

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE  
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
March 17, 2015**

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, March 17, 2015 at 7:35 p.m.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees Christopher Elder, J. Kimberley Angelo, William Haarlow, Laura LaPlaca and Bob Saigh

Absent: Gerald J. Hughes

Also Present: Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano, Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois, Police Chief Brad Bloom, Fire Chief Rick Ronovsky, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Village Engineer Dan Deeter, Director of Economic Development & Urban Design Tim Scott, Director of Parks & Recreation Gina Hassett, Director of Public Services George Peluso, Village Planner Chan Yu, Management Analyst Suzanne Ostrovsky and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board agreed to suggested changes to the draft minutes. Trustee Elder moved to **approve the draft minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of March 3, 2015, as amended.** Trustee Angelo seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

**CITIZENS' PETITIONS**

None.

**VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Cauley noted an item from Chief Bloom's police report regarding the rising use of heroin in DuPage County. Chief Bloom confirmed heroin use is reaching epidemic proportions. Heroin use results in deaths, and officers now carry a nasal spray that can reverse the effects of an overdose and save a life, if used in time. President Cauley wants residents and parents to be aware that this problem exists in Hinsdale, too.

## **FIRST READINGS**

### **Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)**

#### **Approve the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce's 2015 Event Schedule, Display of Banners, Street Closures and Customary In-kind Services**

President Cauley introduced the item noting this is the same request as approved by the Board last year. Trustee LaPlaca asked Director of Economic Development Tim Scott about the Christmas Walk dates. Mr. Scott replied the Chamber may be open to revisiting the matter and he would be happy to bring it to the Chamber Board. Trustee Haarlow noted they are asking for additional display of vinyl banners around town. He stated we cleaned up Burlington by installing poster display cases and he would like to see vinyl used with restraint. Mr. Scott said he would bring these comments back to the Chamber, too.

The Board agreed to move this item to the Consent Agenda at their next meeting.

### **Environment & Public Services (Chair LaPlaca)**

#### **Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipalities under the Illinois Highway Code (for the 50/50 Sidewalk Program)**

President Cauley introduced the item and described the policy for the sidewalk replacement program; this resolution would provide approval for next year. Trustee Saigh noted a language error in the document regarding the deadline for responses; but also noted that this program can be beneficial and urged residents to take a look at their sidewalks, especially as the winters have been harsh. President Cauley asked if the 1/2" inch trip gap is the only measurement to determine replacement. Village Engineer Dan Deeter said that is the ADA standard and the only standard for Village participation. However, a resident can replace any sidewalk they find unattractive at their own expense. It was noted that \$85,000 has been allocated for this project and President Cauley suggested we consider adding deteriorated sidewalks. The Board agreed to this; sidewalks would be replaced on a first come, first served basis, with a budget cap of \$85,000. Trustee LaPlaca commented that Mr. Deeter can use his judgment as to which sidewalks would qualify.

The Board agreed to make these modifications and to move this item forward for a second reading.

### **Zoning & Public Safety (Chair Saigh)**

**Ordinance Approving a Building Coverage Variation for the Single Family Residence Located in the R-4 Single Family Zoning District at 312 Phillipa Zoning Board of Appeals Case V-09-14**

President Cauley explained that this matter has been heard by the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), but in the case of maximum building coverage, they only make a recommendation to the Village Board for approval. This particular matter involves a property with a one-car garage; the homeowners need relief to construct a detached two-car garage. President Cauley explained that ZBA Chair Bob Nieman had thoroughly outlined to him the necessary criteria for ZBA approval and how each of those criteria was met by this applicant. It was also noted that none of the neighbors to this property had registered any complaint about the proposed garage. Mr. Matt Kline, attorney for the homeowner, addressed the Board stating, in fact, there had been three letters of support from neighbors.

President Cauley asked for a more fulsome record of ZBA deliberations. Director of Community Development Robb McGinnis noted the court reporter will now stay for deliberation.

The Board agreed to move this matter forward for a Second Reading at their next meeting.

**Approval of a request for an Extension of time as set forth in Section 11-503K of the Zoning Code for 330 Chestnut Street - Zoning Board of Appeals Case V-01-14**

President Cauley introduced the item stating the property owner is asking for an extension of time as their permit is running out.

Mr. David Habiger, property owner, addressed the Board. He explained that he is not a developer, but a resident who wants to improve and unsightly piece of property in town. He noted the building and the site are challenging, and as a result there are unexpected zoning and engineering issues. He noted ADA issues, and the conflicting State and Federal regulations with respect to fire codes. He stated they are in the final stage of working through the issues and hope to break ground in mid-April. Mr. McGinnis confirmed concern that the exhibit approved by Plan Commission is different now because of changes made to meet the fire and ADA codes. President Cauley cautioned that we keep control of what is changed, but stated he would like to see the building built. Mr. Habiger confirmed that a 90-day extension should be sufficient.

The Board agreed to move this matter forward for a Second Reading at their next meeting.

**Administration & Community Affairs**

**Accounts Payable**

Trustee Angelo moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the Period of March 3, 2015 through March 17, 2015 in the aggregate amount of \$1,886,897.98 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

**Approve a Lease Agreement for the Restaurant Space of the Brush Hill Train Station, 25 Hinsdale Avenue (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*)**

President Cauley introduced the item and asked Trustees if they had any concerns, there being none, Trustee Elder moved to **Approve a Lease Agreement for the Restaurant Space of the Brush Hill Train Station, 25 Hinsdale Avenue (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*).** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

The following Consent Agenda items were approved by omnibus vote.

**Environment & Public Services**

- a) **Award the Engineering Services for Private Development Plan Review to James J. Benes & Associates in the Amount Not to Exceed \$80,000 (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*)**
- b) **Award the 2015 Reconstruction Project to A Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc. in the Amount Not to Exceed \$2,819,354 (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*)**
- c) **Award the 2015 MPI Resurfacing Project to Hardin Paving Services in the Amount Not to Exceed \$250,519 (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*)**
- d) **Award the 2015 MPI Crack Sealing Project to Patriot Pavement Management in the Amount Not to Exceed \$30,000 (*First Reading – March 3, 2015*)**

Trustee LaPlaca moved to **approve Consent Agenda Items A-D, as presented.**  
Trustee Haarlow seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

## **SECOND READINGS / NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Environment & Public Services (Chair LaPlaca)**

#### **Waive the First Reading and Award the Oak Street Bridge Replacement Project to Kenny Construction Company in the Amount Not to Exceed \$6,893,314**

President Cauley introduced the item and explained that this is the first time this matter is before the Board, but the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) wants this done by March 18<sup>th</sup>. Four construction companies submitted bids for the project. Kenny Construction had the lowest bid, has a good reputation and is recommended by IDOT. Mr. Scott Creech, from HR Green, said he had done extensive research on Kenny Construction and confirmed their good reputation. They have prequalified with IDOT and they have done projects of this size and scope. Mr. Deeter noted that Assistant Village Engineer Al Diaz had worked with them when he worked for IDOT, and said their reputation was good there.

President Cauley remarked that he and Village Manager Gargano don't want to bring these types of matters to the Board for approval with only one meeting, but deadlines with the bridge are compelling.

Trustee LaPlaca moved to **Waive the First Reading and Award the Oak Street Bridge Replacement Project to Kenny Construction Company in the Amount Not to Exceed \$6,893,314.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

### **Zoning & Public Safety**

#### **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 11-401 ("Certificate of Zoning Compliance") of the Hinsdale Zoning Code as it Relates to When Certificates of Zoning Compliance are Required (Plan Commission 8-1) (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus)**

Trustee Saigh moved to **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 11-401 (“Certificate of Zoning Compliance”) of the Hinsdale Zoning Code as it Relates to When Certificates of Zoning Compliance are Required (Plan Commission 8-1) (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion. .

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

**Approve an Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for the Construction of a New Clubhouse on the Property Located at 830 N. Madison – Salt Creek Club (Plan Commission 8-1) (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus)**

Trustee LaPlaca moved to **Approve an Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for the Construction of a New Clubhouse on the Property Located at 830 N. Madison – Salt Creek Club (Plan Commission 8-1) (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus).** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

**Approve a Permit for a Temporary Use at 336 E. Ogden Avenue for the Period of March 17, 2015 through October 31, 2015, Subject to Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building Commissioner (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus)**

Trustee Elder moved to **Approve a Permit for a Temporary Use at 336 E. Ogden Avenue for the Period of March 17, 2015 through October 31, 2015, Subject to Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building Commissioner (First Reading – March 3, 2015, Board Consensus).** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Oak Street Bridge Update**

Village Manager Gargano addressed the Board regarding the Oak Street Bridge project. She illustrated, with a power point presentation, the Village website will have a link to a redesigned Oak Street Bridge page that will be more informative and user friendly. The website will keep residents informed of detour routes and changes in parking. The detour maps have been developed by police and engineering considering traffic flows, but if adjustments are needed, they can be made. Chicago Avenue will have a new stop light to manage one lane of traffic. Residents can provide their email address to the Village for updates, too. Ms. Gargano noted that the Police Department is working to finalize parking around the construction area; commuter spaces will be relocated. Chief of Police Brad Bloom said the Highland Station will not be closed, but there will be no pedestrian access north of the bridge.

Trustee LaPlaca commented that the Oak Street Bridge Community Working Group discussed having the Village's name on the bridge. Director of Economic Development and Urban Design Tim Scott is in the process of developing a possible design and Village Engineer Dan Deeter is working on whether or not the Village can get funding for this type of project addition. She also noted that if residents are interested in acquiring a piece of the bridge, to let Management Analyst Suzanne Ostrovsky know as she will be managing this program.

President Cauley remarked that it would be advantageous to avoid construction on adjacent roads and the detour routes. Mr. Deeter noted that staff is trying to coordinate all street work, and Director of Community Development Robb McGinnis confirmed that residential construction will also be monitored. Methods by which to notify the public about the bridge closing will include the website, door to door notices and the newspapers. Mr. Deeter said signage will be planned when IDOT lets the contract and the first preconstruction meeting is held.

### **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) items**

President Cauley reminded that Board that because of the volume of material in the CIP, the Board will review the items department by department, except three Public Services items of some urgency before the Board this evening.

Public Services is asking for \$160,000 for a snow plow and attachment. The useful life of a plow is about 15 years, our vehicle is 17 years old. When it is replaced, we would keep the older vehicle as a backup. They are asking for \$20,000 for additional snow removal equipment; a snow blower attachment for sidewalks and curbs and roadways. Additionally, they are asking for \$100,000 for maintenance and piping repairs to the Veeck Park sewer overflow facility. It is working, but there are some maintenance problems. He noted that this is a discussion of these items at this time, contracts would be brought forward in the future.

Trustee LaPlaca noted the need for a snow plow is obvious, but remarked that Director of Public Services George Peluso provided great detail to Ms. Gargano and herself regarding the necessity of the Veeck Park piping repairs. She believes he has a good handle on this issue and taking the Village in a good direction.

Additionally, we do not have a certified operator anymore. HR Green will take this on for less than \$2,000 per year. Mr. Peluso will get certified and have a couple other people certified, as well, so that we have in-house operators, but this takes time and is a time commitment,

Discussion followed regarding the responsibility of the engineer on the project, Clark Dietz, Inc. Mr. Deeter confirmed that the design should last longer than the six years this facility has been in operation. President Cauley directed staff to go back to Clark Dietz to work with them to recoup these costs.

## **DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS**

The following reports were submitted for Board review.

- a. Treasurer's Report
- b. Parks & Recreation
- c. IT Coordinator Monthly Report
- d. Police Department Report
- e. Fire Department Report
- f. Public Services Report
- g. Engineering Monthly Report
- h. Community Development Monthly Report
- i. Economic Development Report

Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois recapped the Treasurer's Report for the Board. He noted that sales tax revenue is \$2.6 million, which is up about \$113,000 over the prior year, but asked the Board to keep in mind that sales tax revenue has a three month lag. The Finance Commission has met regarding revenues, and they expect that lower gasoline prices will create a budget challenge. March sales tax revenue declined by .8%, and income tax is below the prior year. He mentioned the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) issues that have been in the news, which could result in an \$800,000 impact to the Village, and noted that he and Ms. Gargano will be monitoring this situation.

He informed the Board that he attended the annual IMET participant meeting last week. Discussion focused on the recovery efforts with respect to the \$50 million fraudulent IMET security investment, which nets to a \$63,000 exposure for Hinsdale. According to accepted accounting practice, this amount will be written off. He explained it will take years to recover any monies, but that these funds would be considered income when they are realized. The Village can hope to recover about 30% of the initial investment.

Building permit revenue is \$700,000+ over budget, but that activity going forward is difficult to predict; therefore the Finance Commission has recommended using a five year average.

The DuPage Water Commission declines in water pumpage that he has been reporting have shown a 2% increase in February and January. Anecdotally, staff is 25% through the new water meter project, and is seeing increased meter readings as we are recapturing correct usages.

President Cauley recapped that all revenues are flat or going down, except permit revenues, which are currently inflated because of the Cancer Treatment Center.

Mr. McGinnis introduced Mr. Chan Yu, the new Village Planner, to the Board. He comes from the city of Des Plaines, has a Master's Degree in Urban Planning and has staff liaison experience. President Cauley welcomed him to Hinsdale.

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

No reports.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **CITIZENS' PETITIONS**

None.

### **TRUSTEE COMMENTS**

Trustee Saigh noted the removal of a very old and beautiful elm tree located at 121 E. Fourth Street on Monday of this week for the construction of a new home. It is unfortunate that these private property trees do not come to the Board before removal.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, Trustee Elder **moved to adjourn the meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees of March 17, 2015.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

**AYES:** Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, LaPlaca and Saigh

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

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