

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 2nd day of December, 2019 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger. Mayor Peterson led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Village Clerk Joseph M. Zagone, Jr. called the roll. The following Trustees were present, Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna, Buxton and Mayor Peterson. Trustee Perchinski was absent.

Also present were: Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, Police Chief Patrick Rossi, EMA Chief Tom Johnston, Deputy Fire Chief James Baines, and Community Center Director Diane Rossi. Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson was absent.

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

MINUTES

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 18th meeting as written. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Voice vote. All Trustees present voted aye. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Debra Page of Barbara Lane in Steger offered a presentation of rundown properties and vehicles in her neighborhood and offered concern regarding a shooting in the same area. The Village does everything within its legal power to address properties that are allowed to fall into disrepair.

Lisa Buxton Complimented the Village on the various Christmas Festivities throughout the Village including the Breakfast with Santa at the Fire Department, Miracle on the 34th Street and the distribution of food baskets. With that being said, she read a letter from State Representative Anthony DeLuca regarding his position on the legalization of Recreational Cannabis Use which takes effect in the State of Illinois on January 1, 2020. She shared her concerns for the community as well and asked that the board not consider allowing Cannabis sales in Steger.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen No report.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper No report.

Deputy Fire Chief James Baines No report.

Police Chief Patrick Rossi referred to his weekly report.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston No report.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi Christmas Party for Seniors will be held on December 20th at noon at the Community Center.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson Annual Christmas baskets will be distributed on December 21st at 9 am. Volunteers welcome.

Village Attorney No report.

Treasurer No report

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Buxton Commended all involved in the Christmas Festivities in the Village.

Trustee Skrezyna Thanked everyone who helped with Miracle on 34th Street.

Trustee Lopez No report

Trustee Kozy No report.

Trustee Perchinski No report

Trustee Joyce Thanked those responsible for the ramp to the Santa house and reminded residents of Santa Claus hours through Christmas.

VILLAGE CLERK No report

PRESIDENT PETERSON Thanked everyone including Village Staff and the Steger Chamber for their efforts in making Miracle on 34th Street a great success. Also, Shop

With A Cop is coming up with South Chicago Heights and is being coordinated by Trustee Perchinski. Mayor Peterson offered Holiday Greetings as he will miss the next meeting and announced availability of a book of Poems written by resident Matt Wenzel. It is a great gift idea and is available from Matt.

BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the 10% matching funds for the 2018 AFG Grant as requested by Fire Chief Fillion. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve 12/19-12/20 ICRMT Renewal Package for General Liability and Workers Compensation. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to approve the Temporary Business License Application from Generator Technologies, Inc. located at 3122 Union Avenue pending inspections. Trustee Buxton seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 1222

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1222, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING OF AND CONSENTING TO AN APPLICATION BY S&S GIBSON PROPERTIES LLC FOR A CLASS 8 DESIGNATION PURSUANT TO THE COOK COUNTY REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, FOR 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: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 1223

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1223, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING TAXATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS.

Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 1224

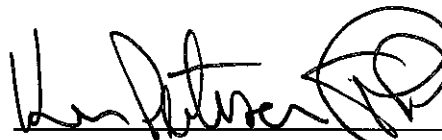
Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1224, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING SPECIAL USES AND FEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS.

Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye: Joyce, Kozy, Lopez, and Skrezyna. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Trustee Buxton voted no. Motion carried.

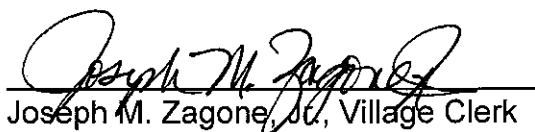
There being no further business,

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.



Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President



Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk