

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
May 1, 2012**

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, May 1, 2012 at 7:34 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Village Manager Dave Cook, Assistant Village Manager/Finance Director Darrell Langlois, Director of Community Development Robb McGinnis, Director of Public Services George Franco, Director of Parks & Recreation Gina Hassett, Fire Chief Rick Ronovsky and Village Clerk Christine Bruton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Geoga asked for corrections to the minutes. Trustee Elder moved **to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of April 17, 2012, as amended.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Trustee Haarlow

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

Patrick Scott of 5507 S. Garfield addressed the Board concerning water quality to homes south of 55th Street on Garfield. He stated that the pipes are antique and have ruptured 18 times in the last two years. Additionally, residents have been without water for 24 hours and in one case several days. This is more than an occasional problem creating expensive repairs and the delivery of substandard water to residents

in this area. He asked that the Board put south Garfield Street on the schedule as soon as possible to completely revamp the street and replace the ancient pipe. He suggested that the area south of 55th Street is overlooked. President Cauley responded that this is scheduled on the Master Infrastructure Plan for 2016 and that all street projects are prioritized based on need and urgency, but that the Board will review the schedule if it needs to be adjusted. Trustee LaPlaca noted that the engineering plans have been approved for this stretch, so the Village will be prepared to move forward when necessary. Further, if other issues occur here, we will do our best to move it up on the list. Trustee Geoga noted that there are no neighborhoods that are of lesser importance than others; that is simply not the case.

Ms. Pat Johnson of 5515 S. Garfield asked why there is never a boil order after a break and how can we be sure the water is safe. Director of Public Services George Franco explained the procedure for boil orders and that it has not been warranted in this area to date. He offered to have Ms. Johnson's water checked for her at any time. President Cauley asked to be informed if there is any such activity in this area.

Mr. Gene Dettmar of 5510 Garfield reiterated that this problem is costing money and wasting water. This is a Village problem.

BUILDING SAFETY MONTH PROCLAMATION

President Cauley read the Building Safety Month Proclamation.

PRESERVATION MONTH PROCLAMATION

President Cauley read the Preservation Month Proclamation.

CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION PROCLAMATION

President Cauley read the Crossing Guard Appreciation Proclamation. President Cauley and Chief Bloom distributed recognition certificates to the crossing guards.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

President Cauley recommended to the Board the following:

Economic Development Commission

John Karstrand reappointed as Chairman to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015 (Chamber member)

Craig Chapello reappointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015 (Resident Member)

Elyce Rembos reappointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015 (Merchant Member)

Michael Goebel appointed to a 2-year term through April 30, 2014 (Institutional Member replacing Alan Schneider)

Finance Commission

Jerry Hughes reappointed as Chairman to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Adam Waldo reappointed for a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Mohammed (Mike) Maali reappointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Historic Preservation Commission

Scott Peterson reappointed as Chairman to a 3-year term thorough April 30, 2015

Frank Gonzalez appointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015 (Replacing Dan Ives)

Park & Recreation Commission

Scott Banke reappointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Kathleen Mulligan reappointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

John George appointed to a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Zoning Board of Appeals

John Callahan reappointed to a 5-year term through April 30, 2017

Marc Connelly reappointed to a 5-year term through April 30, 2017

Police Pension Board

Donald Klink reappointed for a 2 year term through April 30, 2015

Electrical Commission

George Canary reappointed for a 3-year term through April 30, 2015

Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

Donna Flynn appointed for a 3-year term through April 30, 2015 (Replacing Peter Von Eschen)

Trustee Elder moved to **approve the appointments as recommended by President Cauley**. Trustee Angelo seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

CONSENT AGENDA

President Cauley read the Consent Agenda as follows:

Items Recommended by Zoning & Public Safety Committee

- a) Ordinance Approving Site Plans and Exterior Appearance Plans for Replacement of the Existing Chain Link Fence at the Property Located at 500 W. Hinsdale Avenue (Hinsdale Community Pool) (Omnibus vote) (O2012-17)
- b) Permit for a Temporary Use in Burlington Park from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 19, 2012 Subject to Any Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building Commissioner (Item taken separately)
- c) Purchase Order for a Oce' Plotwave 300 Large Format Digital Copier in the amount of \$12,995.00 to BHFX Digital Imaging, LLC. (Omnibus vote)
- d) Ordinance Approving a Major Adjustment to a Planned Development for a New Entrance Sign at the York Road Entrance to Road D in the Graue Mill Country Condominium Planned Development (Omnibus vote) (O2012-18)
- e) Ordinance Authorizing the Sale by Auction or Disposal of Personal Property Owned by the Village of Hinsdale (Omnibus vote) (O2012-19)
- f) Renew the Contract of Attorney Linda Pieczynski for the Period of June 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013 for the Prosecution of Ordinance Violations (Omnibus vote)

President Cauley pulled Item B off the Consent Agenda for separate consideration. Trustee Saigh moved to **approve the Consent Agenda, as amended.** Trustee Elder seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

**Permit for a Temporary Use in Burlington Park from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on
May 19, 2012 Subject to Any Conditions to be Set Forth by the Building
Commissioner**

President Cauley said he watched the ZPS video on this matter. Seguin Services, the charitable organization making this application, does fine work and is certainly

a deserving organization. He believes this permit should be approved, but is concerned that this might be the first of many requests of this nature. He suggested the Village should have a policy regarding charitable organizations using public spaces. He discussed this with Trustee Haarlow and concluded that the touchstone should be some physical presence in the Village. Trustee Angelo commented that he was going to say no to this request, but this is a great organization and there are Hinsdale residents on their Board. Perhaps there should be a more stringent test than if Hinsdale residents are involved. Trustee LaPlaca expressed concern regarding competition for local plant sales. Trustee Saigh suggested guidelines not a policy be developed, so the Board would have flexibility if there was sentiment to support any organization. Trustee Geoga stated the Board does not want to be in the position of deciding which charities are of merit. President Cauley said that to be fair, there should be guidelines at the very least.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Accounts Payable

Trustee Haarlow moved **Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable for the Period of April 14, 2012 through April 27, 2012 in the aggregate amount of \$335,511.28 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 Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

**Award Bid #1513
For the Replacement of the Exterior Fence at the Community Pool
to Action Fence Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$40,132.00**

President Cauley introduced the item. Trustee LaPlaca moved to **Award Bid #1513 for the Replacement of the Exterior Fence at the Community Pool to Action Fence Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$40,132.00.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion. Trustee Geoga asked about the addition of the bottom rail. Director of Parks & Recreation Gina Hassett explained that the low bidder viewing the site, pointed out the safety concerns for a fence installation without the rail, particularly for barefooted kids at the pool. President Cauley explained that he is concerned when an item is way under budget. Ms. Hassett explained that the \$55,000 budgeted for the project was the price for an ornamental fence. This amount was budgeted to allow the Plan Commission to have options. They approved the proposed fence which resulted in the savings.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES

**Agreement By and Between the Village of Hinsdale and _____ to Provide
Full-Requirements Electricity Supply and Related Services for the Village's
Electric Aggregation Program**

President Cauley introduced the item stating that the electricity supply bids had come in and the best rate is half what ComEd is currently charging. Mr. David Hoover from NIMEC spoke to the Board and stated that Nordic's price would give Hinsdale the lowest price in Illinois. He attributed that, in part, to the drop in natural gas prices as well as the fact that Hinsdale has an attractive load factor based on average home usage. If the Board agrees that Nordic is the most attractive vendor, the next decision is to determine the most attractive term length. President Cauley wondered what risks there might be with a new provider like Nordic. Mr. Hoover said possibly in the processing of opt out lists, they might miss a month on conversion to another company. If the provider is unable to deliver product the accounts would revert back to ComEd and we would start the bid process again. Mr. Hoover confirmed that Nordic is approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission. Trustee Geoga asked how to analyze the question of term. Mr. Hoover said it is like locking in a mortgage, if you sign a three year contract there is no

renegotiation. He suggested that future rates are driven by the state of the U.S. economy, the supply is fixed. Trustee Angelo remarked that the price of natural gas has bottomed out.

Mr. Jim Deering and Mr. Wayne Bollinger from Nordic Energy Services explained that their office is located in Oak Brook Terrace, there are 15 employees; they are an experienced team. They expect to win 20% of the now 300 municipalities looking for electricity suppliers since the March elections. He outlined their current accounts and other business activities. Discussion followed regarding whether to go with a one, two or three year term. The Board agreed to a three year term. Mr. Hoover clarified that the three year price is \$.463/per kilowatt hour. If approved tonight, the Village will enter into a sales agreement subject to review of counsel. Information will be sent to residents in about two weeks, the conversion from ComEd will take another 60 days. The goal is to be finished by July. The average savings to residents will be between \$400-\$500 per year. Trustee LaPlaca moved to approve an **Agreement By and Between the Village of Hinsdale and Nordic Energy Services for a Three-year Term to Provide Full-Requirements Electricity Supply and Related Services for the Village's Electric Aggregation Program, subject to attorney review.** Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Award the 2012 Resurfacing Program to PirTano Construction Company, Inc. in an Amount not to Exceed \$2,128,978.50

President Cauley introduced the item and noted the streets that will be fixed with this resurfacing program. The budget is \$1.9 million, the \$300,000 allocated for annual maintenance will be added to reconstruction work. He remarked that there is no give in this budget, if there are significant change orders, it will go over budget. Trustee LaPlaca moved to **Award the 2012 Resurfacing Program to PirTano Construction Company, Inc. in an Amount not to Exceed \$2,128,978.50.** Trustee Geoga seconded the motion. Trustee LaPlaca noted that she met with staff regarding the use of the \$300,000. They will continue to look at these projects to scale back in an appropriate way. Village Manager Cook explained that there are allowances built in for things such as soil problems.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

ZONING AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Ordinance Amending Parking Regulations in Section 6-12-9, Schedule IX Limited Time Zones of the Village Code of Hinsdale (O2012-20)

President Cauley introduced the matter stating it relates to the stretch of road on Third Street between Grant and Vine. The police would like to have the ordinance conform to the signage.

Mr. Doug Bemis of 220 S. Grant Street addressed the Board pointing out that this is the only stretch of Third Street where four hour parking is allowed. He is not clear why this block is treated differently. At the ZPS meeting it came to light that of the six residents on this block, three oppose changing this. There is parking from area businesses here as this is the only free four hour parking in the area.

Police Chief Bloom said the matter was brought to our attention by Mr. Bemis, but prior to that they had received no complaints. The four hour signage has been in place for five years and this street has functioned properly. If there had been problems he would advocate for a shorter duration. In fact, changing it from the four hours that people are used to would create complaints. Trustee Saigh commented that Immanuel Hall is part of that neighborhood. Immanuel Hall does not have on-site parking as a concession to neighbors. An extensive police study of the area was conducted that addressed more than just the parking issue, also concerned with the amount and kinds of traffic. The four hour limit is working and there are practical and safety reasons for keeping that time limit. Trustee Angelo commented that there hasn't been an issue in five years and therefore there is no reason not to keep the time at four hours. Trustee Haarlow felt the fact that neighbors showed up at the ZPS meeting on this matter was significant, but he was not aware that Immanuel Hall had relinquished on-site parking in consideration of the neighbors. Trustee Elder moved to **Ordinance Amending Parking Regulations in Section 6-12-9, Schedule IX Limited Time Zones of the Village Code of Hinsdale**. Trustee Saigh seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

No reports.

STAFF REPORTS

No reports.

CITIZENS' PETITIONS

None.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

With respect to Mr. Scott's remarks earlier regarding the water on Garfield, it was determined that the water lost when there is leakage is anticipated and calculated into water rates. Mr. Franco clarified when a boil order is issued. Trustee Saigh commended Ms. Hassett, the Park & Recreation Commission and staff for the successful result of the first Healthy Parks Healthy Patients 5K run conducted on April 22nd.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Village Board of Trustees, President Cauley asked for a motion to adjourn into Closed Session. Trustee Haarlow **moved to adjourn the meeting of May 1, 2012 into Closed Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel, and not to reconvene.** Trustee Angelo seconded the motion.

AYES: Trustees Elder, Angelo, Haarlow, Geoga, LaPlaca, Saigh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Christine M. Bruton, Village Clerk