

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 3rd day of October, 2011 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 Perchinski. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, ESDA Director Roger Mumford and Police Chief Richard Stultz.

**MINUTES**

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the September 19<sup>th</sup> minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written, as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy 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'S REPORT**

Trustee Perchinski deferred to Fire Chief Martinez. Chief Martinez reported that the Fire Department ran 96 calls in September, 80 ambulance calls and 16 fire calls. There were 57 hours of training. The Fire Department hosted the annual MABAS 27 meeting. Breakfast for the meeting was donated by Raspberry's Restaurant. Recently, Forty Five children from Eastview School were given a tour of the Fire Station. The Fire Department also participated in a panel discussion at School District 194 for new teachers.

**TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT**

Trustee Peterson announced that the Economic Development Committee will meet at 7pm this Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

Trustee Peterson presented the Mayor with a token of appreciation from Dixie Dash Committee for the Village's recent event. Trustee Peterson also distributed minutes from the previous Dixie Dash meeting to all trustees. He thanked all participants for their efforts.

For the Police Department, Trustee Peterson stated that work continues on the agreement with South Chicago Heights for the dispatch center. He offered a summary of the agreement and suggested the Village Attorney begin drafting an intergovernmental agreement based on the summary terms.

Police Chief Stultz reported that in September the Police Department responded to 1,457 calls for service that included 56 moving violations and 28 arrests.

### **TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT**

Trustee Lopez deferred to Diane Rossi, Community Center Director. Mrs. Rossi reported that the Community Center is now accepting Volleyball and Basketball registration. She also stated that work on the Gymnasium floor is complete and invited the Trustees to come by and see it.

Joe Formentini, Recreation Chairperson reported that Basketball is holding a camp this coming weekend. The camp is being held by Phil Henderson formerly of the Dallas Mavericks.

### **TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT**

Trustee Kozy deferred to ESDA Director Roger Mumford. Mr. Mumford reported that payment has been received from FEMA for reimbursement of the Village's expenses during last winter's blizzard in the amount of \$21,849.90.

Mr. Mumford also states that October 17<sup>th</sup> he'll be attending an Illinois EPA meeting and will attempt to secure grant funds for Storm Water Management.

He also reported that CDBG street work will begin this week on parts of Peoria, 35<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup> Streets.

### **TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT**

Trustee Seehausen reported that in September all water samples came back from ILEPA as satisfactory and the Water Department repaired 7 water main breaks.

### **TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT**

Trustee Banicki reported that in September the Building Department issued 40 permits for total revenue of \$12,662.00

### **BILLS**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the 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 Clerk read the gross payroll for September 2011 which was \$311,346.32.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of September 2011, which was \$30,790.66.

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

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX	\$51,515.36	July 2011
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX	\$25,319.76	July 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$57,127.16	May 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	July 2011-DELAY
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	June 2011-DELAY
LOCAL USE TAX	\$12,425.59	August 2011
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$20,534.51	August 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$28,793.48	August 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 4,496.95	August 2011
WILL COUNTY FINES	\$ 2,245.00	August 2011
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 0.00	July 2011-DELAY

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

**FIREMEN'S THIRD QUARTER PAYROLL**

Trustee Kozy made a motion to approve the Firemen's Third Quarter Payroll. 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.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the termination of the lease agreement with Clear Wireless LLC effective 9/30/11 so that the lease agreement with the Village can be reviewed. 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.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to strike the Sound Amplification Ordinance in coordination with Public Act 097-0115 (tabled 9/19/11) . 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 table An Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of South Chicago Heights for Emergency Dispatching. (tabled 9/19/11) 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 Peterson made a motion to table Considerations for Driving the Dixie 2012 (tabled 9/19/11). Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion table the Business License Application of Golden Deals at 3333 Chicago Road, pending inspections. (tabled 9/19/11) and ask Golden Deals to attend the next Board meeting. Trustee Petechinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman and Trustee Seehausen voted no. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO.1019 REGULATING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PRE-OWNED MERCHANDISE IN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, WILL AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS. 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 Peterson made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1003 AUTHORIZNG ENTRY INTO A CDBG SUB-GRANTEE AGREEMENT. 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 Banicki made a motion to table an appointment by the Mayor of Al Martinez as Fire Chief for the coming year. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. Trustee Seehausen voted no. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion discontinue Housing Hearings through the winter months, resuming April 28, 2012 as requested by Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to eliminate the Village Finance Committee and direct the Village Attorney to draft an ordinance to do the same. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Mayor Sherman presented Dara Erickson and the Critter Crew with a Certificate of Appreciation for their efforts in cleaning up parks and neighborhoods.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to loan six (6) picnic tables to Kmart for the Annual Kmart Safety Weekend October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve Chris Ramirez and Luis Caballero as probationary Firefighters, pending background checks and physical examinations. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the temporary business license application of Clara's Inspirational Dance Studio at 3218 Chicago Road, Suite B, pending inspections. 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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Dara Erickson of the Critter Crew stated that the paper recycling dumpster should be delivered to the Village parking lot by the end of next week. Ms. Erickson asked that everyone use the dumpster to recycle their paper.

Kevin McCarty of 3226 Sofia Court discussed his concerns regarding his subdivision. The developer went out of business and the subdivision has not been accepted by the Village. McCarty stated that weeds grow, roads are unplowed and unsalted and that road is not finished. McCarty asked if there were escrow funds available to complete the road and provide village services. He also expressed his dissatisfaction with having no Village services and having to pay his taxes and purchase Village stickers. Trustee Peterson asked McCarty to provide his telephone number for them to further discuss.

Michelle Helsel stated that the School District has been in contact with Bill Cox of Public Works to change the location of the crosswalk at Parkview School. Trustee Seehausen assured Ms. Helsel that he and Supt. Cox will discuss the crosswalk this week.

Jim Patrevito commented on a portion of Union Avenue at Richton Road where a number of vehicles along the road and are unplatd. Patrevito states that the vehicles in question do not have Village stickers. Mayor Sherman assured Mr. Patrevito that Code Enforcement will get on it tomorrow.

Michael Petreikis of 22711 Woodlawn asked to meet with Trustee Peterson and the Village Attorney following the meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:34pm. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

At 8:20pm, The Board returned from Executive Session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:21PM**

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Louis Sherman

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk