old code. There are helpful technical changes in this new document, but also a fair number of broad substantive changes, some of which he identified, but expressed concern that there are others. He suggested going back, with the help of staff, to show what changes were made. He asked for a black line version, and recommends the Board start with technical changes and address the substantive changes one at a time. Trustee Saigh wondered about prioritization and the burden on staff. Trustee Schultz commented that we have lost Camiros because of budgetary concerns, but thinks this approach is irresponsible at this point because the project will be derailed and result in lots of wasted money. Discussion followed regarding what direction was given Camiros and how to proceed with the technical versus the substantive changes. Trustee Angelo believes the referral is premature; he thinks residents will be unavailable in the summer for input, the Board has not had enough time to read and digest the document and a cursory reading shows substantive changes. Trustee LaPlaca is concerned that some of the changes may be broader than they appear, when the Board refers this to the Plan Commission there should be implicit direction from the Board. Further, how much came from residents and how much from the consultant. Trustee Williams commented that there had been a lot of debate about this being a tweek or a rewrite and she agrees this document is not useful for referring. However, she thinks it would be more efficient for the experts to outline the changes made as opposed to staff. President Cauley asked Village Planner Sean Gascoigne if he can do this, to which Mr. Gascoigne replied that he would be concerned about the time required for such a process.

Mr. Jeff Finlay, member of the Zoning Code Rewrite Task Force addressed the Board, stating that he feels the Plan Commission is equipped to handle this referral. By way of background, he explained that in Fall 2007, the task force was established with five people, who together have over 40 years of experience. They went thru each section of the existing code to look for conflicts, and to rewrite to provide clarity and ease of use. They also reviewed the municipal code. He summarized the problems with the current code that creates conflict with applicants, staff and the Board. The many lawsuits over the years give evidence to the problems. The task force maintained the intent of the original code and the draft is an improvement over the existing code. President Cauley stated that he doesn't want the work lost, but wants to know what the changes are. Trustee Schultz urged the Board to let Camiros finish the project, but Trustee Geoga commented that Camiros did not follow the Board's directive. Discussion followed. The Zoning Task Force went thru the first draft, said Mr. Finlay, and he has a list of their findings. The Board suggested going back to the first draft, but Mr. Finlay cautioned them that there is a lot of fine work in this final draft that shouldn't be lost. He also noted that a legal opinion would need to be rendered on the legal language. He stated that the task force had good input and participation from residents and he is confident residents would like it to proceed. He believes much of this can be vetted at the Plan Commission, chapter by chapter, as appropriate. Discussion followed regarding how to forward it to the Plan Commission; whether by article or by subject. Trustee Geoga said if we can identify the non-controversial, technical items we can move it forward and it won't be held hostage by the controversial items. Mr. Finlay recommended it be forwarded chapter by chapter, and Trustee LaPlaca agreed it should be done in the order of the new code, as it is clear and very well organized. Further, as there is no particular urgency to adopt the new code, why not address it a logical order. Trustee Schultz agrees it should be reviewed in the order presented, perhaps multiple sections if they appear to be non-controversial or non-substantive. Procedural matters were discussed and it was determined that even though the Plan Commission would review the code in sections, it would be approved and adopted by the Board in its entirety; a delayed effective date, interjected Attorney Florey. The chapters forwarded to the Plan Commission will be those of the final draft before the Board tonight, however, Mr. Finlay said he and staff will have noted the changes in the draft whether they be technical or substantive and any background information available.

Trustee Schultz moved to table the matter until the next Board meeting when the matter can be forwarded on a section by section basis. Attorney Florey advised that the matter can be tabled to a date certain or in general till it's ready to be presented or on a meeting to meeting basis with a status report. Trustee Schultz amended his motion and moved **to table the Resolution Referring Proposed Amendments to the Existing Hinsdale Zoning Code which Provide for the Reorganization and Recodification of the Zoning Code to the Plan Commission for Public Hearing until it is ready to be forwarded on a section by section basis.** Trustee Williams seconded the motion. Trustee Saigh would like this matter to appear on Board agendas as a standard item, much like the Economic Development Commission report, to demonstrate to the public that the Board is serious about this

endeavor. President Cauley agreed and recommended a 'Zoning Code Rewrite Status', Mr. Florey confirmed it would be an item much as it was listed on tonight's agenda. Mr. Finlay reiterated his concern regarding the legal language of the document and President Cauley stated that Attorney Florey would look at this and he thanked Mr. Finlay for his help.

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

None.

### **CITIZENS' PETITIONS**

None.

### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Village Board of Trustees, and no need for a Closed Session, Trustee Saigh **moved to adjourn the meeting of May 18, 2010.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

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

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

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