

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 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger, with Mayor Ken Peterson presiding and Village Clerk Joseph M. Zagone, Jr. attending.

Village Clerk Zagone called the roll. The following Trustees were present; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Trustee Skrezyna was absent. Also present were; Village Administrator Michael Tilton, Assistant Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson, Community Center Director Diane Rossi, Police Chief Ken Boehm, Fire Chief Nowell Fillion and Public Infrastructure Director Dave Toepper.

**MINUTES**

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

**AWARDS, HONORS AN SPECIAL RECOGNITION -**

Police Chief Ken Boehm honored Sergeant Gerald Ruff for his twenty years of service on the Steger Police Department with a Special Recognition Award. The audience and Board congratulated Sgt Ruff.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION-**

Pete of the American Legion approached the Board regarding the numerous calls made to the Police Department about outdoor activities held by Steger American Legion to raise funds. Pete stated the calls were unfounded and that every rule is being followed. He also stated the Police Department have more important calls. Pete and the Commander of the American Legion pointed out the number of organizations, sponsorships and Scholarships they help fund and donations made to the community. The Mayor explained that the Police Department has to follow up on every call received and he realizes how important they are to the organizations they sponsor and to the community.

Steve Thurmond approached the Board with the T3's Fall Event. The Musical, Little Shop of Horrors will be held at Bloom Trail High School's Neubauer Auditorium on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

## **REPORTS**

**Village Administrator Tilton** reported the Village of Steger has received a grant for \$200,000.00 from CDBG it will be used for the streetscape on Chicago Road.

The Village applied to the Tree Grant program, but was unsuccessful due to State funding, per Mr. Tilton.

**Director of Public Infrastructure** had no report.

**Fire Chief Nowell Fillion** referred to his weekly report.

Chief Fillion added that the new Ambulance, Unit # 37 passed the IDPH test. Chief Fillion thanked Mayor Peterson and the Board for helping to acquire the ambulance.

**Police Chief Ken Boehm** referred to his weekly report.

**EMA Chief Tom Johnston** referred to his weekly report. Chief Johnston cautioned all to take care when donating to relief efforts in Houston following Hurricane Harvey. The Chief suggested FEMA.gov to make donations, it is a more secure site.

**Community Center Director Diane Rossi** reported The Fall Kids Club for children Kindergarten to 5<sup>th</sup> grade begins September 11<sup>th</sup>. A suggestion box was placed in the lobby for any comments.

Community Center is now open until 8pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

**Assistant Village Administrator/HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen** had no report.

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

**Village Attorney** was absent.

## **TRUSTEES' REPORTS**

**Trustee Buxton** referred to the Treasurer Report. His report is attached to the official minutes.

**Trustee Skrezyna** was absent.

**Trustee Lopez** thanked Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson for the great presentation by her team.

**Trustee Sarek** Thanked the Fire Department on their dinner.

**Trustee Perchinski** had no report.

**Trustee Joyce** Thanked the Steger Fire Department for their efforts at a house fire on Cottage Grove.

Trustee Joyce also asked everyone to take a look at the Village web site. Any problems or suggestions should be directed to the Board.

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

The Clerk reminded the audience about the St. Liborius Parish Picnic being held on September 9<sup>th</sup> from noon to 5 pm.

**PRESIDENT PETERSON** reported the First Responders Event went very well and netted a profit of \$10,624.52.

Mayor Peterson mentioned the Bloom Township Band fundraiser being held at Chipotle's in Homewood Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. The band will receive 50 percent of all proceeds.

## **BILLS**

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

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Elena Leal of Bloom Township invited Steger residents to an event regarding Township programs and services on September 21st from 10am to 5pm.

Commissioner Training Workshop Evaluation

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS-**

Trustee Perchinski made the motion to adopt **ORDINANCE 1169 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPERTY TRANSFER BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF CRETE AND THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE** Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made the motion to adopt **ORDINANCE 1170 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROPERTY DISCONNECTION FROM THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND ANNEXATION TO THE VILLAGE OF CRETE, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE** Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Buxton made a motion to table **RESOLUTION NO. 1115 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT TO SELL SURPLUS REAL ESTATE OWNED BY THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS** Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 1171 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR THE PROPERITES LOCATED AT EAST SAUK TRAIL AND COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE, STEGER, ILLINOIS.** Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Trustee Joyce voted no. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 1172 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SETBACK VARIANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 22550 MILLER ROAD, STEGER, ILLINOIS** Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 1173 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A GARAGE VARIANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3545 GREEN STREET, STEGER, ILLINOIS** Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Tim Perchinski made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 1174 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3400 UNION AVENUE, STEGER, ILLINOIS** Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustee voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE NO. 1175 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SIGN VARIANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3400 UNION AVENUE, STEGER, ILLINOIS** Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Sarek and Buxton. Trustee Lopez voted no. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

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Trustee Perchinski made the motion to accept the Proposal for Unidirectional Flushing from M.E. Simpson Co., Inc. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

After Discussion Trustee Perchinski made the motion to approve the Lobbying Services Agreement. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Staples Furniture Police Department Contract. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek, and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made the motion to approve Steger Storm's request to use Veterans Park for its annual potluck/bonfire on Friday September 15th from 6pm to 7:30pm. They also request the Fire Department to start and extinguish the bonfire and stand by in case of an emergency. Firewood will be delivered to Veterans Park on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday September 13, 14 and 15. Storm requests 4-6 picnic tables and extra trash cans near the concession stand and the football field. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made the motion to approve Bloom Trail's T3 Parent Theatre Group's request to hold tag day at 34th Street and Chicago Road on September 16th and 17th from 10am to 4pm. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Business License application of Up in Smoke at 3412 Chicago Road, pending inspections. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek, and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made the motion to approve the Business License application of Finch Financial at 30 E. 34th Street, Unit 2. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek, and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried. Trustee Joyce amended his motion to approve, pending inspections. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek, and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made the motion to approve the Business License application of Posh Vanity Hair Studio at 30 E. 34th Street, Suite 5, pending inspections. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Lopez, Sarek, and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

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Trustee Perchinski made the motion to table the Business License application of Unimode Woodworking, Inc. at 3205 Loverock. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Voice vote all voted aye. Motion carried.

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 8:01 pm**

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Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

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Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk