# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2018 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with Village Clerk Joseph M. Zagone, Jr, attending.

Village Clerk Joseph M. Zagone, Jr. called the roll. The following Trustees were present, Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Mayor Peterson. Trustee Buxton was absent. Also present were; Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, Police Chief Ken Boehm, Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Community Center Director Diane Rossi and Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson..

# AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The real estate market in Steger and overall for 2018 by Bruce Hackel.

## **MINUTES**

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 19<sup>th</sup> as written Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote. All Trustees voted aye. Motion carried.

# AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION - none

#### **REPORTS**

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen had no report

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper was absent.

**Fire Chief Nowell Fillion** thanked everyone for the participation in the Pancake Breakfast.

Chief Fillion also reported that the cadet program continues to grow.

Another grant has opened up for a brush unit. Chief Fillion will look into the grant.

**Police Chief Ken Boehm** stated it's been an honor and a privilege to serve as Police Chief for the Village of Steger. He thanked the Board and the Department Heads for their support. He reminded the Board that the Department has many great police officers. Officers putting their lives on the line to protect the community. He wished everyone well. Minutes of December 3, 2018 page 2

**EMA Chief Tom Johnston** thanked everyone for expressing condolensces at the passing of EMA Member Jim Briggs.

Chief Johnston also thanked everyone for expressing concern and support during his daughter's recent illness. She is doing well and has returned to school.

Chief Johnston added that during the recent power outage the Community Center was used as a warming shelter and that if residents needed to stay at the Center after the scheduled 11pm closing time, his department would have made it available.

**Community Center Director Diane Rossi** explained that Volleyball registration will continue through the end of the week.

Director Rossi also discussed possible changes to membership rates at the Community Center.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson announced a Christmas Decorating contest. All information is on line.

Village Attorney was not present.

# TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Buxton not present.

**Trustee Skrezyna** thanked everyone for the hard work during the Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street event.

**Trustee Lopez** wished Chief Boehm good luck in his future.

Trustee Kozy wished Chief Boehm good luck.

Trustee Perchinski also wished Chief Boehm well in his future.

Trustee Perchinski shared his condolences to Jim Briggs' family

Trustee Joyce thanked Chief Boehm for his hard work at the Police Department.

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**<u>VILLAGE CLERK</u>** reported that all Non-essential Village functions will observe Christmas Holidays December 24th & 25th and the New Year's Holiday January 1<sup>st</sup> Minutes of December 3, 2018 page 3

**PRESIDENT PETERSON** said he was happy to hear of Chief Johnston's daughter's improved health, He thanked Chief Boehm for all he's done and wished him well in retirement. Mayor Peterson expressed his sympathies for the Briggs family in their loss.

# <u>BILLS</u>

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

## CORRESPONDENCE - none

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

## **NEW BUSINESS:** -

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve RESOLUTION NO. 1128 A RESOLUTION HONORING POLICE CHIEF KENNETH A. BOEHM, JR. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried. The Board and audience applauded Chief Boehm.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the audience is invited to celebrate Chief Boehm with cake and coffee.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the 2019 Board Meeting Dates. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session to discuss Real Property, Collective Bargaining matters, Employment and Compensation and Litigation. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

# 7:26pm

Mayor Peterson called the meeting back to order. Clerk Zagone called the roll. The following Trustees were present; Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson was present.

# 7:54pm

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Trustee Perchinski made a motion to accept the mutual agreement with IPMG. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Joyce made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote was called; all ayes. Motion carried

## MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:55 pm

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk