

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
April 3, 2018**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hinsdale Village Board of Trustees was called to order by Village President Tom Cauley in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 7:31 p.m., roll call was taken.

Present: Trustees Christopher Elder, Michael Ripani, Luke Stifflear, Gerald J. Hughes, Matthew Posthuma, Neale Byrnes and President Tom Cauley

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager Kathleen A. Gargano, Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom, Police Chief Brian King, Fire Chief John Giannelli, Director of Public Services George Peluso, Director of Community Development/Building Commissioner Robb McGinnis, Village Planner Chan Yu, Village Engineer Dan Deeter, Administration Manager Emily Wagner, Management Analyst Jean Bueche and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) **Regular Meeting of March 20, 2018**

Following a suggested change to the draft minutes, Trustee Hughes moved to **approve the draft minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 20, 2018, as amended.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Elder

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Cauley reported there have been three indictments for the armed robbery at Razny Jewelers in March 2017. He acknowledged the good work of Hinsdale Police detectives in putting this case together and bringing it to the point of prosecution. He also acknowledged

DuPage County States Attorney Bob Berlin for the considerable amount of work and assistance from his office during the investigation. He added that Hinsdale is a safe community, but if a violent crime occurs the police department will tenaciously pursue all leads to bring the responsible individuals to justice. This type of crime will not be tolerated in the Village of Hinsdale.

President Cauley also reported proposed changes to the Metra train schedule. He has received several calls from residents complaining, and added Clarendon Hills residents are also upset. The plan is pursuant to an initiative to provide safer train travel. However, two of the four morning express trains from Hinsdale to downtown will be eliminated, and the other two will be inconveniently timed. He said a website has been created for residents to provide input on this matter, and a meeting is planned with BNSF to voice concerns. He added that express trains marginally impact property values because of the convenience of traveling downtown. He believes residents should take this seriously. Management Analyst Jean Bueche explained the website link is a form for comments that will be sent directly to Village staff and BNSF. Village Manager Kathleen Gargano added Clarendon Hills has a meeting scheduled with Metra. Trustee Hughes suggested inviting Clarendon Hills and Westmont residents to use this link. President Cauley added that Burr Ridge and Oak Brook residents should be included. This information will be posted at the train station, as well.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

President Cauley asked for a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Steven Province, CEO of Hinsdale Hospital to the Economic Development Commission. He said he will be a great addition. Trustee Byrnes moved **to approve the appointment as recommended by President Cauley**. Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

FIRST READINGS – INTRODUCTION

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

a) **Approve a Resolution Expressing the Intent of the Village to Reimburse Capital Expenditures from Proceeds of an Obligation**

Trustee Hughes addressed items 7 A & B that are tied to the next bond issuance that was discussed at the joint meeting of the Village Board and the Finance Commission. Item B is the ordinance to authorize the bond issuance, and Item A is the resolution to allow the Village to use the proceeds accordingly for the accelerated infrastructure capital investment plan, to address roads on the accelerated schedule, and do the necessary water and sewer work. These are primarily housekeeping items.

Two \$10,000,000 bond issues were combined because odds are the rates will go up in the future, rather than down. It is prudent to lock in the favorable rate and realize cost

efficiencies for advisory fees and bond counsel. In terms of repayment, we have bond issues that will be and have retired. Additionally, these are must do items in our budget, such as keeping the infrastructure in good working order. It is an important milestone for this Village to be out of catch-up mode; we have no more failed roads, and only a few blocks of poor roads. President Cauley agreed, if we don't accelerate the work, we will be in perpetual catch-up, and would never get to a steady state.

Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois described the bonds that are retiring and added he is confident about repayment for the 10-year period of these new bonds. He noted the interest rate is around 4%, and last year it was about 3%. With respect to combining the contemplated two bond issues, \$10,000,000 would not cover this years' work.

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

- b) **Approve an Ordinance Authorizing the issue of not to exceed \$20,000,000 General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source) for the purpose of paying the costs of certain public infrastructure projects in and for the Village**

This item was addressed during the previous discussion.

- c) **Approve the FY2018-2019 Annual Performance Budget**

Trustee Hughes introduced the item and explained the budget was reviewed at a joint meeting with the Finance Commission, and this budget has not changed since that review.

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

- d) **Approve the FY2018-2019 Pay Plan**

Trustee Hughes explained this item specifies the minimum and maximum salaries or hourly wages for each Village employment position. This is consistent with the budget, and supports the budget plan of a 2.5% COLA.

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

- e) **Approve a Second Amendment to the Land Rover Hinsdale, LLC Economic Development and Sales Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement**

Trustee Hughes introduced the item and explained the original agreement specified a date construction start. The first amendment adjusted that date, and this one pushes it out another two months, as sorting out the fence issue required additional time. The Village will contribute \$50,000 to upgrade to fence. The mechanism to make that payment is a share the tax revenue above an established baseline. If there is no increase in the revenue above the baseline, there is no payment toward the \$50,000 and Land Rover will have to wait for reimbursement. He noted the revenue sharing stops at a certain point, and does not exist into perpetuity. President Cauley added the benefit of this agreement is that it allows Land Rover, our largest sales tax revenue generator, to stay in Hinsdale.

The Board agreed to move this item to the consent agenda of their next meeting.

Environment and Public Service (Chair Byrnes)

- f) **Award the contract for construction of the 2018 South Infrastructure Project (with Alternate #1, Hinsdale Avenue replaced in Concrete), to G & M Cement Construction, Addison, IL, in the amount not to exceed \$6,634,635.36**

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item noting that G&M Cement was the low bidder. He explained the revised RBA includes new bid numbers for a rain garden and an option to reconstruct Hinsdale Road in either asphalt or concrete. G&M specializes in concrete construction and noted a concrete road will last for 50 years. Trustee Byrnes recommends the concrete option because Hinsdale Road is a main thoroughfare. Most of the main streets south of the tracks that need resurfacing are included, but this will not eliminate all the poor rated streets. Staff estimates an additional \$500,000 estimate to do these. This work could be done with budgeted money, but with other expenditures coming up, we will proceed with scheduled streets first and keep this in mind. G&M has done sidewalk work for the Village in the past.

Mr. Nick Vavalle, President of G&M Concrete, addressed the Board and said they have done work for the Village in 2004, 2005 and 2006. They did some of the concrete work on Madison from Chicago to Maple, and did other road work and sidewalk work in 2008. For this project, the concrete work will be done with their staff, the water and sewer work will be done by Triton, Inc., and K-Five will do the paving work. He is confident the work will get done. His references include Western Springs, Burbank, Lombard and Addison. They do \$7-8 million cumulatively, but this will be one Village instead. Mr. Peluso added the subcontractors G&M will use have done work for Hinsdale, IDOT and other large municipalities.

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

- g) **Award the contract for engineering services for construction observation of the 2018 South Infrastructure Project to GSG Consultants, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$262,600**

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item and explained it is customary to award construction observation to the firm that is familiar with the design.

The Board agreed to move this item to the consent agenda of their next meeting.

Zoning and Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- h) **Approve a Resolution approving a Consolidation Plat for property commonly known as 120 North Garfield Street in the Village of Hinsdale, County of DuPage**

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item for a plat of consolidation for an R4 property at 120 N. Garfield. The owner has purchased the lot to the south at 112 N. Garfield and wishes to combine the two properties into a single conforming lot. A non-conforming lot would be eliminated, and Trustee Stifflear noted the properties cannot be 'unconsolidated' in the future.

The Board agreed to move this item to the consent agenda of their next meeting.

- i) **Approve an Ordinance approving a Major Adjustment to a Site Plan and Exterior Appearance Plan for property located at 722-724 N. York Road - Hinsdale Animal Hospital**

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item for a major adjustment to the originally approved plan for the new animal hospital. The decision for the Board is whether or not the request is in substantial conformity with the site plan and exterior appearance plan approved in August 2017. If yes, the Board can approve the request at a second reading, otherwise it must be sent back to the Plan Commission for review. There are six changes requested, but it is important to note that four of the changes are due to code requirements imposed by the

National Fire Protection Association or the DuPage County storm water code. Only two changes are requested by the applicant, and these are not on the front façade of the building.

Mr. Mike Mathys, architect, addressed the Board and described each of the proposed revisions. These are: 1. Shifting the landscape to the north to accommodate the change in egress; 2. Moving the loading space, resulting in a lost parking space; 3. Use of permeable pavers to reduce impervious space on property; 4. Installation of an exterior egress staircase on the back of the building; 5. Additional exit door on the north side of the building; 6. Mechanical louvers added for exhaust and air intakes on the west and north elevations. It was noted that the moving of the loading space and the louvers are not code directed.

President Cauley remarked that as a builder goes through the process, the details of the project become more refined. Plan Commission Chair Steve Cashman does not believe these changes are substantial and require additional Plan Commission review. The Board agreed with this assessment.

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

The following item was taken out of order.

Approve an Ordinance approving a Major Adjustment to a Site Plan and Exterior Appearance Plan for property located at 21 Salt Creek Lane - Hinsdale Humane Society

Trustee Stifflear introduced the item that is a major adjustment to a site plan and exterior appearance plan for the property located at 21 Salt Creek Lane. This is the former Robert Crown Center and the new home for the Hinsdale Humane Society. The original plans were approved in November 2017. The Board needs to determine if the proposed changes are in substantial conformity with the original plans.

Mr. Mike Mathys, architect, reviewed changes: 1. The clerestory windows are now broken up to accommodate the non-load bearing wall that must be braced; 2. A walkway change because of grade that will reduce impervious area; 3. The trash enclosure has been moved from the flood plain per code; 4. The outdoor freezer intake area is concealed; 5. The parking spaces are increased from 43 to 45 because of the trash enclosure space; 6. Lot coverage change, recalculated decrease.

Trustee Stifflear spoke with Plan Commission Chair Steve Cashman who does not believe this item needs to go back to the Plan Commission for further review. Trustee Stifflear added that although they are making elevation changes, the location of the building makes them much less visible. President Cauley pointed out they are using an existing building, and they wouldn't know the changes in the windows would be necessary until further along in the process. Trustee Byrnes agreed, and added this is a great re-purposing of an existing building.

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

- j) **Approve an Ordinance approving a Plat of Subdivision Kensington School (540 W. Ogden Avenue); and**
- k) **Approve an Ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map of the Village of Hinsdale relative to the Rezoning of property located at 540 W. Ogden Avenue**

Trustee Stifflear introduced the two items that have to do with the vacant Amlings site currently zoned R4 since the garden center vacated the property. This is an application to split off the northern portion of the property that abuts Ogden Avenue and zone it O2. The Board is looking at the map amendment and subdivision only at this time, an application for site plan, exterior appearance and special use will be reviewed by the Plan Commission next week. The Plan Commission did conduct two public hearings on the map amendment on February 14, 2018 and March 14, 2018. Additionally, there was a neighbor meeting on February 27th to discuss the proposal. In general, discussions at the public hearings and the neighborhood meeting focused on; 1. operations of the Kensington School - Mr. Marlas will provide a full review of operations and clarify operations as a day care vs. a pre-school; 2. Traffic – the traffic engineer is present to provide detailed report of traffic in the area of the proposed school; 3. Parking – current overflow from Hinsdale Orthopedics and Manor Care, the leased spaces at Amlings, and current Kensington School parking needs; and 4. Uncertainty surrounding future use of the property – permitted uses for an O2 limited office district.

Trustee Stifflear pointed out that Manor Care and Hinsdale Orthopedics are pre-code operations that outgrew their spaces. The lease with the current owner of Amlings for the 75 parking spaces at that location was terminated on March 28, 2018. There are no cars parked there. Area neighbors were concerned about parking on Madison and North, but Police Chief King has addressed this. Further, Hinsdale Orthopedics is shuttling their employees to Christ Church at 31st and York Road. Regarding future uses of the property if Kensington School leaves, the code defines the O2 district provide for the general needs of business and professional offices on smaller sites, and the bulk height regulations are consistent with and compatible with smaller sites and nearby residential uses.

At the two Plan Commission hearings there were approximately 11 residential neighbors that spoke against the map amendment because of traffic, parking and uncertainty of use. The Plan Commission recommended the map amendment by a vote of 4-3. The three Plan Commissioners who voted no cited increased traffic and parking issues, and support of the current R4 zoning. The four who voted yes cited a need for child daycare in Hinsdale, minimal increase in traffic when measured against the approximately 15 single-family properties that could be built, the fact the property is an eyesore and has been vacant for 10 years, and the Kensington School would be a good buffer between Ogden Avenue and the residential district. Trustee Byrnes asked if the three Plan Commissioners who voted against the proposal were aware of the shuttle improvement. Chief King said by the second meeting people knew.

Mr. Charles Marlas, owner of Kensington School, addressed the Board stating his is a 15 year old company. This location will be a day care facility exclusively, with no specific drop off or pick up times. Their hours are 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. They service primarily infants to five-year olds, these children can be enrolled either five days a week, or three, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. All children are escorted into the building, with peak drop off time being 6:30- 8:30 a.m. and pick up time between 3:30-6:30 p.m. There is no evening or weekend traffic.

This school will be the same identical building and operation as their facility in Elmhurst. There are 36 parking spaces there, Hinsdale will have 39. They feel this will be more than sufficient; traffic at the Elmhurst location runs smoothly, it is contained in the parking lot with no spillover to the street. They operate three schools in Western Springs and LaGrange, so they anticipate most of their students will be from Hinsdale and Clarendon

Hills. He said the general rule is people will come from within a three mile radius. He believes there is a need for this type of facility in Hinsdale, he will service the needs of the community, and the school is a good buffer to Ogden Avenue. He said Kensington School was founded in 1969, and the only changes in location since that time have been a result of expired leases. Trustee Ripani asked if Mr. Marlas had conducted any market research. Mr. Marlas explained he had not at a granular level, but believes this correlates with his experience in Elmhurst; he heard the same discussions then, and noted they opened in 2014 with a waitlist. The school has a 150 student capacity. He explained the line between day care and teaching has merged, he described his business as 'day care with a curriculum component'.

With respect to the southern portion of the property, he will look for a partner for the single-family home building. He reported significant interest in the eight lot subdivision, but found strong opposition against building up to Ogden Avenue; there is no interest in single family homes at that location.

Mr. Michael Worthman, from KLOA, addressed the Board explaining his company was retained to do the traffic study. He described the access to the Kensington parking lot that includes a $\frac{3}{4}$ access drive on Ogden Avenue. They are working with IDOT for left turn permission into the property from Ogden. There are two access drives on Monroe at the existing location; one will service Kensington, one for the single-family residences. This is the same configuration as currently used by the Amlings property. He believes the traffic generated by the proposed development, will be comparable or less than the 50-65 cars that were parked there from Manor Care. There will be approximately 21-23 staff people using the school lot; reducing the number of trips in and out. There will be between 120-130 families enrolled, many with more than one child. Not every student attends every day, and there is no dedicated start or end time to the day. Based on the Elmhurst model, they counted 54 trips in and out of the lot at peak service times, including staff. There will be limited traffic midday, and no night or weekend traffic. He noted that traffic for an individual single family residence is 9-10 on average. It is projected that 1/3 of the enrollment will come from the west, east and south respectively. He explained the unique situation on this site because a left turn from Monroe onto Ogden is prohibited, as is a left turn from Ogden to the facility. He described the alternatives that will be necessary. The roadway system has sufficient capacity for this facility. All intersections are operating fairly well and will continue to do so with the proposed development. He provided the current traffic numbers on Monroe, North and Madison, and given those volumes, all of these roads are operating below two-lane capacity in a 24-hour period. Some of the traffic control and traffic calming measures are in place including stop signs, cross walks, school zones and radar signs. It is anticipated that North and Monroe will see an increase of about 15-25 vehicles in peak hours, and higher to the south of about 23-40 vehicles in peak hours. President Cauley asked what the impact of moving the Manor Care parking out of the area is. Chief King said he will begin the traffic counting. Trustee Byrnes said the worst case scenario in terms of traffic would be because of existing schools and the addition of this new one. President Cauley provided anecdotally there is currently no congestion on Madison. Trustee Stifflear pointed out there is an incremental comparison between the traffic the school will generate and what would be generated if single family homes were located on the property.

Mr. Dirk Landis of 618 W. North, addressed the Board stating he visited the Elmhurst location and noted that traffic went smoothly. He disagrees with some of the traffic study results, but thinks the special use offers some protection for neighbors.

Ms. Karen Moberly of 520 Warren Terrace, addressed the Board stating it is important to note that the current owners tied this matter up in court, that's why it's an eyesore. She wondered who this will serve, and does not think living on Ogden is that heinous, because of current projects being built. With respect to traffic, the relevant point of comparison isn't the Manor Care traffic, but what the traffic would be if the underlying zoning was maintained. She believes the traffic study in February underestimates pedestrian traffic in better weather.

Mr. Jay Paine, owner of Village Children's Academy located at 901 Elm, addressed the Board stating his business has 94 spaces and it is crowded. He doesn't think the proposed site is a good area for a commercial property. He also believes that people aren't having as many babies, and that mitigates the need for another day care in Hinsdale. He has space at his property to expand, but doesn't because there is no demand. He also noted parents are not quick in and out, and in his opinion Kensington will have a parking problem.

Mr. Joe Bicek, owner Sim Development, addressed the Board stating he is a local builder here tonight for another matter, but offered that as a builder he wouldn't develop the proposed school site with residential properties because it would be too risky at any price.

President Cauley would like to know how traffic has dropped since Manor Care parking is offsite, and asked the Police Department to do a count. Trustee Elder suggested a left turn arrow on Madison. Village Engineer Dan Deeter said the traffic study shows it would be warranted, and there has been discussion with IDOT, but there is nothing in their five year budget for this project.

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

Approve an Ordinance approving a Major Adjustment to a Site Plan and Exterior Appearance Plan for property located at 21 Salt Creek Lane - Hinsdale Humane Society

(Item taken out of order, previously addressed.)

CONSENT AGENDA

Administration & Community Affairs (Chair Hughes)

- a) Trustee Byrnes moved **Approval and payment of the accounts payable for the period of March 21, 2018 to March 30, 2018, in the aggregate amount of \$1,251,521.36 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, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

The following items were approved by omnibus vote:

- b) **Approve the Engagement Letter from Chapman and Cutler, LLP for bond counsel services in the amount of \$33,000 for the proposed 2018 General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source) (First Reading – March 20, 2018)**
- c) **Approve the Engagement Letter from Speer Financial, Inc. to act as Municipal Advisor for the proposed 2018 General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source) in the amount of \$41,250 (First Reading – March 20, 2018)**

Environment and Public Service (Chair Brynes)

- d) **Approve an agreement with Doherty and Associates to provide Owners Representative services for Phase II design and construction of a parking deck at a cost not to exceed \$60,900 (First Reading – March 20, 2018)**
- e) **Award the Contract for Engineering Services for Construction Observation of the 2018 North Infrastructure Project to GSG Consultants, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$284,780 (First Reading – March 20, 2018)**

Zoning and Public Safety (Chair Stifflear)

- f) **Approve the increase in the number of sworn Firefighter/Paramedics by two personnel from 15 to 17 with the intent to revert back to 15 at the appropriate time after the retirement of two Fire Department employees (First Reading – March 20, 2018)**

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

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Brynes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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 (Discussion Item – March 20, 2018)**

Trustee Hughes introduced the item and explained this item was discussed at the last meeting of the Village Board and the only reason action is required of the Board is to correct the number of licenses in each class. He noted a majority of the Board was in favor of this action at the first reading.

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

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes
NAYS: Trustee Stifflear
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Environment and Public Service (Chair Byrnes)

- b) **Award the Contract for Construction of the 2018 North Infrastructure Project to John Neri Construction Company, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$7,356,648** (*First Reading – March 20, 2018*)

Trustee Byrnes introduced the item stating there have been no changes or additional information since the first reading of the item.

Trustee Hughes moved to **Award the Contract for Construction of the 2018 North Infrastructure Project to John Neri Construction Company, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$7,356,648.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

- c) **Approve a month to month contract with Mac Strategies Group, Inc., Chicago, Illinois (Mac Strategies) in an amount not to exceed \$6,500 per month for the period of April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 for lobbyist services related to the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (Tollway) expansion project**

Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Safety Brad Bloom explained this item automatically appears for approval by the Board for 30 day renewals. The term of this contract is for the month of April. President Cauley suggested a more robust discussion of this item next time.

Trustee Hughes moved to **Approve a month to month contract with Mac Strategies Group, Inc., Chicago, Illinois (Mac Strategies) in an amount not to exceed \$6,500 per month for the period of April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 for lobbyist services related to the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (Tollway) expansion project.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a) Update on proposed I-294 Tollway expansion

President Cauley reported a meeting that he, Ms. Gargano and Mr. Bloom attended with State officials, and tomorrow they will walk the parks with Tollway and BNSF representatives to determine the impact on the parks.

b) Chamber of Commerce in-kind service request

Ms. Eva Fields and Mr. John Berger from the Chamber of Commerce confirmed that this is the same request and nothing has changed since last year. President Cauley pointed out the Board has approved this for many years; the Board is in favor of granting this request.

c) Request for tribute tree with stone marker and plaque

Mr. Bloom explained that the Village has received a request from the Tonn family to donate a tree on Village property in memory of their son, Brooks. They have worked with Superintendent of Forestry and Parks John Finnell to determine a spot on the Memorial Building property. The Village has a policy in place that changed from installing a plaque on a rock in front of the tree to putting the plaque directly on the tree. This was changed for maintenance reasons. Mr. Tonn has asked for an exception to the policy, at his cost. Trustee Stifflear commented that there are already commemorative rocks on site now. Trustee Hughes added if this is the one thing the family is asking for, he would be in favor of granting an exception. The Board agreed with the request of Mr. Tonn.

d) Early start request for the 2018 North Infrastructure project

Director of Public Services George Peluso explained this is the annual request for Neri to begin work at 7:00 a.m. The Board agreed to the request as it helps to get the job done quicker.

DEPARTMENT AND STAFF REPORTS

- a) Treasurer's Report
- b) Police
- c) Parks & Recreation
- d) Economic Development
- e) Community Development

The report(s) listed above were provided to the Board. There were no additional questions regarding the content 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 Hughes noted an email from Crain's Business that included an item about the preservation of the Veeck family home, because of a deed restriction on the property. Hinsdale struggles with how to make it easy to take voluntary action to preserve historic homes. There is interest in saving these homes, and once it is on the deed it cannot be removed. Trustee Stifflear noted this is an item on the Historic Preservation Commission agenda at their meeting tomorrow evening.

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 April 3, 2018.** Trustee Posthuma seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Ripani, Stifflear, Hughes, Posthuma and Byrnes

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Village Clerk