

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF STEGER, WILL & COOK
COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

The Board of Trustees convened in regular session at 7:00 P.M. on this 2nd day of August, 2010 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with President Sherman in the Chair and presiding and Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. attending.

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Trustee Banicki was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Police Chief Richard Stultz, ESDA Director Roger Mumford and Village Attorney Franklin Burkey.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the July 19th Board Meeting minutes be dispensed with and they be accepted as written as all members have copies. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the July 19th Appropriation Hearing minutes be dispensed with and they be accepted as written as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

Trustee Honea reported that in July 2010 the Fire Department responded to fifty eight three (58) ambulance calls and twenty three (23) fire calls. There were one hundred and eight (108) hours of Firefighter training, One hundred ninety four (194) hours of Firefighter II training and twenty four (24) hours of Special training.

Trustee Honea also reminded the Board and those present that Steger Day will be held at Veterans Park on August 28th.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that in June the Police Department responded to One thousand four hundred thirty six calls. Fifty of those calls resulted in ticket and twenty two of them were arrests. The Illinois Criminal Justice Authority Grant has been completed. With the funds, the Police Department has purchased a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria squad car, all necessary equipment, eight mobile car radios and nine hand held portable radios. \$34,474.00 has been received in this grant with no matching funds required by the Village.

The Firemen's Park concession stand was broken into in July. The air conditioner was pushed in from the outside and items stolen from the concession stand. Sgt Gerald Ruff and Detective Pete Fajman found a group of juveniles with the missing items. The juveniles were turned over to their parents and petitioned to juvenile

court. Trustee Peterson recognized Sgt. Gerald Ruff and Detective Pete Fajman for a job well done.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen reported that in July 2010 that all water samples came back from the IEPA as satisfactory. The Water Department repaired eight (8) water mains. Trustee Seehausen also thanked Roger and Sue Mumford and Frank Elton for providing food to the Public Works employees as they worked into the evening repairing a water main break.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion approving the bills as listed for payment. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for July 2010 which was \$189,110.37.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of July 2010, which was \$35,053.37.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for July 2010:

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX		\$ 43,941.17	May 2010
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX		\$ 27,450.16	May 2010
STATE INCOME TAX		\$75,735.26	Jan. 2010
STATE INCOME TAX		\$46,862.49	Feb. 2010
STATE INCOME TAX		\$ 0.00	Mar. 2010-Delay
STATE INCOME TAX		\$ 0.00	April 2010-Delay
STATE INCOME TAX		\$ 0.00	May 2010-Delay
REPLACEMENT TAX		\$ 3,652.42	May-June 2010
LOCAL USE TAX		\$ 9,742.01	June 2010
MOTOR FUEL TAX		\$ 19,198.79	June 2010
UTILITY REVENUE		\$ 19,303.80	June 2010

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WILL COUNTY FINES		\$ 617.00	June 2010
COOK COUNTY FINES		\$ 1,080.26	April 2010

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the Collector's Report and place it on file. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lopez. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana announce dates of their Fall Product Program October 8-23, 2010 and their Annual Cookie Program January 8-23, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the lighted sign in the Industrial Park at Louis Sherman Drive and to waive the sign permit fee, as requested by businessmen Joe Nicolazzi and Mike Bless. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. After discussion, the roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Trustee Seehausen voted no. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Agreement with the Secretary of State's office regarding vehicle registration within the Village of Steger. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. The roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to table the Appointments by the Mayor of Committees, Commissions and Boards for the coming year. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to strike the presentation by Jerry McCullough of Spectrum Insurance regarding Employee Health Benefits. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1003 ESTABLISHING THE STEGER COMMUNITY CENTER AS A PLACE WHERE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR CAN BE SERVED FOR SPECIAL EVENTS. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 983 AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT WITH COOK COUNTY. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the

following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table RESOLUTION NO. 984 AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP IN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERSONNEL BENEFIT COOPERATIVE. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to advertise for bids for Air Conditioning work in conjunction with the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant, as requested by Project Manager Roger Mumford. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion that the Village send only the Village President to the Illinois Municipal League Conference in September. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to donate \$200.00 to Bloom Township for the Bloom Township Senior picnic, as requested by Township Supervisor T.J.Somer. The event will be held August 5th at Bloom Township Veterans Memorial Park. Eight Hundred seniors are expected to attend. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request from Erin Lopez to block off 31st Street from Peoria to Sangamon on Sunday August 22nd from 5 to 8pm for a birthday party allowing children to ride their bicycles, skateboards and scooters at the party. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made motion to approve the request from the Steger-South Chicago Heights Library District to hold a Movie in the Park Night on Friday August 27th at Veterans Park. The Library has contracted to show the Disney movie **UP**. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table An Intergovernmental Agreement with School District #194. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to revoke the Business License of Community Liquors' due to nonpayment of 2010-11 License fees. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Fire Chief Al Martinez to approve of Gabriel Cipkar as a probationary Firefighter pending background checks and a physical examination. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Temporary Business License Application of *A Touch From Above, Corp.* at 3729 Chicago Road, pending inspections. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

After discussion, Trustee Peterson made a motion to advise Pastor David Fosco of Life in the Cross Ministries in Chicago Heights that certain dates are available for use at Veterans Park for a preaching/teaching event on a Saturday in September between 10am and 1pm. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Village Engineer Joseph Schudt discussed with the Board the Scrementi project's letter of credit. Trustee Peterson suggested Mr. Schudt contact the Scrementi representatives and inquire about a new letter of credit or possible draw by the Village on the current letter of credit.

Blaine Platopoulos of 3210 Sandy Ridge asked about mosquito fogging. Trustee Seehausen stated that the fogging truck has been broken down and its repair will be looked into.

Charles Fajman suggested the Board contact Crete and request use of their fogging equipment.

Village Attorney Frank Burkey suggested that the Village could save the cost of Arbitration in its negotiations with the Police Union, if an agreement could be reached prior to August 15th. Mr. Burkey expects to receive a proposal from the Police Union in the coming days and will contact Board members for a vote on the proposal by telephone.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Seehausen moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

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MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:29 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk