The Board of Trustees convened in regular session at 7:00 P.M. on this 15th day of April, 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, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Acting ESDA Coordinator Norman Flaig, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Code Enforcement Officer Edward Myers, 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. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen reported that all trees that were removed have been stumped and the chippings removed and replaced with black dirt.

Hydrant flushing will begin April 16th and continue through the summer months.

Trustee Seehausen reported the IEPA permits are being held up due to the drawings being out of scale. Water Solutions Unlimited is working to correct the drawings.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE LOPEZ' REPORT

Trustee Lopez referred to Community Center Director Diane Rossi. Mrs. Rossi reported that softball registration for girls 7-14 years of age is complete. This year's "Summer Club" will be held on Mondays from 1-3pm June 17th to August 12th. New this summer is “The Art of Dance” with Felicia Polanski. Spring activity brochures are available for pick up.

Trustee Seehausen advised Trustee Lopez to contact Public Works Foreman Ed Pansa regarding softball/baseball fields in the absence of Superintendent Bill Cox.
Reports of the Trustees (cont.)

TRUSTEE PETERSON’S REPORT

Trustee Peterson asked for a moment of silence to reflect on and pray for the people of Boston as they go through the event impacting the Boston Marathon.

Trustee Peterson referred to Police Chief Stultz. Chief Stultz reported that in March the Police responded to 1,482 total calls, 47 long form tickets, 16 arrests, 70 local ordinance violations and 45 parking tickets.

TRUSTEE PERCHINSKI’S REPORT

None

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

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Brendan of Burrink Commercial Services suggested the Board accept his low bid for concrete work.

Jeff Watson of 3749 Union Avenue thanked the Board and the Chief of Police for the recent Citizen’s Police Academy.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve Edward Fitzgerald’s request for a budget of $3,000 for the Village’s Summer Band program. Trustee Peterson will contact the VFW and request their support as in the past. 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:

Cook County Commissioner Joan Murphy was unable to attend the meeting. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table her presentation to Mayor Sherman. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.
Trustee Peterson made a motion to table discussion on a celebration of Mayor Sherman’s career and his retirement after 40 years of service including a budget. Trustee Peterson stated that a celebration will be held Saturday May 11th from 2-8pm at the Community Center. The celebration will be open to the public. A budget will be discussed at the May 6th Board meeting. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the low bid by Gallagher Asphalt. 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 accept the low bid by Brites Cartage for gravel and stone. 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 accept the low bid by American Lawn for mowing of vacant properties. 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 accept the low bid by Burrink Commercial Services. 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 accept the low bid by Homer Tree Service. 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 accept the bid of Merts for HVAC Maintenance. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Trustee Banicki seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski. Trustee Lopez voted no. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the low bid of Excel Electrical for Street and Parks Lights Maintenance. 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 Kozy made a motion to accept the resignation of Zoning Board of Appeals Member John Vigliotti effective immediately. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the request to hire Tom Dykton to assist in testing the air quality in the Dispatch Center due to an employee complaint. The cost
is anticipated to be $2,000-$3,000. Trustee Banciki 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 approve the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding the request of Bader Islam for a zoning variance at 3326 Green to allow for two residential units to be occupied on the property. 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 Seehausen made a motion to loan Donna Thompson of 3305 Butler, picnic tables to be delivered May 24th and used over the Memorial Day weekend for a wedding reception at her home. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request of Jason Stevenson from Scout Troop #100 to use the Kmart parking lot near the cash station for a car wash fundraiser. The scouts request use of water from the fire hydrant for Sunday, June 9th from 10am to 4pm and a rain date of Sunday June 23rd. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice Vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Jolynda Reyes that the Board approve a transfer of $4,000 from the corporate fund to the DARE fund to help pay for DARE officers' salaries, as is past practice. 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 Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox to hire Timothy Willett, pending background check to fill the open laborer position. Mr. Willett has passed his pre-employment physical examination. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss recent litigation 7:18pm

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss recent litigation. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

7:40pm the Mayor called the meeting back to order. The clerk called the roll. The following Trustees were in attendance; Trustees Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Perchinski.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7: 41pm

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Louis Sherman

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk