

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 April, 2016 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with the Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. attending and Mayor Peterson presiding.

Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. called the roll. The following Trustees were present; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Also present were Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, Police Chief Ken Boehm, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Human Resources Director Mary Jo Seehausen and Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson.

**AWARDS, HONORS, SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 1094 Honoring Glen Reno on his Eagle Scout Award. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Peterson appointed the following persons to the Recreation Board; Gerald Stewart, Terry Permenter, Brian Metzner, Tom Drexler and Anthony Marino. Trustee Perchinski made a motion accept the Mayor's appointments. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous Board Meeting Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes were recorded. Motion carried.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Sue Perry approached the Board and inquired about sponsorship of Cub Scout Troops in Steger. Mayor Peterson explained that Troop 173, of which he is a charter representative is sponsored by Steger Kiwanis. Troop 100 is sponsored by Emmanuel Lutheran Church, of which Bob Mann is the charter representative. Emmanuel Lutheran also sponsors Boy Scout Troop 100. Mayor Peterson explained that many local businesses and individuals support scouting and youth in many ways.

**REPORTS**

**Village Administrator Mike Tilton** is working with three developers regarding three different projects in the Village.

Mr. Tilton went to Springfield recently with the Will County Governmental League.

The Village officially now owns 11 acres near Bloom Trail.

**Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper** is exploring IDOT grants for streets beautification/streetscapes grant.

Mr. Toepper expects the asbestos abatement at 19 W. 31<sup>st</sup> Place and 3324 Phillips should be complete in the next few weeks. After abatement the homes will be demolished.

Housing Court started April 16<sup>th</sup> and will continue monthly through October. About 30 properties were set to appear.

Mayor Peterson added that he and Mr. Toepper have discussed roads in need of repair. A list will be prepared shared with Trustee Skrezyna. A new product that can be sprayed on top of roads to extend the life of the roads will be tested.

**Fire Chief Nowell Fillion** reported that new applicants are being screened with Assistant Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen.

The Fire Department's ISO review will be Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Police Chief Boehm** reported on a \$1,100 grant from the Illinois Liquor Commission to be used to educate tobacco retailers and limit access to tobacco products to minors.

**EMA Chief Tom Johnston** interviewed an individual who may be joining the EMA shortly.

**Community Center Director Diane Rossi** is looking to hire a part timer for the Community Center. Applications are now available.

**Assistant Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen** vendors and sponsors for Steger Days of Music are coming in. Other avenues for advertising are being explored.

**Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson** had no report.

**Village Attorney Kurt Asprooth** had no report.

### **TRUSTEES' REPORTS**

**Trustee Buxton** Treasurer's Report is attached.

Trustee Buxton reported the Disconnection of Miller Woods from MWRD has raised \$5,300 which exceeds the required \$5,000. 98 Households financially supported the effort. The attorney has been engaged. Thanks to Ken McLeod and Pete Dickett for assistance.

**Trustee Skrezyna** had no report.

**Trustee Lopez** had no report.

**Trustee Sarek** reported that the Brites Transportation proposal will be tabled as better pricing may be available.

**Trustee Perchinski** shared comments he's received from residents regarding extending water billing due dates. Mrs. Seehausen explained that the billing is according to Ordinance. Trustee Perchinski suggested a 30 day billing instead of 15 days. Mr. Tilton explained that the ordinance would have to be changed. Mayor Peterson asked Attorney Asprooth to change the ordinance to 30 days for the next Board Meeting .

**Trustee Joyce** reported that the new business license application is complete and will be in use by May 1, 2016.

**CLERK'S REPORT** had no report.

**PRESIDENT PETERSON** reported

### **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, Sarek, Perchinski, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to deny the request of George Bolos, Luxury Salon for a B-1 Liquor License. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted to deny; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted to deny. Motion carried, Liquor License denied.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 1093 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF STEGER TO APPLY FOR THE 2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE CLERK TO EXECUTE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Real Estate Contract by and between the Owner of Record and the Village of Steger for 16 W. 31st Place. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request from the Relay for Life “Team St. Liborius” to collect donations at the intersection of 34th Street and Chicago Road on either April 23rd or May 7th. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the request of Steger American Legion Auxiliary Unit 521 to hold a Poppy Drive, at the intersection of 34th Street and Chicago Road on Memorial Day. (May 30th). Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the request of Steger Little League to hold tag days on Memorial weekend May 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> at 34th Street and Chicago Road. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of Lt. Gibbs of the Steger Fire Department to use Veterans Park on Saturday August 20, 2016 for a Family Fireman Picnic from 8am to dusk. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the request of the Steger Fire Department to allow alcoholic beverages at Veterans Park on Saturday, August 20, 2015 from noon to dusk for the Family Fireman Picnic. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Sarek made a motion to table Brite’s Transportation Prices for screenings. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the ALTA Survey by Knight Engineers. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to deny the Liquor License application of Pulkit M. Patel of P.K’s Pantry for a B-1 (Beer and Wine Consumption on premises) license. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion to deny. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted to deny; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted to deny. Motion carried, Liquor License denied.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5) The Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the use of the Public Body, pursuant to Section 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Sarek, Perchinski, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

**7:22pm**

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

**8:46pm**

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:48 pm**

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Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk