

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 4TH day of February, 2013 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, Perchinski and Peterson. Trustee Lopez was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox, ESDA Coordinator Norman Flaig, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Fire Chief Jeff Roesner and Police Chief Richard Stultz.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the minutes of the previous Board Meeting 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, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

Trustee Banicki reported that in January The Building Department issued 27 new permits for total revenue of \$3,384.00 for the month.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen referred to Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox. Supt. Cox reported that in January the Department was called out twice to salt Village streets, due to weather conditions. Mr. Cox asked the Board to consider the purchase of a new flail mower. The flail mower is used to mow parks, schools and roadway easements. Mr. Cox will contact the school district for their input on sharing the cost of a new flail mower.

The grant application for reforestation of trees throughout the Village due to the Emerald Ash Borer has been submitted to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus. The review process is expected to take one month.

In the past two weeks, the department repaired two water main breaks. In 2012 the department repaired 53 main breaks, replaced 3 fire hydrants and 6 in line main valves.

Mr. Cox reported that Well #3 is losing pumping performance. Layne Western was called out and will begin making repairs to the well. It is anticipated to take two 8 hour days at a cost of about \$4,200.00 per day for labor and equipment.

TRUSTEE PERCHINSKI'S REPORT

Trustee Perchinski referred to Fire Chief Roesner. Chief Roesner reported that in January, the Fire Department responded to 120 calls; 25 fire and 90 medical (5 cards punched in error). The Department provided mutual aid 18 times, and received mutual/auto aid 13 times. There were 57 hours of basic firefighting class and 159.5 hours of fire training.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ' REPORT

In Trustee Lopez' absence, Community Center Director Diane Rossi gave her report. Mrs. Rossi reported that the generator is now completely installed and a test of the system has been performed. The Community Center is now a warming/cooling center for residents.

Mrs. Rossi also reported that registration for Softball for girls 7-14 years and Flag Football for 5-14 year olds has begun. Information is available at the front desk.

Recreation Board President Harry Hammock reported that basketball is underway with 148 players. The season will end March 9th. The playoffs will follow the end of the season.

Flag Football will be played on Sunday afternoons. Little League registrations will be accepted at Kmart Sunday February 9th. Girls Softball is preparing for its season with registrations beginning this weekend.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that the employee training has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 27th at 7pm; location to be determined.

On March 21st, Trustee Peterson will meet with School District #194 and on March 15th he'll meet with Will County Economic Development a corporation for the Funk Linko project. He will be discussing partnership on the project with both of them. Trustee Peterson will be scheduling a meeting with Prairie State to discuss the partnership.

Trustee Peterson presented a commendation to Melissa Donegan for working with a hysterical parent whose child was having a seizure and had stopped breathing. Ashley Wathen took control of the dispatch center so that Donegan could remain on the phone with the parent. Trustee Peterson thanked the dispatchers for a job well done.

Chief Stultz reported that in January, the Police Department responded to 1,234 total calls, 52 A/O tickets, 22 long form tickets, and 44 parking tickets and made 16 arrests.

TRUSTEE KOZY’S REPORT

Trustee Kozy referred to ESDA Acting Coordinator Norman Flaig. Mr. Flaig reported that in the January, ESDA responded to 27 calls, 8 were accidents, 1 was a fire, 4 special detail calls, 11 mutual aid and a call for mutual aid to South Chicago Heights; a total of 174.5 hours of service.

BILLS

Trustee Seehasuen made a motion to pay the bills as listed when funds are available. 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.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None

COLLECTOR’S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for January, 2013 which was \$226,087.82.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of January 2013, which was \$ \$38,813.97 .

The Village Clerk read the following Collector’s Report for January 2013

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX	\$42,060.15	November 2012
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX	\$23,023.56	November 2012
STATE INCOME TAX	\$79,568.42	September 2012
STATE INCOME TAX	\$0.00	OCT 2012-DELAY
STATE INCOME TAX	\$0.00	NOV 2012 - DELAY
REPLACEMENT TAX	\$4,105.54	December 2012
LOCAL USE TAX	\$12,335.44	December 2012
VIDEO GAMING	\$448.38	November 2012
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$19,810.09	December 2012
UTILITY REVENUE	\$16,989.68	December 2012
UTILITY REVENUE	\$9,155.38	December 2012
WILL COUNTY FINES	\$94.00	December 2012
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$220.06	October 2012
COOK COUNTY REAL ESTATE TAXES	\$1,845.13	January 2013
WILL COUNTY REAL ESTATE TAXES	\$0.00	January 2013

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, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1036 PARKING RESTRICTION IN 3400 BLOCK OF KINGS ROAD. Trustee Perchinski 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 Peterson made a motion to adopt the Proclamation recognizing the month of February as Boy Scouts of America Month. 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 Peterson invited Funk Linko Project Manager Mike Sabo to discuss the Funk Linko project with the Board. Mr. Sabo explained that Funk Linko is an 87 year old company that has recently relocated to Steger. The company is a manufacturing business interested in adding a CNC training facility for robotic welding. Trustee Peterson stated that Funk Linko is looking to expand and possibly getting a rail spur at their facility. Trustee Peterson explained that this is part of the partnership with School District #194, #206 and Prairie State College he's working on. Trustee Peterson also explained that expanding the Village's TIF District past Kmart on Chicago Road could create a corridor with even more development.

Trustee Peterson suggested that the Village enter into "Task 1" with Kane, McKenna and Associates at an estimated cost of \$7,500 to \$10,500. Task 2 & 3 would be entered into when Kane, McKenna suggests the Village do so. The money would come from the TIF fund for Task 1. Trustee Peterson made the motion, seconded by Trustee Perchinski. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Peterson and Perchinski. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Sgt Patrick Rossi, President of the Steger Police Pension Board discussed the funding of the Pension as requested by Trustee Peterson. Sgt. Rossi explained the Pension Board's funding problems are due to the poor economy, the number of retirees and other factors. Sgt. Rossi explained that the Village's contribution to the fund varies and comes from the Village accountant. The Pension funds' Actuary's

recommendation and that of the IL Dept. of Insurance vary from the Village's accountant. These factors
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A copy of Sgt. Rossi's presentation is included in the official minutes. Trustee Peterson asked Sgt. Rossi to invite the Pension funds' Actuary to attend an April 2013 Board meeting to discuss the options before the Board. Sgt. Rossi explained that the Pension Board could prepare an actuarial and the cost could be split between the Board and the Village. Sgt. Rossi explained that the cost of the actuarial is \$2,100.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to enter into three Intergovernmental agreements with the Will County 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board and the Village of Steger's Fire Department, Police Department and PSAP. Trustee Perchinski 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 Peterson made a motion to approve the Execution of the CDBG Documents for 2013 construction, as requested by CDBG Administrator Joseph Schudt. Trustee Perchinski 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 Perchinski made a motion to allow South Suburban Family Shelter to use the Village meeting room twice monthly for domestic violence intervention. They have requested use of the meeting room on Thursday, February 28th from 3 to 9pm and the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9am to 3pm. At this time, the weekday evenings have not been scheduled. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice Vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox to attend the annual Water Conference in Springfield March 18th -20th at a cost of \$250.00, plus lodging and expenses. 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 Perchinski made a motion to approve probationary employee Todd Evers as permanent full time employment with the Department of Public Works as requested by Superintendent Bill Cox. 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 Perchinski made a motion to approve John Magierski as a probationary firefighter, as requested by Fire Chief Jeff Roesner. Magierski has passed his background check. Trustee Seehasuen seconded the motion. Voice Vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Clerk announced that a high bid of \$3,773.00 was accepted and finalized February 4th at 10:15am for the sale of surplus property (fire truck).

The Steger Village Hall will be closed on February 18th in observance of the Presidents Day Holiday.

The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, February 19th at 7pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:00pm

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and to review Executive Session minutes. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice Vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

9:10pm the Board returned to regular session. Trustee Peterson made a motion that the minutes on List Two be released and the minutes on List One remain sealed. 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.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:11pm

Louis Sherman

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk