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 5TH day of July, 2017 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with the Mayor Ken Peterson presiding and Deputy Village Clerk Sandra Mehrl attending.

Deputy Village Sandra Mehrl called the roll. The following Trustees were present; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Village Clerk Joe Zagone and Trustee Joyce were absent. Also present were, Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, Police Chief Ken Boehm, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Public Infrastructure Director Dave Toepper, Housing Director Alice Peterson and Village Administrator Mike Tilton.

AWARDS, HONORS, SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS —None

MINUTES

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

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION— A resident came forward and suggested the bushes on 33rd Street at Chicago Road need trimming as they prevent a clear view of oncoming traffic. Mayor Peterson asked Public Infrastructure Director Dave Toepper take a look at the bushes.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Tilton reported that he and Infrastructure Director Toepper spent some time at the BP project. Work there is progressing and should move quickly now that the framing is complete.

At the Brown Onion Pub project the demolition is complete and blueprints have been reviewed by Knight Engineering with minor adjustments. Façade work is to start this week.

Mr. Tilton and Mr. Toepper met with Citgo representatives and it seems they will be moving ahead with their project.

The Quiet Zone project is with Cook County and waiting for their approval.

The Village of Steger was selected by ComEd for a street lighting program set to begin soon.

Director of Public Infrastructure referred to his weekly report.
Fire Chief Nowell Fillion had no report.

Police Chief Ken Boehm referred to his weekly report.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston referred to his weekly report.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi referred to her weekly report. Trustee Sarek inquired about playground equipment for Critter Park. Mr. Toepper explained he is collecting information.

Assistant Village Administrator/HR Director Mary Jo Seehausen was absent.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson had no report.

Village Attorney had no report.

TRUSTEES’ REPORTS

Trustee Buxton referred to the Treasurer Report dated June 28th. His report is attached to the official minutes. Mayor Peterson added that revenues have already been generated by TIF #5.

Trustee Skrezyna explained that he and the Housing and Community Director Alice Peterson are working on demolishing certain Will County properties. The Will County process takes longer than Cook County.

Trustee Lopez had no report.

Trustee Sarek had no report.

Trustee Perchinski had no report.

CLERK’S REPORT had no report.

PRESIDENT PETERSON reported three youths from Bloom Township will be working for the Village. That process begins Monday. The youths will be supervised by a part time employee and will work projects around the village.

Mayor Peterson also explained Ordinance No. 1164. The 7 member Recreation Board members will each have five year terms. The terms will be staggered. The members currently on the Board will remain. A representative of each sport will be on the Board.

Kiira Wolfe has resigned as the Mayor’s media person. Mrs. Wolfe did a lot for the Village including a social media presence. Matt Wenzel will take over the position. All information will be forwarded to Matt. Mayor Peterson will be pushing further into social media so residents will know in real time what is going on.
BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from Elaine E Egdorf from the Village of Homewood thanking the Village of Steger for supporting Drivin the Dixie.

A request from Steger Kiwanis Club to collect donations for Peanut Day on Friday September 22, 2017 at the corner of 34th Street and Chicago Road. Trustee Perchinski made a motion, seconded by Trustee Skrezyna to approve the request. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Steger Sons of the American Legion Squadron # 521 seeking donations of any type and Hole Sponsors from residents and merchants for their Golf Outing on Sunday August 27th, 2017. Mayor Peterson explained that in the past the Village has not made this type of donation, but individual Trustees have made donations. Mayor Peterson suggested Matt Wenzel share this information on social media.

Communities for Christ is asking to host the 12th Annual Day of Prayer at the Gazebo on June 2nd, 2018. They also would like to reserve the Gazebo for June 1st to set up equipment. They are asking for power for the sound system 10 picnic tables and 2 garbage cans. Trustee Lopez made the motion, seconded by Trustee Buxton to approve the request. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

A letter from Steve Rauschenberger of Technology and Manufacturing Association thanking Mayor Peterson for opting out of the new Cook County Ordinance regulating minimum wage and employee personal time off.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve Option One regarding Phase II Environmental Site Assessment on Sauk Trail and Cottage Grove. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Peterson was approached by the “Neverly Brothers” and met with them to discuss a music event. Certain vendors also donated to the event to help cover the cost. Additional donations would be needed to host a Steger Days of Music Event. The cost would include a tent and a sound system the event would be held Saturday,
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August 19, 2017. An Economic Development Corporation will be formed and may be of assistance to the event. Fireworks and a beer tent can also be considered. Chief Boehm explained that a one day event can be secured by the Steger Police Department. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to move forward with the event. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek and Buxton. Trustees Lopez and Skrezyna voted no. Mayor Peterson voted yes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the Special Event Application Request from Park of Hope. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1162 VACATING PORTIONS OF A CERTAIN ALLEY AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN VACATION AGREEMENT FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1163 AMENDING CHAPTER 50, SECTION 50-63 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING TEMPORARY STRUCTURES FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table ORDINANCE NO. 1164 AMENDING CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-457 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE RECREATION BOARD FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1165 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF STEGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN AGREEMENT WITH LAMASTUS DEVELOPMENT, INC. TO REDEVELOP CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COUNTIES OF COOK AND WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Perchinski, Sarek, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez made a motion to table RESOLUTION NO. 1111 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND ANDY FRAIN SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.
There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Sarek seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:40 pm

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Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

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Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk