

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 23rd day of March, 2022 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 for the roll. The following Trustees were present; Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson and Trustee Thurmond were present via zoom.

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

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Sergeant Peter Fajman was sworn in as new Deputy Chief of Police by Clerk Zagone. Patrolman George Hillman was sworn in as new Sergeant for the Steger Police Department by Clerk Zagone. Both were pinned by family members and presented their new badges. Both were congratulated by all.

MINUTES

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 7th Regular Meeting as all members have copies with one correction to Trustee Joyces' vote on paying bills. Correction stated he voted aye to pay all bills except Gianopolis to which he voted no. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen Last week Dave Toepper and I had our first meeting with Robinson Engineering regarding lead pipe replacement. They have acquired good maps from the Cook County GIS and are working with Will County. There will be meetings planned. Trustee Perchinski asked if this was about flooding, and Ms. Seehausen explained that it was for lead pipe replacement and that some of the flooding work would have to wait to be done at the same time as the pipes because grant money will not pay to open the roads twice for separate fixes. Additionally, we had done the Capital Improvement Plan with CMAP and there was extra money so CMAP

asked if we would be interested in them putting together our Capital Improvement plan. The first meeting has been held to kick off this program. The correct Appropriations numbers have been distributed and you will be asked to vote on that today. Further discussion on the flooding issues, she pointed out that there are seven areas to be addressed to help with the flooding problems. It will be necessary to coincide with lead pipe replacement to make both projects financially feasible. It is our hope that our relationship with MWRD will help get us help from the Army Corp of Engineers. Finally, there are three ordinances on the agenda dealing with Village owned properties that we want to get into the hands of the Village EDC. Since Mayor Peterson is not here to make appointments to the EDC, I am asking that we table these three ordinances until our next board meeting.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper We will be meeting with Cook County on Friday to get details regarding the paving of Steger Road from Union Avenue to Kings Road.

Deputy Fire Chief James Baine Announced that the Fire Department is having their Easter Egg Hunt this year on Sunday April 10th.

Police Chief Greg Smith We have registered for National Night Out on Tuesday August 2nd. We will be planning that and getting information out as details become available.

EMA Chief Tom Johnston Director from Crete EMA reached out to let us know that IDOT will be replacing the bridge on Main St./Rt.1 just south of the Chicago Rd/Union Ave merge. When this occurs later this year, Union Avenue will be closed at Richton Rd for 90 days.

Community Center Director Diana Rossi No Report.

Village Attorney

Treasurer

MAYORS REPORT No Report.

VILLAGE CLERK No Report.

TRUSTEES' REPORTS

Trustee Thurmond I look forward to seeing everyone at the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast this coming Sunday morning at the VFW Hall.

Trustee Trotier Trustee Lopez and I took time to tour the area to designate areas to concentrate on during our Earth Day Cleanup on April 23rd. Volunteers are needed and can call Village Hall. There are areas that we will be looking into. Veteran's Park has

areas to be worked on including cleaning up remnants of the last bonfire. Also, some parks are in need of some attention. Other areas have been selected to concentrate on.

Trustee Joyce In addition to the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, I am continuing to work on the Village inventory.

Trustee Lopez In coordination with Earth Day Cleanup, we will be having the first street sweeping of the year. It is planned the week of the 24th of April. If it rains it will be pushed to the end of the week after garbage collection. April 6th will be our first yard waste pick-up in the Village.

Trustee Perchinski I would like to congratulate Deputy Chief Fajman and Sergeant Hillman. They are very dedicated to our Village. I would like to offer condolences to the family of Robert Costello and Hunter Conner who died tragically in car wreck. Also, looking at another grant for park land. Though we do not qualify for one grant, but looking at others including one to extend the Crete bike trail to Steger Road. The K-Mart project, the developers are working with a new finance company and hope to hear something soon on that.

Trustee Kozy Steger Velocity Softball 18U has been able assist three deserving athletes for scholarships. There may be two more scholarships yet to come. Open gym night on Sundays has had a good turnout.

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. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table consideration of the 2022 Steger Summer Band program until more information is gathered. 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.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to table consideration of Ordinance Numbers: 1268, 1269 and 1270. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Roll was called. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Joyce made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1271: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74, SECTION 74-272 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS REGARDING SPECIAL EVENT LICENSES FOR THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, STATE OF 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 Lopez made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1272: THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK COUNTY AND WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022. 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 adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1273: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING OF AND CONSENTING TO AN APPLICATION BY DNM MANAGEMENT, 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 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.

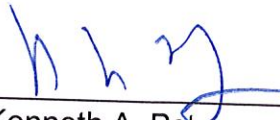
Trustee Perchinski made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 1165: A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A REPLACEMENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH SUBURBAN LAND BANK AND DEVELOPMENT. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Kozy, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried. Trustee Lopez and Mayor Peterson thanked Alice Peterson for serving on this board in the past and wished Trustee Trotier good luck as she moves into the position.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to accept the proposal from B&K Industries for water tower restoration. 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.

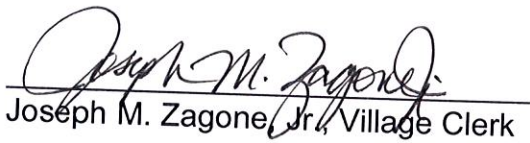
Being no further business:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.



Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President



Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk