

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
November 2, 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, November 2, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Absent: Trustee Bob Schultz

Also Present: Village Attorney Ken Florey, Village Manager Dave Cook, Assistant Village Manager Darrell Langlois, Police Chief Brad Bloom, Fire Chief Mike Kelly, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Director of Economic Development Tim Scott and Deputy Village Clerk Christine Bruton

Also Present: Ken Knudson-The Hinsdalean, Don Grigus-Suburban Life, Chuck Fieldman – The Doings

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Cauley asked for changes to the language of the minutes regarding the Ordinance Amending Hinsdale Zoning Code to give the Board of Trustees Authority to Grant Certain Variations as it relates to FAR. Trustee Angelo moved **to approve the minutes of the Meeting of October 19, 2010, as amended.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Cauley read the Consent Agenda as follows removing Items B and C for separate discussion. The item that was Item G regarding Holiday Parking was previously removed from the Consent Agenda upon revision of the Board Agenda and will also be addressed separately.

Items Recommended by Zoning & Public Safety Committee

Item A: **Ordinance to Declare Certain Personal Property of the Village of Hinsdale as Surplus and Sold at Public Auction** (Omnibus vote)

Item B: **Ordinance Authorizing a Variation from Subsections 3-110(E) and (F) for the Construction of an Attached Garage at 409 W. Walnut Street** (Item taken separately)

Item C: **Refer to the Plan Commission for Review and Consideration a Text Amendment to Section 6-106 to Allow Certain Uses in the O-2 Limited Office District as Special Uses** (Item taken separately)

Item D: **Approve an Extension through 2/20/2011 for a Temporary Use Permit at 722-728 N. York Road** (Omnibus vote)

Items Recommended by Administration & Community Affairs Committee

Item E: **Approve the Construction of an Ice Rink and Supply Water for the 2010-11 Winter Season at Melin Park by the residents of Hinsdale** (Omnibus vote)

Item F: **Award Bid #1477 for KLM Cleaning and Set-up to ABC Commercial for one year with the option to renew for two additional years** (Omnibus vote)

Item G: **Approve Purchase of five (5) 2011 Ford Explorers with Federal Drug Seizure funds for a cost not to exceed \$122,577.75 from Currie Motors of Frankfort under the terms of the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative** (Omnibus vote)

Item H: **Refer a Text Amendment that would enable staff to Approve Code-compliant Signage and that would Permit Projecting Signs for First Floor Businesses** (Omnibus vote)

Item I: **Resolution Determining Amounts of Money to be Raised through Ad Valorem Property Taxes** (Omnibus vote)

Trustee Saigh asked for clarification of a date referenced in Item D. Trustee Williams **moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

Ordinance Authorizing a Variation from Subsections 3-110(E) and (F) for the Construction of an Attached Garage at 409 W. Walnut Street

President Cauley explained that the ordinance was modified slightly by the addition of the specific language about displaced water as found in the ZBA recommendation. Trustee Geoga moved to approve an **Ordinance Authorizing a Variation from Subsections 3-110(E) and (F) for the Construction of an Attached Garage at 409 W. Walnut Street.** Trustee Williams seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

Refer to the Plan Commission for Review and Consideration a Text Amendment to Section 6-106 to Allow Certain Uses in the O-2 Limited Office District as Special Uses

President Cauley introduced the item and pointed out that this text amendment would allow additional uses in the O-2 beyond the proposed dry cleaner. He invited Mr. Ken Brockman, the owner of the property in question to address the Board. Trustee LaPlaca asked if staff decided not to rezone the property. Director of Community Development Robert McGinnis acknowledged that a map amendment would be cleaner, but after a conversation with the Village Attorney, it was his understanding that this was not an option because it would create a legal non-conforming property. Village Attorney Florey explained that it would be possible if the applicant were to make an application for variation to the ZBA. The map amendment and the variation would have to be simultaneously approved, thereby making the special use property specific. President Cauley expressed concern with changing the O-2 classification to satisfy the needs of one person. Trustee Saigh

provided historical information which resulted in the problem building at 111 S. Lincoln and feels this appears to be creating a similar problem. Discussion followed on how to best proceed. Mr. Brockman pointed out that there have always been three retail businesses at that location and they were there before Gateway Square and the gas station. Trustee LaPlaca moved **to refer the matter to the Plan Commission for a map amendment for this parcel to be rezoned to the B-1 zoning classification, conditioned upon a variance granted to the subject property by the Zoning Board of Appeals.** Trustee Williams seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

**Approve Free Holiday Parking
Per the Request of the Chamber of Commerce**

President Cauley introduced the item explaining the financial impact of the Chamber request as presented could result in \$15,000 of lost revenue for the month of December, but only \$3,200 if only four Saturdays are 'free', as has been past practice. Chief Bloom interjected that the \$15,000 does not include officer time or another \$5,200 in fines. He further stated that the purpose of meters is to rotate parking spaces. Trustee Geoga commented that we all want to support the merchants, but it is unknown what the impact of a quarter in a meter might be relative to whether or not to shop in town, there is no real evidence of the value to the merchants. The magnitude of the lost revenue is too much at this time. However, he doesn't want to send a signal to merchants or the Chamber that the Board does not care and therefore would be in support of proceeding with past practice. Discussion by the Board which included Ms. Jan Anderson, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, followed regarding the concerns of the Board as well as Chief Bloom's believe that the meter system contributes to needed turnover in the CBD. Trustee LaPlaca suggested making all Saturdays and the week before Christmas free days; she would like to do more than has been done in the past. This would result in approximately a \$6,000.00 revenue loss. Trustee Williams stated that she is in favor of approving the Chamber's request for the entire month of December and that it is the duty of the Board to the merchants to do more. She believes the notion that we need to rotate spots should be tested, this could be viewed as a one month pilot program that would give merchants an opportunity to capitalize on the holiday season. She would, however, support Trustee LaPlaca's revised idea. Trustee Geoga expressed concern as to whether

proceeding in the way Trustee Williams is advocating furthers the Boards objectives of fiscal responsibility as well as support of the Chamber. Discussion followed. Ms. Anderson responded to a question from Trustee Saigh that she has no information at this time as to whether or not merchants plan on extending their Christmas hours.

Trustee LaPlaca moved **approval of meter and two-hour enforcement amnesty for the four weekends before Christmas and the week of Christmas, a total of nine days.** Trustee Williams seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Angelo, LaPlaca, Williams
NAYS: Trustees Saigh, Geoga and President Cauley
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion failed.

Trustee Geoga moved **approval of meter and two-hour enforcement amnesty for the four weekends before Christmas.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Accounts Payable

Trustee Williams moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the Period of October 16, 2010 through October 29, 2010 in the aggregate amount of \$766,641.42 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk.** Trustee Geoga seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Williams, Geoga
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Schultz

Motion carried.

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES

No report.

ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY

No report.

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Mr. John Karstrand, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission, reported to the Board that holiday plans are well under way and include the cookie factory on Saturdays, carriage rides through the Village and holiday lighting.

STAFF REPORTS

Village Manager Cook reported that very early election returns are in for Cook County and are positive for the referendum.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee LaPlaca remarked relative to signage in downtown Hinsdale, that Zinglemans has always had a lot of signs, they make the windows seem boarded up and black and are very unattractive and unsightly. She wondered if steps could be taken to remedy the problem.

Trustee Saigh commended President Cauley, Trustee Geoga, other members of Board and staff for their work on the sales tax referendum, many volunteer hours were expended in the effort. He also commented that the construction work on Lincoln at the railroad tracks looks like a significant improvement noting that there is a lot of heavy equipment on the sidewalk which could cause damage. Mr. Cook responded that if there is damage, the Village will pursue repairs, but historically BNSF has always been good about restoration.

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 October 19, 2010.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Angelo, Saigh, LaPlaca, Geoga

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustees Williams and Schultz

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Deputy Village Clerk