

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 6th day of February, 2012 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 and Perchinski. Trustee Peterson was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, ESDA Director Roger Mumford, Code Enforcement Officer Edward Myers, and Police Chief Richard Stultz.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the 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 referred to Code Enforcement Officer Edward Myers. Mr. Myers reported that in January there were thirteen (13) permits issued for total revenue of \$1,756.00.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen referred to Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox. Mr. Cox reported that in January all samples taken came back from ILEPA as satisfactory. The Water Department repaired three main breaks in the month of January. Mr. Cox also stated that much less than anticipated salt was used, due to the mild winter weather.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy referred to ESDA Director/Project Manager Roger Mumford. Mr. Mumford reported that in January he worked with the CDBG Administrator identifying CDBG projects, worked on getting the Village Hall roof repaired, researched possible grant opportunities for the Village, Storm Water Management and street lights maintenance.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

Trustee Lopez referred to Community Center Director Diane Rossi. Mrs. Rossi reported that the Community Center will be closed in observance of Presidents Day

on Monday, February 20th. Mrs. Rossi also stated that a fundraiser will be held on March 3rd at Balmoral Park to raise money for children's programs.

Joe Formentini, Recreation Board President reported that 164 children are participating in the Volleyball program and 155 children in Basketball (1st through 8th grades).

Trustee Lopez reported that in the first month of new garbage service that includes recycling, the residents of Steger recycled more than 66,000 lbs.

TRUSTEE PERCHINSKI'S REPORT

Trustee Perchinski referred to Fire Chief Al Martinez. Chief Martinez reported that in January the Fire Department responded to 67 ambulance calls and 16 fire calls. There were 87 hours of trainings. There were a total of 1,108 calls in 2011. Four firefighters participated in a building construction class and a fire service seminar in Champaign.

The Steger Fire Department was recently notified by Senator Dick Durbin's office that the Department has been awarded the FEMA grant in the amount of \$350,000 to be used for the purchase of a new fire truck. It is a 5% matching grant.

Senator Durbin's office called again later to notify the Department that another grant in the amount of \$198,900.00 has been awarded to the Steger Fire Department for training towers.

The Department is negotiating with Prairie State College to send firefighters to classes there at no cost.

Police Chief Richard Stultz reported that Joe Formentini, a loss prevention officer at Kmart was recently involved assisting the Village of Steger Police Department, Secret Service and other nearby Police Department in apprehending counterfeiters.

BILLS

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

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for January 2012 which was \$241,537.37.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of January 2012, which was \$34,232.25.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for January 2012:

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX	\$45,731.62	November 2011
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX	\$24,142.77	November 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$49,005.94	August 2011
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	Sept. 2011-DELAY
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	Oct. 2011-DELAY
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 46,672.76	November 2011
REPLACEMENT TAX	\$ 4,003.73	December 2011
LOCAL USE TAX	\$11,296.37	December 2011
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$20,129.07	December 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$16,622.42	December 2011
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 9,559.95	December 2011
WILL COUNTY FINES	\$ 370.00	November 2011
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 1,143.00	December 2011
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 694.02	November 2011

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 and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the reconsideration of KMR Trucking's business license. (tabled December 19, 2011 and January 2, 2012)
Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made the motion to approve the temporary business license application of Signature Sports Bar and Grill at 3215 Union Avenue pending inspections. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 804.11 AMENDING CHAPTER SIX, SECTION 6-76 ENTITLED LIMITATIONS ON LICENSES (Signature Sports Bar & Grill at 3215 Union Ave.) Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1010 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF STEGER TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FOR

AND ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1011 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE CHAPTER #117. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1012 AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT ON EMERGENCY DISPATCH SERVICES BETWEEN THE VILLAGES OF STEGER AND SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of Police Chief Richard Stultz regarding the hiring of new dispatchers; one immediately and another in March. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to ratify the January 6th Board Action allowing the Steger Fire and Police Board to use the meeting room on January 21st and 29th for Patrolman's Oral Exams. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to ratify the Board action on January 12th approving limited snow plowing activity at Gabriella Estates and Executive Estates. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to ratify the January 18th Board Action approving a repair to the Fire Department's ladder truck at a cost of \$6,176.15. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the address change from 3729 to 3725 Chicago Road as requested by Loren Harn of Room to Move Dance & Fitness Studio Co-op. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez made a motion to allow Illinois Lutheran School in Crete to use Veterans Park for the 2012 spring season. Practices would begin in early March and conclude by the middle of May. Mr. Kjenstad will work with the Village baseball programs to avoid scheduling conflicts. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table the request from Anthony DeLuca of Skyline Disposal Company that the Village amend its annual scavenger license fees. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Superintendent of Public Works for expenses for his annual American Water Works Conference trip March 19th – 22nd. Out of pocket expenses for meals and gas are expected to be approximately \$150.00. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy and Lopez. Trustee Perchinski voted no. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the request from the Keeling Family Foundation to place receptacles in the Village to collect unwanted electronics waste for recycling. The Keeling Family Foundation will use proceeds from the recycled e-waste to provide free computer training to military veterans. The Village will review possible locations for the receptacles. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request for permission to declare the Fire Department copier as surplus property and put it out to bid. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Fire Chief 's request for approval of Bill Hall as the Fire Department Chaplain. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of Fire Chief Al Martinez for approval of Ryan Boren, Michael Urzendowski, Monica Ciarlo and Erin Pisani as probationary Firefighters, pending background checks and physical examinations. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table Fire Chief Al Martinez' request for approval of the Steger Fire Department's Comprehensive Drivers Training Policy. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Temporary Business License Application of Aura Hair Studio at 432 W. 34th Street, pending inspections. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Steger Area Chamber of Commerce's request to hold the following special events:

Cruise Nights: Wednesdays from 5:00 pm until 9:00 pm
May 2 through October 24, 2012 in the Village Common's Parking lot.

Craft Fair: Saturday, July 14, 2012 from 7:00 am until 5:00 pm at
Veterans Park

October Fest: September 29-30th, 2012 from noon until 11:00 pm. at
Halsted Boulevard from 34th to 35th Streets.

Trees on the Boulevard: November 23, 2012 through January 3, 2013 on
Halsted Boulevard.

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

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to hold the next Village Board meeting on February 21st due to the Presidents Day holiday. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote: all ayes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Village Hall will be closed Monday February 20th in observance of Presidents Day. The Village Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday February 21st at 7pm.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Jeff Watson of 3749 Union Avenue approached the Board. Mr. Watson asked that a motor home with no valid plates or village sticker at a home next to his home be removed or ticketed.

Bill Joyce of 3201 Hopkins thanked the Public Works Department for repairing the alley as he requested at the previous meeting.

Mayor Sherman appointed Jeff Roesner as Fire Chief effective April 1, 2012. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to confirm the Mayor's appointment. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried. The audience congratulated Deputy Chief Roesner.

7:38pm Trustee Seehausen made a motion to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss property sale litigation and personnel. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion.

8:08pm Mayor Sherman called the meeting back to order. The Clerk called the roll. The following trustees were present; Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Perchinski and President Sherman.

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 8:09pm

Louis Sherman

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk