

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 15TH day of December, 2014 at the Steger Village Hall in the Fire Department Headquarters 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: Buxton, Skrezyna, Kozy, Lopez, Sarek and Perchinski. Also present were Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Police Chief Carl Mormann, Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Attorney Amber Munday and Housing Director Alice Peterson.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Richton Park Deputy Police Chief Gerlach addressed the Board and Steger Police Chief Carl A. Mormann. Deputy Chief Gerlach presented Chief Mormann with a plaque congratulating him on 27 years of dedicated service to the Village of Richton Park. Deputy Chief Gerlach's supervisory staff was in attendance to congratulate Chief Mormann.

MINUTES

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the Minutes as written as all members have copies. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mike Tilton was absent.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper reported the tree program is about 75% complete and should be completed in the next 30-45 days.

The new SCADA system is up and operational, with a few bugs yet to be worked out.

Public Works is prepared for the upcoming winter weather.

Fire Chief Nowell Fillion reported that in previous two weeks of December the Fire Department responded to 54 ambulance calls and 10 fire calls. Mutual aid was given 4 times and received twice. There have been 1295 calls thus far in 2014.

Chief Fillion reported that four Department members are now E.M.T.s; Jeff Watson, Matt Weber, Sammy Smith and Monica Harte. Brian Pierce is now enrolled in the E.M.T. program.

Chief Fillion thanked HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen for her assistance in a grant recently received by the Fire Department from the Firemen's Fund for \$8,128.00 that will be used for a new fire cot.

Deputy Fire Chief Baine has applied for a grant for a new ambulance.

Police Chief Carl Mormann referred to his weekly reports.

EMA Chief Johnston reported thanked Fire Chief Fillion and Lt. Mike Long for assistance; EMA now has a payroll system in place.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi reported that Merts has completed work at the Community Center on the air conditioners and electrical service. Repairs to the gym floor will be completed when schedules permit due to the basketball program beginning its season of play. December 15th was the "Kids Club" party. Over 110 seniors participated in the Senior Luncheon on December 12th.

Human Resources Director Mary Jo Seehausen had no report.

Housing Director Alice Peterson reported that the BRP has been submitted. Wells Fargo has donated 3605 Morgan to the Village along with \$10,000 to rehab the home.

Mrs. Peterson also reported that December 20th is Christmas basket delivery day. The donated food and monetary donations that will be used to fill the baskets have been very generous.

Village Attorney Amber Munday reported that she has had conversations with the Village auditor to get from them the language they're suggesting to be used in the finance policy. The process is moving slowly.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Ryan Buxton provided the November and mid-December treasurer's reports. His reports are attached.

Trustee Skrezyna congratulated Public Infrastructure Director Dave Toepper and Code Enforcement officer Romulus Biris for having passed their state sanitation tests. They are now Health Inspectors and in the New Year will provide health inspections for the Village.

Trustee Skrezyna reported some concerns about trees that have been removed and left on other properties. The Village will discuss the problem with the tree service and see that cut trees are left on the properties they came from before being removed.

Trustee Kozy wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Trustee Lopez wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Trustee Sarek wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Trustee Perchinski reported that the Fire Department is doing many great things including obtaining grants and working with other departments to get things done. Trustee Perchinski wished everyone Merry Christmas.

Clerk Recupito reported the next meeting of the Steger Village Board will be held on Monday January 5th 2015.

The Village Hall will be closed on December 24th & 25th for the Christmas Holiday.

The Village Hall will be closed on January 1st, New Year's Day.

President Peterson wished everyone Happy Holidays.

PAYING THE BILLS

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to pay the bills as listed. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion and asked that the Walton Invoice for Miller Woods Clipboards be held and paid at a later date. Roll was called and the following trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Kozy, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Buxton made a motion to table until January 20, 2015, the Discussion on the Finance Policy. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table Discussion and Consideration of LOCIS 8 Time Entry. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Upon recommendation of Building Inspector Dave Toepper, Trustee Kozy made a motion to approve the Temporary Business License Application of Fadi Wireless, Inc. at 3335 Chicago Road, pending final inspections. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1086 VILLAGE OF STEGER TAX LEVY FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Kozy, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 1064 A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PLANNING STAFF ASSISTANCE SERVICES DELIVERED BY THE CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Kozy, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 1071 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF 3001 LOVEROCK AVENUE FROM THE STOUGH GROUP. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Kozy, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski invited Michelle of Metro to come forward and discuss Paramedics/Billing with the Board. Trustee Perchinski explained that he, Administrator Tilton, Fire Chief Fillion and HR Director Seehausen have been researching cost saving measures for Paramedics services. Metro discussed commission savings by using the Metro service. Metro vice president discussed services and benefits of Metro with the Board. Metro provides "alternates" to be utilized as back up personnel in event of absences. Chief Fillion explained that a good staff is currently used. Metro will work to ensure staff retention. Metro staffers are trained to articulate services for maximum efficiency. A Metro contract will be presented January 5, 2015 and effective February 1, 2015.

Discussion on temporary business licenses-after discussion, Mayor Peterson asked Attorney Amber Munday to work with Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper in writing up a procedure. Attorney Munday recommended a zoning review at the same time. The Board will add a temporary license to the new procedures.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the Temporary Business License Application of L & R Auto Sales at 3218 Chicago Road. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried. Public Infrastructure Director Toepper will review the location and another on Union Avenue as suggested by Trustee Perchinski.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel and contracts. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

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

9:07pm

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:08pm.

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk