

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2024 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger, Illinois. Mayor Peterson led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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

Also present: Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen, Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper, Fire Chief Mike Long, Community Center Director Diana Rossi, and Village Attorney James Vasselli. Police Chief Greg Smith and EMA Chief Jason Stevenson were absent.

**AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Alice Peterson announced the winners of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Home Decoration Contest:

1st Place: The Huff Family: 235 E 34<sup>th</sup> St.

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: The Lundin Family: 22735 Cottage Grove

3rd Place: The Hinchman Family: 3032 Phillips Ave.

Many thanks to all who participated.

**MINUTES**

Trustee Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17<sup>th</sup> Village Board meeting as all members have copies. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Carol Lindiman of 215 Barbara Lane came to the board to seek relief from weeds overgrowing the drainage area behind her house. Dave Toepper stated that the Village has received a grant from Will County to make improvements to drainage in that area. He is going to discuss the improvements with the Village Engineers and observe the current weed situation.

Sharon Cipkar of 22900 Woodlawn Ave. came to the board regarding the excessive potholes that have developed on Woodlawn Ave. The Village is going to see what can be done to help improve the roadway.

**REPORTS**

**Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen** Our drainage project for 33<sup>rd</sup> Street is on the calendar for the first week of August to start. In response to Trustee Joyce, contact has been made with the owner of 3245 Chicago Rd regarding plans to improve the property and open a new business. The owner has hired an architect to prepare plans for the property. Dave Toepper has reported to me that counters have been delivered to the new BP project at 34<sup>th</sup> and Chicago Rd. We don't have an exact date, but we should see something in the next couple of weeks. The new storm siren has been installed, we are just waiting for electricity to be connected. When this is complete, testing will be done. Residents will be notified via social media and the Village Website to announce that testing is being conducted.

**Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper** No report.

**Chief Michael Long** No report.

**Police Chief Greg Smith** No report.

**EMA Chief Jason Stevenson** No report.

**Community Center Director Diana Rossi** No report.

**Village Attorney** No report.

**Treasurer** Trustee Lopez reminded Cook County residents that tax bills are in the mail and are due August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**MAYORS REPORT** No report.

**VILLAGE CLERK** Village Clerk Zagone read a note of thanks from the family of Larry Nardoni for the expression of sympathy given by the Village.

## **TRUSTEES REPORTS**

### **BILLS**

Trustee Lopez made a motion to pay all bills when funds become available. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Stewart, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Michael Gamboa introduced himself and described the business he is hoping to open in Steger. EN Motors will restore and sell vintage automobiles. Some restoration work will take place on site, sales will be done via auction on the internet.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve a new business license application for EN Motors LLC at 27 E. 36<sup>th</sup> Place; pending inspections. Trustee Joyce seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Stewart, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

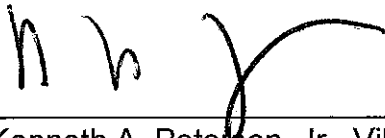
Trustee Stewart made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1320: AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO MANAGEMENT OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COUNTIES OF COOK AND WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Lopez, Stewart, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Trustee Thurmond abstained. Motion carried.

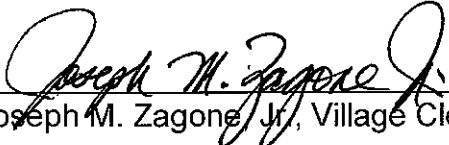
Trustee Stewart made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 1321: AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO NON-UNION EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COUNTIES OF COOK AND WILL, STATE OF ILLINOIS. Trustee Perchinski seconded the motion. Roll was called. The following Trustees voted aye; Thurmond, Lopez, Stewart, Trotier, Joyce and Perchinski. Mayor Peterson voted aye. Motion carried.

Being no further business:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

  
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Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

  
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Joseph M. Zagone, Jr., Village Clerk