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 August 2021 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger and via Teleconference that was made available to all residents. Mayor Peterson led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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

Village Clerk Zagone was present via ZOOM.

Also present: Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, Fire Chief Nowell Fillion, Police Chief Kevin Shaughnessy, EMA Chief Tom Johnston and Community Center Director Diana Rossi.

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Police Officer George Hillman was presented with the J. Edgar Hoover Award from the Police Hall of Fame. The award was presented by Officer Brian Smith in recognition for Officer Hillman's work at training Officers, citizens and teachers in defensive tactics.

Police Officers Torin White and Bernard Gromala were presented Life Saving Awards by Police Chief Kevin Shaughnessy. Officers White and Gromala were the first responding emergency personnel to arrive at the June 16th fire in the New Colonies apartment complex. Their efforts were instrumental in rescuing victims of the fire that morning. Both were presented awards for the bravery exhibited in their lifesaving efforts.

MINUTES

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2nd Regular Meeting as written. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION None

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen We held our public hearing recently with the engineers regarding the Union Avenue Road project. The public was invited to offer any questions they might have. Hearing none, the meeting adjourned.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper No Report.

Fire Chief Nowell Fillion No Report.

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Police Chief Kevin Shaughnessy No Report.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston EMA is ready for next weekend.

Community Center Director Diana Rossi No Report.

Village Attorney No Report.

Treasurer

MAYORS REPORT No Report.

<u>VILLAGE CLERK</u> Reminded residents that Village Offices will be closed on Monday, September 6 for Labor Day. Due to the holiday the next Village Board meeting will be Tuesday, September 7th.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Thurmond The public hearing with the Army Corp of Engineering in regard to south suburban flooding on August 10th was cancelled. The Lansing meeting is scheduled for today. Suggested that we reach out to Chuck Dieringer for an update on these meetings. Trustee Thurmond stated that he is still gathering information regarding aid for residents with water quality issues. As soon as he has adequate information, he will pass it on to the board. Also, sponsors are being sought to help with beautification around the new Welcome to Steger signs that have been installed. Finally, he asked about the possibility of discussion before any vote is cast. Mayor Peterson pointed out that Roberts Rules of Order always allows for discussion following a motion and a second, before the vote is taken.

Trustee Trotier reminded residents that the Village 125th Anniversary is set to kick-off on Friday and run through Sunday with festivities each day. 125th Anniversary t-shirts are available in the Village Hall.

Trustee Joyce announced that he is still gathering information pertaining to adopting areas in town for beautification. Information will be presented to the board when completed.

Trustee Lopez Asked for a follow-up on street projects in town in regard to DOT.

Trustee Perchinski No Report.

Trustee Kozy No Report.

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BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE None

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 1259: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 54, SECTION 54-33 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson Voted Aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1159: A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AN INDUCEMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND BANA THREE CORPORATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COUNTIES OF COOK AND WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson Voted Aye. Motion carried

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the request for a Special Event Liquor License for the 125th Anniversary Event on 8/20/21-8/22/21. Hours: 8/20 6pm-1259 am, 8/21 3 pm-1259 am and 8/22 12pm-6pm. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson Voted Aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to table the request for a New business license for Voluptuous Smok'rs Cigar Lounge at 33 E 34th, pending inspections. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried

Trustee Joyce made a motion to table the request for a New liquor license for Voluptuous Smok'rs Cigar Lounge at 33 E 34th being a BYOB license pending inspections. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried

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There 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 7:20 pm.

Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk