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 16th day of September 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

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

Trustee Perchinski arrived at 7:08 P.M.

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Police Patrolman Torin White was appointed and given the Oath of Office by Village Clerk Zagone.

MINUTES

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 3rd meeting as written. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Voice vote. All Trustees present voted aye. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Jalane Schultz approached the board again regarding loud music complaints regarding the American Legion. Ms. Schultz was informed that the American Legion had been ticketed and that it would be going before our municipal judge to evaluate the situation. Ms. Schultz plans to attend the hearing.

Helena who lives on Frederick Rd in Miller Woods and Grace Peterson, a resident on Lahon Rd approached the board regarding the poor condition of roads in Miller Woods. One of the roads discussed turns out to be a Bloom Township street. The Village will reach out to the Bloom TWP Highway Department in regards to this street. As for those in the Village, Mayor Peterson explained that much of the problem with those streets is caused by flooding issues. The Village is looking to fix the water issue before repaving these streets. Dave Toepper will look into patching areas of concern.

Melvin Carter the pastor of Living Well Christian Church. He approached the board to announce that their church is celebrating it's 100th Anniversary. Pastor Carter came to invite the board to participate in celebrations that will occur on November 16, 2019. All are welcome to come. Mayor Peterson has been invited to speak at the event.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen No report.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper the Village met with Knight Engineering last week to begin the Flood Study. The engineers will collect information, study elevation maps and come up with ideas for solving our water drainage issues.

Fire Chief Nowell Fillion reported on the grant that will help area fire departments replace aging oxygen tanks that firefighters use when battling fires. He brought one of the units for the board to see. Steger's portion of the grant is \$147,000.00. Assistant Chief Long was responsible for getting this grant.

Police Chief Patrick Rossi reported that Will County has rescheduled training that was planned in the Village. This will be rescheduled and will involve S.W.A.T. Teams training in our town. The community will be informed so no one thinks there is something bad happening, just training.

The Police Department will host IEMA as they assess flooding from June. Monday September 30 there will be a meeting at Bloom Trail for First Responders for dispensing vaccinations in this area to be prepared in the event of a pandemic outbreak.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston announced that Illinois Emergency Management Agency along with Cook and Will County and representatives from the Small Business Association will meet with local residents to evaluate homes damaged by recent flooding.

Community Center Director Diane Rossi No report.

Housing and Community Development Director Alice Peterson No report.

Village Attorney No report.

Treasurer No report tonight, but June financials should be available to the board soon. Trustee Buxton also offered thanks to the Fire Department for their part in getting the grant for the Village.

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TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Buxton No report.

Trustee Skrezyna No report.

Trustee Lopez No report.

Trustee Kozy announced that Ron Newquist will be joining the basketball program to coach girls team. There are 200 girls who tried out for teams in our community.

Trustee Perchinski reminded residents of October Fest to take place on the Boulevard on September 28 and 29. In addition, Steger Kiwanis is hosting the Chile Cooking Contest at the same event on Sunday.

Trustee Joyce No report

VILLAGE CLERK No report

PRESIDENT PETERSON No report.

BILLS

Trustee Skrezyna made a motion to approve the bills as 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

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve a Temporary Business License pending inspections for FTW Logistics at 3335 Chicago Rd. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Joyce, Perchinski, Kozy, Lopez, Skrezyna and Buxton. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

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Trustee Perchinski made a motion at 7:30 pm to adjourn to closed session to discuss personnel. 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.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to reconvene following closed session. Trustee Lopez 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 7:56 pm.

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk