

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of the Meeting
March 1, 2016**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees was called to order by President Tom Cauley on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: President Tom Cauley, Trustees Christopher Elder, Neale Byrnes, Luke Stifflear, Laura LaPlaca and Bob Saigh

Absent: Gerald J. Hughes

Also Present: Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano, Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom, Acting Police Chief Kevin Simpson, Fire Chief Rick Ronovsky, Director of Public Services George Peluso, Director of Parks & Recreation Gina Hassett, Director of Community Development Robb McGinnis, Village Engineer Dan Deeter, Village Planner Chan Yu, Economic Development Coordinator/Human Resources Administrator Emily Wagner, 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

There were no changes to the draft minutes. Trustee Elder moved to **approve the draft minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of February 16, 2016, as presented.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

There were no changes to the draft closed session minutes. Trustee LaPlaca moved to **approve the draft minutes of the closed session meeting of February 2, 2016, as presented.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Byrnes

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cauley remarked that the number of people present to recognize and honor retiring Chief Bloom and acting Chief Simpson is evidence of the high esteem in which they are held. He proceeded to explain that even though Hinsdale is an affluent and relatively safe community, the Police Department received 10,000 calls for service in 2015. The types of calls include issues with domestic violence, drug abuse, burglaries, missing persons, and motorist assistance. Additionally, police officers provide public education classes, crises intervention, and are trained to provide hostage negotiation and homicide investigation.

President Cauley stated Hinsdale has the finest Police Department in the western suburbs, and that is due in large part to retiring Chief Brad Bloom. He noted the Board has great confidence that new Police Chief Kevin Simpson will continue work to make the police department the best it can be.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SERVICE RECOGNITION – BRAD BLOOM, 31 YEARS

President Cauley spoke to the 31 years of service of retiring Police Chief Brad Bloom and thanked him on behalf of the Village for his faithful service. He highlighted his career which started in Hinsdale as a Community Service Officer during summers when he was in college. He became a patrol officer in 1984, a sergeant in 1987, Deputy Chief in 2000 and Chief in 2003. He has been recognized by State and County organizations and in 2013 was recognized as the Police Chief of the Year by the Illinois Crime Commission. The Board is pleased to keep him on in his new capacity as Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety.

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

President Cauley announced the appointment of Kevin Simpson as Hinsdale's new Chief of Police. Kevin Simpson joined the Hinsdale Police Department in 1989 as a patrol officer. In 1994 he worked as part of the department's accreditation team that was awarded accredited status in 1996 by the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). In 2003, he was promoted to Deputy Chief of Administration and in 2006 to Deputy Chief of Operations.

Trustee Saigh moved **to approve the appointment of Kevin Simpson as Chief of Police for the Village of Hinsdale.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE – CHIEF OF POLICE

President Cauley administered the Oath of Office to Chief of Police Kevin Simpson.

PRESENTATION BY HINSDALE ROTARY CLUB TO CHIEF OF POLICE

Mr. Charles Hartley of 33 W. Birchwood, past president of the Hinsdale Rotary Club, introduced current president Dr. Robert Parsons. Dr. Parsons addressed the Board, stating the Rotary Club is proud to count new Chief of Police Kevin Simpson as member of their organization and Board of Directors. He said Chief Simpson lives the club motto 'Service above Self'. He presented Chief Simpson with a gift.

Chief Simpson thanked former Chief Bloom and the other members of the Police Department, as well as his family and friends, particularly his wife, Stephanie.

FIRST READINGS - INTRODUCTION

Environment & Public Services (Chair LaPlaca)

- a) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Title 7, Chapter 2 of the Hinsdale Village Code, "Trees and Shrubs", Regarding Forestry Goals**

President Cauley introduced the item and asked Trustee LaPlaca to provide background for the Board. She explained that three years ago the ordinance was changed to include a \$5,000 fee to remove a tree on the public right-of-way. However, sometimes the fee needs to be waived because there are good reasons to remove the tree. The Village Forester and the Director of Public Services can recommend the Tree Board waive the fee. Reasons to do so, specified in the ordinance, include the location and/or height, width or form of a tree, negative impact on surrounding trees or to promote a healthy street corridor. The Tree Board can recommend replacement or removal.

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

- b) **Award Bid #1602 for Custodial Services, year one, to Alpha Building Maintenance Services in the amount of \$63,375**

President Cauley introduced the item and noted that \$64,000 is budgeted for this expense. This bid is under budget over a two-year period. Director of Public Services George Peluso clarified that the bid amount includes a thirteenth month to get the bid on schedule with our fiscal year. Mr. Peluso noted the vendor received positive recommendations from other communities.

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

Zoning & Public Safety (Chair Saigh)

- c) **Approve an Ordinance Approving a Site Plan/Exterior Appearance Plan at 222 E. Ogden Avenue – Adventist Midwest Health**

President Cauley introduced the item and noted Exhibit 1 in the packet materials indicates the location of the proposed sign and the removal of windows. Village Planner Chan Yu confirmed that the proposed sign is backlit. Discussion followed regarding the recent

proliferation of backlit signs; Trustee Stifflear recommended staff look into appropriate lighting levels. Trustee LaPlaca noted the relocation of a handicap ramp. Mr. Jeff Meyers, architect for the project, explained the ramp was moved because the old one was too steep and the new one meets Illinois safety codes.

The Board agreed to move this item forward for a second reading at their next meeting.

d) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Section 9-102 (“Home Occupations”) of the Hinsdale Zoning code as it relates to Licensing of Home Occupations**

President Cauley explained this item was touched on when the Board reviewed fees last year. Village code required the registration of home businesses; however, enforcement is not possible. The Board decided that rather than try to police it, the registration should be eliminated.

The Board agreed to move this item forward for a second reading at their next meeting.

e) **Approve a permit for a temporary use at 336 E. Ogden Avenue for the period of April 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, subject to conditions to be set forth by the Building Commissioner**

President Cauley explained this is a request for a temporary greenhouse that has been located at this site for the past 6-7 years. Trustee Saigh noticed the requested time period is longer than in past years; from April through December. It was explained that this would accommodate the fall planting season; Trustee LaPlaca pointed out the request would come before the Board twice for that reason. The Board had no problem with this extension.

The Board agreed to move this item forward for a second reading at their next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

- a) Trustee Saigh moved **Approval and payment of the accounts payable for the period of February 17, 2016 through March 1, 2016 in the aggregate amount of \$939,548.19 as set forth on the list provided by the Village Treasurer, of which a permanent copy is on file with the Village Clerk.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

The following items were approved by omnibus vote:

- b) **Award the contract for the KLM carpet replacement to DeSitter Flooring in the amount of \$26,602.59 (First Reading – February 16, 2016)**

- c) **Award the Engineering Services for Construction Observation of the 2016 Roadway & Infrastructure Project to Primera Engineering in the Amount Not to Exceed \$49,895** (*First Reading – February 16, 2016*)
- d) **Award the 2016 Roadway & Infrastructure Project to H. Linden & Sons in the Amount not to Exceed \$1,787,755.80** (*First Reading – February 16, 2016*)

Trustee LaPlaca moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

SECOND READINGS / NON-CONSENT AGENDA - ADOPTION

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

- a) **Approve an Ordinance Amending Subsection 3-3-13A of the Village Code of Hinsdale Related to the Number of Liquor Licenses (Class B1 Restaurant Beer/Wine for Starbucks)** (*First Reading – February 16, 2016*)

President Cauley noted this item was originally scheduled for the Consent Agenda, however there was additional Trustee concern. Trustee Elder explained he had concerns because Starbucks is a family place and there are a lot of kids there; it is not a typical restaurant. He also commented that the Board has approved a lot of liquor licenses of late, and wondered where the line should be drawn. Trustee Saigh stated he has some concern about the location of the business and that it is a family gathering spot. He commented that the proliferation of liquor licenses has gotten his attention.

Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom commented that there is no State law that prohibits a minor from approaching a bar in a restaurant. Trustee LaPlaca commented that most middle schoolers are out of Starbucks by 4:00 p.m., and further the Board approved margarita carry-out for Casa Margarita, wouldn't it be a double standard to deny this request? She also noted that as a national chain, the staff at Starbucks will likely be well-trained.

President Cauley suggested that if the Board feels the take-out at Casa Margarita is a mistake, it should be revisited, at least for discussion.

Mr. Redmond McGrath, attorney for Starbucks, addressed the Board and stated that they comply with all local ordinances with respect to service times and that there have been no problems with the program either nationally or in Illinois. It was suggested that service hours specific to this business be imposed, but Mr. Bloom noted that this would be inconsistent with our current licensing program.

Trustee LaPlaca moved to approve an **Ordinance Amending Subsection 3-3-13A of the Village Code of Hinsdale Related to the Number of Liquor Licenses**. Trustee Byrnes seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh
NAYS: Trustee Elder
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

b) Approve a month-to-month contract with Prescient Solutions to provide information technology support services on an interim basis

President Cauley introduced the item and explained this is an interim solution necessary because the expense for IT services will exceed the Village Manager's spending authority. He believes this contract is a good idea, and asked Ms. Gargano to provide a monthly report to the Board of how much money is spent. Ms. Gargano said that in the meantime, staff will evaluate options relative to IT support, and hope to bring something back to the Board in three months.

Trustee Elder moved to approve **a month-to-month contract with Prescient Solutions to provide information technology support services on an interim basis.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

Zoning & Public Safety (Chair Saigh)

c) Approve an Ordinance Approving Major Adjustments to Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans at 8 Salt Creek Lane/907 Elm Street – Salt Creek Campus LLC (First Reading – February 16, 2016)

Trustee Saigh moved to **approve an Ordinance Approving Major Adjustments to Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans at 8 Salt Creek Lane/907 Elm Street – Salt Creek Campus LLC.** Trustee LaPlaca seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

d) Approve an Ordinance Approving a Building Coverage Variation for the Single Family Residence Located in the R-4 Single Family Zoning District at 718 W. Fourth Street – ZBA Case Number V-05-15 (First Reading – February 16, 2016)

President Cauley introduced the item and summarized the previous discussion on this matter. The Trustees had agreed to grant this approval, but were searching for a way to characterize the approval; to address the subjective nature of these types of approvals. Discussion followed. The Board agreed to modify the motion to approve as follows.

Trustee LaPlaca moved to approve an **Ordinance Approving a Building Coverage Variation for the Single Family Residence Located in the R-4 Single Family Zoning District at 718 W. Fourth Street – ZBA Case Number V-05-15; which approval was unanimously recommended by the Zoning Board of Appeals, met all standard for ZBA approval, allowing the variation will preserve the integrity of a home that is more than 75 years old, and allows less than a 5% increase in lot coverage on a non-conforming lot.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS

- a) Fire
- b) Parks & Recreation
- c) Police
- d) Public Services
- e) Engineering

The reports listed above were provided to the Board. There were no additional questions regarding the contents of the department and staff reports.

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

No reports.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee LaPlaca reported on the monthly Oak Street Bridge meeting, stating work is still on schedule. The security fencing on the slope wall and along the tracks should begin in 2-3 weeks; other fabrication is six weeks out. Landscaping will start the first week in April.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, President Cauley asked for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Elder **moved to adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees of March 1, 2016.** Trustee Byrnes seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Byrnes, Stifflear, LaPlaca and Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Trustee Hughes

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Village Clerk