

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 21ST day of March, 2011 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. presiding.

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Police Chief Richard Stutz and Community Center Director Diane Rossi.

The Village Clerk entertained a motion to appoint a temporary chairperson in the absence of the Village President. Trustee Peterson made a motion to appoint Trustee Tom Seehausen as temporary chairperson. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen took over the Chair.

MINUTES

Trustee Honea moved that the reading of the February 7th Board Meeting minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written, as all members have copies. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

The Economic Development Committee will meet at the Village Hall on Monday, March 28th at 7pm.

Trustee Peterson asked Code Enforcement to contact the KMR Trucking Company to schedule a meeting regarding noise abatement at their location.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

None

BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table an intergovernmental agreement from School District 194 in regards to Policing of School District Properties. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Village Attorney Frank Burkey will be re-writing certain language in the agreement. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Amnesty Program, as presented by Receivables Management, Inc. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Banicki made a motion to table ORDINANCE NO. 850-1 REGULATING SIGNS until changes can be paid by the Village Attorney regarding residential signs. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 994 A Resolution stating the Village of Steger's Opposition to Certain Changes to the Illinois Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

The Clerk stated that a Notice to Corporate Authorities of the Village of Steger from Mayor Louis Sherman designating Trustee Kenneth Peterson to sign documents in his absence is expected March 22, 2011.

An informational Presentation by Vicki Meilach of South Suburban Family Shelter. The center provides assistance to victims of domestic abuse.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve a request from Tim Perchinski of the Fire and Police Board for funding in the amount of \$800.00 to administer the Police Sergeant's Promotional Testing. Trustee Peterson stated that while the Village is not planning on promoting an officer to Sergeant at this time, it is required by the State of Illinois that a current Sergeant's list is on file. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request of Sandra Gibbs to host the 5th Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Friday April 15th from 7 to 9:30pm and Saturday, April 16th from 8am to noon at the open field kitty corner from Fire Station No. 1. The grass on the lot will be mowed prior to the event. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee made a motion to ratify the Board action of March 7th regarding the annual Summer Band. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table the proposed Summer Band budget, until the April 18th Board meeting. A local service organization has asked for thirty days to consider donating up to 50% of the Band budget. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to approve the request from Steger Little League to hold its annual opening day parade on Saturday April 23rd starting at 11am. The parade will begin at the Community Center on Hopkins, continue north to Steger Road, west to Morgan and Morgan north to Hecht Park. All parade participants will ride in vehicles. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request from Steger Neighborhood Watch to use Veterans Park on Saturday, May 21st from 9am to 4pm for its 2nd Annual Steger Clean-Up Day. They have also requested use of the Village's dumpsters for disposal of collected trash and to use picnic tables at the park for volunteers' lunch. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Village Clerk's Request to advertise for bids for:

Stone & Gravel

Concrete Work

Asphalt

Tree Trimming and Removal of Village trees

Maintenance of Lawns at Vacant Properties in the Village

Heating and Air Conditioning Maintenance Service for Village Owned Buildings

Janitorial Services at The Village Hall, Police Department and Community Center

Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Chairperson Seehausen voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting of the Finance has been canceled.

The Clerk reminded those in attendance to vote in the April 5th Consolidated election.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Rebecca DeLaCerde, Science teacher from Bloom Trail High School requested that the Board help to promote High School registration by placing flyers at the Village Hall and a notice on the Village Marquee.

Dara Erickson and "The Critter Crew" addressed the Board and requested permission to plant a vegetable and fruit garden at the Village Park located at 35th Street and Susan Lane. The children have been cleaning up parks in the area and have suggestions for improvements to the park. Chairperson Seehausen requested information regarding suggestions from "The Critter Crew" be submitted in writing to the Village Hall.

Michael Porter of Royal Oak Estates addressed the Board. Mr. Porter inquired about the status of manhole repairs in Royal Oak Estates. Mr. Porter noticed some repairs done on Jim Johnson Lane and wanted repairs for Royal Oak Estates. Jim Johnson Lane was repaired with escrow funds set aside by the developer of Jim Johnson Lane. Mr. Porter stated that manholes that need repair are at 325, 305, 309, 324 and 327 Royal Oak. Department of Public Works will inspect the manholes March 22nd.

Mr. Porter also inquired about the positioning of a possible subdivision monument structure. Mr. Porter was told that the Building Department is looking into the placement of the subdivision monument. The Building Department will contact him soon.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Kozy moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:37 PM

Louis Sherman

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk