

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 17<sup>th</sup> 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, Peterson and Perchinski. Trustee Lopez was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers, Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox, ESDA Director Roger Mumford and Police Chief Richard Stultz.

**MINUTES**

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the October 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written, as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

**TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT**

Trustee Banicki deferred to Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers. Mr. Myers reported that in September the Building Department issued 40 permits for total revenue of \$12,662.00 and completed 53 Re occupancy inspections for total revenue of \$2,650.00. Code Enforcement also issued an additional 250 C-tickets for failure to display Village stickers. Myers also stated that five cars have been removed from the property at Richton Road and Union Avenue as requested by residents at the previous Board meeting. Two cars remain and should be moved by Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> of October.

**TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT**

Trustee Seehausen deferred to Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox. Mr. Cox reported the since the last Board meeting, Public Works repaired two water main breaks and has been working on removal of asphalt and concrete from the Public Works storage hill. Public Works has been preparing its fleet of trucks for winter. All water samples have tested as satisfactory.

**TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT**

Trustee Kozy deferred to Roger Mumford who stated that ESDA will be out in full force on Halloween to assist the Police Department in keeping everyone safe. As Project Manager, Mr. Mumford met with AT&T regarding the damaged wires at the ditch that was to be repaired in an attempt to alleviate flooding on the east side of town. AT&T will be moving the lines overhead or move them under the creek bed. This will be completed in the next two weeks.

CDBG Street repairs on Peoria, 35<sup>th</sup> & 37<sup>th</sup> have been coldmilled, curbs have been repaired and ADA walkways installed. Work will continue next week and paving to follow.

A punch list for Southtown Commons has been prepared for the Village Engineer.

### **TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT**

No report

### **TRUSTEE PERCHINSKI'S REPORT**

No report

### **BILLS**

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

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table An Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of South Chicago Heights for Emergency Dispatching. (tabled 9/19 & 10/3, 2011) until the Village attorney can complete the agreement. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion, Trustee Peterson made a motion approve Veterans Park as the site for Driving the Dixie 2012 Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Matt Wenzel asked that the Village provide hot dogs and portable restrooms for the event. Mayor Sherman suggested that as in the past, the Kiwanis and Chamber of Commerce will be invited to provide the hot dogs and restrooms for the event. Mr. Wenzel stated that a tent will not be needed at Veterans Park as the pavilion can be used.

Trustee Banicki made a motion table the Business License Application of Golden Deals at 3333 Chicago Road, pending inspections. (tabled 9/19 & 10/3, 2011) and ask Golden Deals to attend the next Board meeting. Trustee Petechinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table an appointment by the Mayor of Al Martinez as Fire Chief for the coming year. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Banicki 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 by the Village attorney. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1020 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 988 (FINANCE COMMITTEE). Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table the request from Mayor Sherman to amend the Village Personnel Policy with regard to salaried employees. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion, to declare certain items acquired at the M. Lizen building, as surplus property and put them out to bid with Obenauf On Line Auctions. Chief Stultz recommended that two squad cars and a truck belonging to the Police Department be included. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion, Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table the request from Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox in regards to changing Village water meter reading system to “radio reads”. The Village would absorb the \$89.00 per home cost and receive \$40,000 in software and equipment at no charge. Trustee Seehausen recommended that a representative from Neptune attend the next Village Board meeting to answer the Board’s questions. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of Matt Wenzel of the Fire and Police Board to use the Village Meeting room on the first Wednesdays of each month beginning in December. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request from Michael Riley of Cub Scout Pack 173 to use the Village Meeting Room the first Tuesdays of each month from 7 to 9pm. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Trustee Peterson abstained. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request from Michael Riley of Cub Scout Pack 173 to use Veterans Park on Friday, October 21st from 7 to 9 pm for a meeting and a fire using a fire pit. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Trustee Peterson abstained. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request from Jolynda Reyes to attend the Illinois Municipal Treasurers Institute November 15-17th. Registration fee is \$235.00 and the hotel rate is \$99.00 per night. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion approve the annual service agreement with Corpro for Water Storage Tank Maintenance. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trick or Treat hours are 3 to 6pm on Monday, October 31st. Annual Halloween Bonfire will follow trick or treating at Veterans Park. Refreshments will be served.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

A resident inquired as to the cost of installation in man hours of the radio read water meter system. Superintendent Cox assured him the time will be minimal. Only one wire needs to be connected inside the home and the radio read will be mounted on the outside of the home.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 7:19pm. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

At 8:00pm, 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 8:01PM**

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Louis Sherman

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk