# 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Police Chief Richard Stultz, Project Manager Roger Mumford and Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox.

#### **MINUTES**

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the December 6<sup>TH</sup> Board Meeting 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 introduced Jordan Lane. Lane was injured while serving his country overseas. He is now home for the holidays with his family. Trustee Honea asked that Lane and all our servicemen and women be remembered in our prayers this holiday season.

## **TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT**

Trustee Peterson reported that the Economic Development Committee is still working out the agreement with Manco. Attorney Burkey and Trustees Peterson expect to resolve the agreement in coming weeks.

Trustee Peterson also reported that the Police Department is continuing its negotiations with South Chicago Heights Police Department regarding the dispatch agreement.

## TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

Trustee Lopez wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

### TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

Trustee Banicki wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## **BILLS**

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

#### CORRESPONDENCE

A note of Thanks from the Village Board to Harvey Sass for his donation to the Village of a photograph of John V. Steger, the Village's first Mayor and a 1926 Village of Steger Code Book.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt <u>ORDINANCE NO. 1008 AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY RELATING TO COMPENSATORY TIME ACCUMULATION</u>. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the 2011 Board Meeting Dates. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request by Misericordia to conduct "tag days" on Friday, April 29 and Saturday, April 30, 2011. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve Matt Wenzel's request for approval of the Driving the Dixie event, the route and the funding. Trustee Seehausen explained that the sign to be mounted on the pole at the site cannot be installed by the Village as a machine is required that had to be rented. The cost of the rental is not in the Village Public Works budget. Trustee Seehausen also explained that the tent is rented and installed by the rental company. Project Manager Roger Mumford discussed the route to be driven for the event. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

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Trustee Peterson made a motion to table the request from Fire Chief Al Martinez for Board approval of:

- A. Steger Fire Department Attendance Percentage Policy
- B. Steger Fire Department Rules and Regulations Code of Conduct
- C. Steger Fire Department Policy-Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act

until Village Attorney has time to review the Policies, Rules and Regulations. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on Wednesday December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm in the Village Meeting Room.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Village Attorney Burkey discussed with the Board the effect of "Compensatory time" on employee pensions.

## **MEETING RECESSED AT 7:12PM**

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Seehausen moved that the meeting recess until Thursday, December 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

### **MEETING RECONVENED DECEMBER 30, 2010 AT 6PM**

The Board of Trustees reconvened in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy and Honea. Trustees Lopez and Peterson were absent. Also present were ESDA Director Roger Mumford, Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Fire Chief Al Martinez and Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers.

Trustee Banicki discussed several revenue increasing and cost saving measures that can be implemented by the Code Enforcement and Building Departments. It was suggested that permits fees be increased and annual subcontractor licenses increase from \$75.00 to \$100.00.

Trustee Seehausen stated that the State of Illinois recently submitted June income tax revenue to the Village. July through December 2010 are still outstanding.

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Trustee Honea stated that the Fire Department has "nowhere else to cut" since it is a volunteer department and much of the required labor is performed by its volunteers. Trustee Honea suggested the Village consider consolidating its phone systems and office supplies purchasing. The Clerk advised the Board that several months ago a pricing survey of office supply companies was completed. Walton Office Supplies gave the Village the best prices. All Village departments have been directed to use Walton and take advantage of the pricing.

## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Seehausen moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:09 PM ON DECEMBER 30, 2010	
	Louis Sherman, Village President
Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk	