

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 February, 2014 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with President Peterson 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: Skrezyna, Kozy, Sarek, Lopez and Perchinski. Trustee Banicki was absent. Also present were HR/Dispatch Director Mary Jo Seehausen, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Village Administrator Mike Tilton, Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, EMA Chief Tom Johnston and Police Chief Greg Rambo.

AWARDS, HONORS & SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

None

MINUTES

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Sherry Newquist of 3511 Union Avenue approached the Board and requested an extension of her temporary business license. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to extend Amici's temporary business license. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mike Tilton reported that the Safe Route to School grant was submitted on January 31st. Mr. Tilton also stated that the bids for the lighting retrofitting project are out. February 10th at 11am will be the pre bid meeting. Mr. Tilton reported that Cook County has a GIS system that could save the Village approximately \$6,000.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper reported that the Village has a small amount of salt still in reserve. Salt usage is now in "conservation mode" in hopes of getting through the winter with what is on hand. Mayor Peterson thanked Director Toepper for the great job his department has been doing cleaning Village streets during this extremely harsh winter.

Fire Chief Jeff Roesner was called away from the meeting. Trustee Perchinski read his report. In January the Fire Department had 113 total calls; 12 fire calls, 98 medical calls and 3 were toned out in error. Mutual Aid was received 13 times and given 18 times.

Police Chief Greg Rambo had no report

EMA Chief Tom Johnston reported that some businesses in the down town district have moved snow into the crosswalks and that customers are having trouble using crosswalks. Mayor Peterson asked Administrator Tilton to reach out to businesses and encourage them to keep crosswalks clear.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi reported that the Community Center has a new recumbent bicycle for the exercise room and members are very pleased. Mrs. Rossi reported that softball and flag football registration is underway. Volleyball and Basketball seasons have begun. Mrs. Rossi also stated that the new cleaning company is “wonderful”.

HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen reported that there will be a meeting with East-com on Wednesday, February 5th and that she and the Mayors and Chiefs of each department have been invited to attend. Steger is the topic of the conversation at the meeting. Mrs. Seehausen has been working with our Risk Management Agency regarding training. They are looking at using Ingalls for Occupational Health. She expects to have log ins for everyone for next week.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Skrezyna presented the Treasurer's Report. (Attached to the Minutes)

Trustee Kozy had no report.

Trustee Lopez had no report.

Trustee Sarek reported that Basketball and Volleyball Leagues are underway and going well. The Adult Volleyball program is looking for additional players. The nets at the softball fields will be removed and stored at Public Works. Trustee Sarek stated that the Girls Softball field needs at least 1 truck load of dirt for the field. The sports field mix will cost \$1,500 or more. Trustee Sarek will talk to the Recreation Board about sharing the cost of the dirt.

Trustee Perchinski had no report.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk had no report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mayor Peterson had no report.

BILLS

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to pay the bills as listed. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table ORDINANCE NO. 1062 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT, THE VILLAGE CLERK AND THE VILLAGE TREASURER TO SIGN CONTRACTS AND LOAN DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to table ORDINANCE NO. 1063 AMENDING CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-236, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-238 AND CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-239 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE HIRING OR RETENTION OF BUILDING INSPECTORS FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the Amendment to the New Hire Policy – Resolution No. 1048. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement by and between the Will County 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board and the Village of Steger. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

John Waisocky of GW & Associates reported on the annual Audit.

State Floodway Construction Delegation Program from the Office of Water Resources, Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Pace Ridership Report for December 2013

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to designate the Chicago Southland Convention and Visitors Bureau as the Village of Steger's Convention and Visitors Bureau of record for the marketing and promotion of the tourism industry. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

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The next meeting of the Steger Village Board will be held on Tuesday February 18th

The Village Hall will be closed on February 17th for Presidents Day

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Litigation 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act
5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before court, pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

7:30pm

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to return to regular Session. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

8:40pm

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to give Mayor Peterson and the Village Clerk the authority to sign loan documents for the purchase of the new Police squad cars. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:41pm

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk