

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 21st day of September, 2015 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with the Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. attending and Mayor Peterson presiding.

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Skrezyna. Trustee Buxton was absent. Also present were Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson, Deputy Police Chief Pat Rossi and Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth.

AWARDS, HONORS, SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation by Mahmood Lakha regarding the Kings Road Shell Gas Station. Mr. Lakha shared plans for a new design for Shell including "Hot & Spicy" Restaurant. The restaurant will offer a variety of American and ethnic fast foods. Mr. Lakha is proposing construction of Welcome to Steger sign at the location. Trustee Lopez thanked Mr. Lakha for working with the village. At Mayor Peterson's suggestion, Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Kings Road Shell plans. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mike Tilton was not in attendance. Mr. Tilton was representing the Village of Steger at the South Chicago Heights Village Board meeting regarding Miller Woods.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper had no report.

Fire Chief Nowell Fillion reported thus far the Fire Department is at 978 calls for service.

Fire Truck Unit #105 is out of service for a few weeks due to a radiator repair.

Trustee Perchinski reported that the radiator repair to Unit #105 was estimated to cost \$10,000. Chief Fillion and other volunteers have taken on the task themselves and will save the Village about \$8,000.

Deputy Police Chief Pat Rossi, referred to his weekly reports.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston reported that the recent storm passing through the area missed Steger. Mayor Peterson thanked EMA for continually watching the threatening weather for the community.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi had no report.

HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen was absent.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson reported on round 2 of the blight reduction application due on Friday.

Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth had no report.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Buxton was absent.

Trustee Skrezyna reported that the Quiet Zone cannot go forward at this time. A home at 31st Street and the railroad tracks has a driveway that will be an issue for the Quiet Zone. Trustee Skrezyna explained that the Village is working with the bank on the property. Mayor Peterson explained that the Quiet Zone is based on a point's schedule. Certain points must be acquired to move forward.

Trustee Lopez had no report.

Trustee Sarek had no report.

Trustee Perchinski had no report.

Trustee Joyce had no report.

CLERK'S REPORT had no report.

PRESIDENT PETERSON had no report.

BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Lopez made a motion to table the Business License application of Access Services at 16 E. 35th Street, pending inspections. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – Possible Litigation

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session to discuss possible litigation (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. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried

7:14pm

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

7:29pm

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:30pm

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk