# 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 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger and via Teleconference that was made available to all residents. Trustee Lopez led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to name Trustee Lopez Chairman Pro-tem for the meeting. Trustee Trotier seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Trustee Lopez called for the roll. The following Trustees were present, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson was absent. Trustee Thurmond was present via ZOOM

Also present: Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, Police Chief Greg Smith, Deputy Fire Chief James Baines, EMA Chief Tom Johnston and Community Center Director Diana Rossi. Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper was absent.

# AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

None

#### MINUTES

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting as written. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

#### <u>AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION</u>

None

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen No Report.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper No Report.

Deputy Fire Chief James Baines No Report.

Police Chief Greg Smith No Report.

**EMA Chief Tom Johnston** Our members worked the Santa Parade and the event on the Boulevard with no issues.

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**Community Center Director Diana Rossi** Just a reminder: The Senior Luncheon is December 16<sup>th</sup> at noon and the Kids Program with Santa is December 18<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**Village Attorney** 

Treasurer No Report.

MAYORS REPORT No Report.

VILLAGE CLERK No Report.

## **TRUSTEES' REPORTS**

**Trustee Thurmond** Requested code red to let residents know about sign-ups for Steger Recreation Programs.

**Trustee Trotier I** will be connecting soon with Bloom Township's Leticia Johnson to see how we can combine the programs they have so that more of our residents know about them. Looking also to expand the original idea of having our Senior Expo just here, but if it is combined with the Township perhaps, we can increase attendance.

**Trustee Joyce** Working on an inventory with Public Works and their equipment. Public works has been working on a lot of water main breaks. They have also been preparing the equipment for snow removal. Final street sweeping started this morning and should finish tomorrow.

Trustee Lopez No Report.

**Trustee Perchinski** The K-Mart building is still on track, I am meeting with the developer, his contractor and Dave Toepper tomorrow to go over building codes. They want to be ready to go as soon as they close on the purchase. The good people of Steger allowed Alicia's House to do a special needs dinner at Columbia Central this past Saturday. Approximately 80 special needs kids were in attendance, about 200 guests overall. Many great donations.

**Trustee Kozy** Co-ed Volleyball is starting for kids in 1<sup>st</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration is now through December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center. Games are on Friday beginning in January. Residents \$45 for the first child and \$25 for each additional. Non-Residents are \$65 and \$35. Basketball registration is also ongoing.

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#### **BILLS**

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the bills listed when funds are available. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE** None

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to ratify the Intergovernmental Agreement with School District 194 and the Village of Steger for combined services. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Joyce made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1263: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING CERTAIN LAND USE RELIEF (SPECIAL USE PERMIT) FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3240 LOVEROCK AVENUE, STEGER, ILLINOIS. With correction to the address on the letter from Planning and Zoning Board. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to amend the agenda so that we can discuss the business license application that goes with this ordinance. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Discussion was held with the business owner to confirm some details about the plan. Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the new business license for Doni Team Truck Repair, pending inspections, to be ratified at the next meeting. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion.

Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

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Trustee Joyce made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1264: AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 2021 AND ENDING ON THE THIRTY FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER 2021. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to approve the Queen of Hearts Raffle to be held at Austin Community Tavern at 81 E 34<sup>th</sup> Street providing they meet all requirements. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to table the application for a new business license for Jesus Arciga Agency State Farm Insurance at 3126 Chicago Road, pending inspections until the next meeting. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

## Being no further business:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Ernest Lopez Jr., Chairman Pro-tem

Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk