

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 4th day of November, 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, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna, Buxton and Mayor Peterson

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

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Christian Diehl was presented with the Civilian Appreciation Award by the American Police Hall of Fame for his public service to assisting with programs provided by local law enforcement agencies at his school.

Alex Farkas and Jordan Lane, Steger Police Officers were presented with the Criminal Investigation Award by the American Police Hall of Fame and the Steger Police Department for their efforts in assisting a victim of Domestic Battery and Shooting at the hands of her spouse. They were instrumental in taking the suspect into custody and solving this case.

Carol Kozinski and Jordan Lane, Steger Police Officers were presented with the Unit Citation Award by the South Suburban Chiefs of Police for their efforts in assisting surrounding police departments in solving burglaries involving high end appliances. Perpetrators were apprehended and appliances were recovered.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson presented prizes in the recent Halloween Home Decorating Contest. Three awards were presented.

3rd Place: 3220 Peoria St.

2nd Place: 3525 Williams St.

1st Place: 3245 Butler Ave.

MINUTES

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 21st meeting as written. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote. All Trustees present voted aye. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen Quiet Zone has two beacons to be installed and final inspection by the railroad which will leave us 90 days from implementation.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper. Street sweeping will take place the week of November 18th. Stop signs will be installed on 35th Street at Butler and Phillips Avenues this week.

Fire Chief Nowell Fillion No report

Police Chief Patrick Rossi referred to his weekly report.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston No report.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi. No Report

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson Thanked all those who participated in the Halloween Decorating Contest.

Village Attorney not present

Treasurer gave a brief overview of the August Financial Report.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Buxton No report.

Trustee Skrezyna November 30th the Village will present "Miracle on 34th Street" on Halsted Blvd at Steger Rd. It will begin at 6pm with the Tree lighting ceremony. There will be free activities, games, crafts, photo props, free children's raffle, adult raffles. Asking for residents to donate unwrapped toys for children and teens. Fliers will be posted online. Donations can be dropped off at Village Hall or the Community Center.

Trustee Lopez reminded the residents that yard waste pick-up will conclude with the November 27th pick-up. Yard waste pick-up will resume in the Spring.

Trustee Kozy No report.

Trustee Perchinski asked about the parking on 35th Street near John Street. He also questioned the stop sign at 35th and Union where more accidents are occurring. Signage will be looked into to help lower the risk at this intersection.

Trustee Joyce No report

VILLAGE CLERK No report

PRESIDENT PETERSON Reminded residents of the upcoming Fire Department Pancake Breakfast on November 24, 2019. The Santa Parade will take place the Saturday after Thanksgiving that will conclude with Santa at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

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, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS:

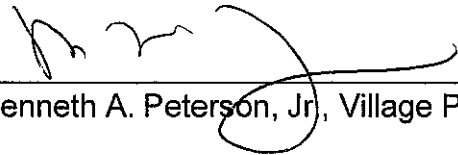
Discussion to support including Balmoral Race Track and associated properties as a possible site for HB3933. This would open the possibility of horse racing returning to Balmoral Park.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to write a letter to Crete Mayor Einhorn in support of his efforts to return horse racing to Balmoral Park as part of HB3933. Trustee Skrezyna seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

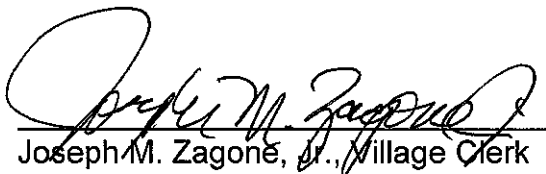
There being no further business,

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.



Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President



Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk