

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 19TH day of September, 2011 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with President Sherman in the Chair and presiding and Village Board Secretary Cindy Pauley attending.

The Village Board Secretary called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox and Police Chief Richard Stultz. Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. as absent.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the August 15th minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written, as all members have copies. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski asked that Steve Thurmond of ***Doing your Best for Steger Pride*** be allowed to make a presentation at this point in the meeting. Thurmond presented Sissy Smith with the ***Doing your Best for Steger Pride*** quarterly award plaque as well as a One hundred Dollar Gift Card donated by Tim Perchinski.

TRUSTEE PERCHINSKI'S REPORT

Trustee Perchinski deferred to Fire Chief Martinez. Chief Martinez reported that the Fire Department ran 99 calls in August, 86 ambulance calls and 13 fire calls. The Fire Department provided mutual aid 11 times during the month, but needed no mutual aid in that time. There was 45 hours of training. Deputy Chief Roesner and Chief Martinez attended the Wilco Chiefs meeting and will host the September meeting. The Fire Station #1 parking area has been blacktopped and the north side of the building graded. Chief Martinez reported that the 3 Six Mafia Concert at Another Hole in the Wall was managed by the Fire, Police and ESDA Departments of the Village. Grant applications have been submitted for anticipated funding in excess of \$500,000.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson announced that K-9 Officer Jeff Pogose has left the Police Department to accept another position. Trustee Peterson made a motion to allow the K-9 dog to stay with Officer Pogose rather than retrain the 8 year old dog to work with another officer. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Police Chief Stultz reported that in August the Police Department responded to 1159 calls for service that included 51 moving violations and 53 arrests.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

Trustee Lopez deferred to Joe Formentini, Recreation Chairperson. Mr. Formentini reported that the 5th & 6th Grade Basketball team placed 3rd in the North American Youth Sports Tournament. Volleyball registration begins October 1st. Foremntini stated that baseball is trying to put together some games for fall baseball. Football and Cheerleading registrations are down from last season.

Trustee Lopez reported that registration is underway for Tumble Bears, Karate and Dance Classes.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen reported that in August all water samples came back from ILEPA as satisfactory and the Water Department repaired 4 water main breaks.

Trustee Seehausen also reported that cleaning and televising of sewer lines will take place on 35th Street from Chicago Road to Lewis beginning October 3rd. Mr. Seehausen stated that some noise may be heard in the overnight hours during these cleanings.

Department of Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox reviewed daily duties of Public Works including water meter readings, lawn mowing and main breaks. Mr. Cox suggested to the Board, that a five year plan be instituted whereby Village Water Towers can be budgeted for rehabilitation. Trustee Peterson recommended Mr. Cox prepare a five year plan and present it to the Board.

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

Trustee Banicki reported that in August the Building Department issued 54 permits for total revenue of \$6,716.00. 80 re occupancy inspections were completed for total revenue of \$4,000. Code Enforcement also responded to 58 complaints.

Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers reported that Code Enforcement has been writing c tickets for "failure to display Village Vehicle stickers". Thus far the Department has issued over 600 tickets. Myers stated that he and Officer Brown participate in Housing Hearings, A/O Hearings and C ticket Hearings monthly. Myers is working on "Crime Free Housing" and Health Code Violations.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to hold payment for an Invoice from Chicago International Trucks until work performed meets with Village's approval. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen also made a motion that an invoice from Helsel Jepperson in the amount of \$45.00 be moved from Road and Bridge to Corporate. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the remaining bills for payment as funds allow. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Board Secretary read the gross payroll for August 2011 which was \$193,961.29.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of August 2011, which was \$29,573.59.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for August 2011:

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX	\$48,969.61	June 2011
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX	\$25,734.04	June 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$90,044.31	April 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	May 2011-DELAY
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	June 2011-DELAY
REPLACEMENT TAX	\$ 974.79	July 2011
LOCAL USE TAX	\$11,245.56	July 2011
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$20,910.95	July 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$21,708.71	July 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 5,397.54	July 2011
WILL COUNTY FINES	\$ 988.00	July 2011
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 745.96	May 2011
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 6,563.70	June 2011

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the Collector's Report and place it on file. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from Bloom Township Senior Director Sheryl Ford thanking the Village Board for its contribution to the annual Senior Citizens Picnic.

A letter from the Steger/South Chicago Heights Library thanking the Village Board for waiving the Library's Building Permit fee.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve An Intergovernmental Agreement with Illinois Department of Transportation and the Village of Steger for traffic signals maintenance using the new verbage regarding indemnity, as approved by the Village Attorney. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table indefinitely a request to adopt Illinois Public Act 097-0236 - Crime Free Rental Housing Act . Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to strike discussion on increasing maximums for nuisance fines. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1018 REQUIRING SCRAP COLLECTORS TO REGISTER WITH VILLAGE POLICE Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table Sound Amplification Ordinance in coordination with Public Act 097-0115. Trustee Perchinski stated that purchase of a decible meter will need to be researched prior to adopting the ordinance. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to ratify Board action August 24, 2011 approving Resolution No. 967-1 regarding the No Cash Bid application. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to ratify the Board action on August 31, 2011, accepting the low bid of Iroquois Paving Corp. of \$211,326.10 for the CDBG Project #10-043. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez made a motion to ratify the Board action approving Roger Anderson of 22840 Frederick Road's request to hold a luau at his property on September 17th from 4 to 10pm including entertainment by a D.J.. Mr. Anderson will use his property

for parking and a tent. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Proposal by Franklin Burkey for Attorney/Administrator for the Community Development Block Grant program year 2011-2012. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1001 AUTHORIZING VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL/ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1002 AUTHORIZING VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH M. LIZEN FOR ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN DONATED REAL ESTATE PROPERTY. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Banicki discussed a proposed contract for Municipal Waste Disposal for a five year period. The contract will include street sweeping on curbed streets, recycling and yard waste pick up. It is anticipated to cost less per home than homeowners are currently charged at this time. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to allow the clerk's office to go out to bid for Waste Disposal, as per the proposed contract. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted no. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of South Chicago Heights for Emergency Dispatching. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried. Police Chief Stultz stated that after more than two years of negotiations, it will be beneficial to the Village of Steger to move forward on the agreement with the Village of South Chicago Heights.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the proposal from MW Leasing for a copier for the Fire Department. The new lease will save the Fire Department approximately \$20.00 per month. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion, Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request from Steger Neighborhood Watch to use the Village's "No parking after 2" of snow fall" signs to mount Neighborhood Watch signs. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion.

Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the recommendation by the Plan Commission regarding 3620 Wallace Avenue. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the proposal from Call One regarding telephone service in all Village departments. Call One is expected to save the Village over \$17,000.00. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of The Girl Scouts of Greater Chicago and Northwest Indiana to conduct their annual sales programs in the Village. The Girl Scouts hold their Fall Product Program in October and in January their Cookie Sale. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Trustee Perchinski requested the Girl Scouts also provide the Village with a certificate of insurance. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table consideration of the Driving the Dixie 2012. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Girl Scout Troop #007 to use the Village meeting room from 6:30 to 8:30pm on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month beginning September 26th and ending in June 2012. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table the Business License Application of **Golden Deals** at 3333 Chicago Road. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion regarding the businesses practices to insure property purchased is not stolen, Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Business License Application of **Cash for Gold** at 27 E. 34th Street, pending inspections. A Cash for Gold representative stated that pictures of the property are taken and photo I.D.'s are required of property sellers. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Business License Application of **Room to Move** (from 3324 Chicago Road) to 3729 Chicago Road, pending inspections. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

A resident thanked the Board for its open meeting. He expressed gratitude for having been welcomed to the meeting and given the opportunity to see how decisions for the Village are made.

Steve Thurmond expressed thanks for the successful concert security provided by the Village Police, Fire and ESDA at the recent event at Another Hole in the Wall. Thurmond also asked Chief Stultz for clarification of domestic vs civil incidents. Thurmond was assured by Chief Stultz, that the incident he questioned resulted arrests of all offenders.

Joe Formentini stated that Safety Weekend will be held October 8 and 9 at Kmart.

Don Miller of Another Hole in the Wall thanked the Village Departments for security during the recent 3Six Mafia Concert at his venue.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:54pm. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

At 8:21pm, The Board returned from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:22PM

Louis Sherman

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk