

**VILLAGE OF HOWARD**  
**SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCE APPEALS BOARD MEETING**  
**6:00 p.m. April 5, 2017**  
**Village Hall Board Room**

**CALL TO ORDER**

D. Adler called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members: Chairman Don Adler, Dick Boyer, Sheila Hamilton, Michele Swaer, and Kelly Lind (alternate)

Excused: Marc Erickson

Also Present: Village Attorney Bob Gagan, Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

D. Boyer moved to approve the minutes from the Sept. 7, 2016 SORAB meeting. S. Hamilton seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW VILLAGE ATTORNEY**

Village Attorney Bob Gagan introduced himself and explained his municipal law experience, as well as his familiarity with sex offender residency issues.

**REVIEW OF ORDINANCES THAT GOVERN SORAB**

The board reviewed the Child Protection Ordinance and the subsequent removal of the sunset clause. Discussion also focused on Ordinance 2009-32, which regulates the number of sex offenders that can live at an address.

**REVIEW OF SORAB MEETING PROCEDURES**

D. Adler reviewed the opening informational statement that he reads before every meeting, which provides guidelines for discussion with the applicant.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

- The board was provided an updated map of areas within the village that sex offenders are prohibited from residing.
- The board reviewed the report from Deputy Dhuey, which provided a status update of the convicted sex offenders who were previously approved to reside within the village.
- Attorney Gagan reviewed 2015 state legislation that prohibits municipalities from restricting residency of offenders convicted under Chapter 980.
- Alternate member Kelly Lind resigned from the board, as she will be moving out of Howard.

**ADJOURN**

D. Boyer moved to adjourn. K. Lind seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.**

Leigh Ann Wagner Kroening  
Administrative Assistant