VILLAGE OF HODGKINS

BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

February 7, 2017

Meeting called to order: 7:00 pm

Those Present:    Paul Struve, Chairman
                  Don Cutillo, Member
                  Dominic Misasi, Member
                  Larry Rice, Member

Also Present:    Noel Cummings, President
                 Stephanie Gardner, Clerk
                 Vicky Moxley-Trustee
                 Tim Kovel, Building Inspector
                 Dan Tholotowsky, Code/Life Safety Officer

Pledge of Allegiance

The discussion is regarding a business license for Twisted Classics food vendor trailer. Co-Owner Erica Tomei was present for the meeting. Ms. Tomei resides in Lyons.

Ms. Tomei explained that her business is a mobile food truck. She explained her plan is to talk with local business and get permission to bring the food truck onsite during lunch hours. Ms. Tomei explained they are a cook to order, sandwiches, fries, and other items. Mr. Tomei explained their trailer is a NSF, commercialized trailer with a three compartment sinks. They have running water, hot water, a hand sink, three compartment sinks for dishes and a sink for produce. Mr. Struve explained our current ordinance is for sealed foods only.

Mr. Struve said there was not a Cook County Vendor’s license for food in the application packet. Ms. Tomei explained she has been in contact with Carmella, the supervisor for the Cook County Health department and she is in the process of getting the certification. She is in the process of getting a business license from the town of Lyons, where she resides. There is an inspection set up for Monday. Mr. Struve explained the Village of Hodgkins will not issue a business license, until a Cook County Health department inspection has been passed and license issued. Ms. Tomei explained they do have safe food handling certificates from other states.
Mrs. Moxley discussed that in the future we may need to look into our ordinances, with the evolution of the food truck. The food trucks are now much safer, have proper sanitation and that makes them much safer. Regarding bathrooms, Mrs. Moxley would like to be sure bathroom facilities are available wherever they would go. Ms. Tomei said they would get a letter from the business saying they can use their washroom facilities.

Mr. Struve explained as of now the food trucks we currently allow, are all packaged foods only, so this would be different. Mr. Struve explained a license cannot be issued at this point, because she does not have the Cook County Health Inspection certificate. This would be a mobile food vendor and the yearly fee would be $600.00.

Ms. Tomei would like to become a partner with the community in the future and possibly be a part of town events.

Mr. Struve read the ordinance to Ms. Tomei so that is was completely understood. We are limited by our codes, but may have to make some adjustments in the future. Ms. Tomei explained they will be in contact with us once the inspections are done.

Mr. Kovel wanted to explain that if we allow her a business license we would have to update out codes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m by Mr. Struve. Everyone was in favor of closing the meeting with no other topics to be discussed.

Stephanie Gardner, Village Clerk