

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 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with the Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. attending.

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Buxton, Lopez, Sarek, Perchinski and Joyce. Trustee Skrezyna and Mayor Peterson were absent. Also present were HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen, Deputy Fire Chief James Baine, Code Enforcement Officer Romulus Biris, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Housing, Community Center Director Diane Rossi and Police Chief Carl A. Mormann.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to appoint Trustee Lopez as temporary mayor, in Mayor Peterson's absence. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Buxton, Lopez, Sarek, Perchinski and Joyce. Motion carried.

#### **AWARDS, HONORS & SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS**

Officer Kim Juggler of the Shorewood Police Department and the Vice President of the Illinois DARE Police Officer's Association. Officer Juggler presented Deputy Chief Patrick Rossi with a plaque honoring his 23 years of outstanding service in the DARE program. The audience congratulated Deputy Chief Rossi.

#### **MINUTES**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous Board Meeting, as written. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

#### **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

None.

#### **REPORTS**

**Village Administrator Mike Tilton** was absent.

**Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper** was absent. Code Enforcement Officer Romulus Biris had no report.

**Deputy Fire Chief James Baine** reported that the Fire Department responded to 71 calls in May; 58 ambulance, 13 fire. The Fire Department provided mutual aid 3 times and received it once. Fire Chief Fillion, Lt. Mike Long and other firefighters are attending the EMT graduation of Brian Pierce. Training is continuing and four applicants have applied for positions with the Fire Department.

Trustee Lopez wished Cody Baine a happy 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

**Police Chief Carl A. Mormann** referred to his weekly reports.

**EMA Chief Tom Johnston** reported that “Get up. Get ready” posters will be at the Village Hall and the Community Center. GetupGetready.org is a website to help you prepare for disasters.

IEMA has a preparedness guide for distribution. Also NOAA radio frequency information is included. These flyers will be available at the Village Hall, Community Center and on the Village website.

**Community Center Director Diane Rossi** reported that the Sock Hop has been canceled and will be held in September.

Mrs. Rossi is collecting bids on landscaping for the Community Center and will bring the results to the June 1<sup>st</sup> Board meeting. Landscaping will be more attractive and should be maintenance free when done.

**HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen** had no report.

**Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson** was absent.

**Village Attorney Amber Mundy** was absent.

### **TRUSTEES’ REPORTS**

**Trustee Buxton** gave the financial report. His report is attached to the minutes.

**Trustee Joyce** reported that the microphone system currently being used for Board meetings is in part the system that was used in the 1970’s at the Village Hall and other components on loan from Trustee Joyce’s company. Trustee Joyce shared a quote for \$703.00 for new equipment that may be reimbursed by the insurance company and used at the new Village Hall when the time comes. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to purchase the new equipment. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Buxton, Lopez, Sarek, Perchinski and Joyce. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce has also discussed with Kiira Wolfe the Village website. Tim Fullerton is the web designer who is revamping the Village website. Trustee Joyce has not met with him yet, but is working to make the site more user friendly.

Trustee Joyce also explained that each Trustee received information regarding an app for smart phones. This company and three others have been asked to provide a demo so that the Board can determine whether to move forward with the app.

Trustee Joyce is working with Ms. Wolfe and “Mixed Design” on Steger Days of Music marketing. The marketing campaign is set to begin June 1<sup>st</sup>. A direct mailing is also under consideration. The quarterly newsletter is under review and will include Steger Days of Music.

**Trustee Perchinski** had no report.

**Trustee Sarek** reported that curbs at the Community Center are up for discussion later in the agenda.

Trustee Sarek also thanked Public Works Supervisor Roy Stone and his crew for the work at the parks installing doors and securing the park houses.

Girls' softball opening day went well.

**Trustee Lopez** had no report.

**Trustee Skrezyna** was absent.

**CLERK'S REPORT** Clerk Recupito reported that the Village Hall will be closed Monday, May 25th in observance of Memorial Day holiday. The Annual Memorial Day Ceremony will be held at the Veterans Memorial at Halsted and 34th St. at 10am on May 25th.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** Mayor Peterson was absent.

## **BILLS**

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

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

L & R Auto Business plan was tabled indefinitely, on a motion by Trustee Perchinski, seconded by Trustee Sarek, as a Planning and Zoning Board of Appeals hearing is required for the business to move forward on this property. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO.1099 ESTABLISHING PREVAILING WAGES FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to change fees for laundry machines to \$3 per machine (washers and dryers) and all other vending machines remain at \$15 per machine in a laundromat operation. And table ORDINANCE NO. 1100 for further clarification. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Motion carried.

After discussion, Trustee Sarek made a motion to approve a contract for installation of curbs at Louis Sherman Community Center. The work will make the Community Center ADA compliant. The funds will come from the Public Benefit fund. The total for all work will be \$7,525. The motion was seconded by Trustee Buxton. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the finance rate for two 2016 Ford Explorers for Police Department. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Temporary Business License Application of Computer Solutions & Services at 3210 Chicago Road, pending inspections. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Mr. Sampson is purchasing the property and plans to allow his son to reside in the second floor apartment and not used as a rental property. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table the Temporary Business License Application of Martin Auto Electric at 29 E. 35th Place. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of the Steger American Legion to hold “Poppy Day” fundraiser at the corner of Chicago Road and 34th Street June 1<sup>st</sup>. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

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 7:29 pm**

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Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk