

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 4th day of August 2025 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger, Illinois. Mayor Joyce led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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

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

AWARDS, HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION

MINUTES

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 21st meeting as all members have copies. Trustee Trotier seconded the motion.
Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS

Village Administrator Mary Jo Seehausen Our RFP for our website and local ad design ended yesterday. We have 18 proposals in my office that we will be going through. We had a really good response to that. Hopefully between now and the next meeting, the Mayor and I will be able to go through them and see what we are going to bring back to the board.

Director of Public Infrastructure Dave Toepper No report.

Fire Chief Mike Long No report.

Police Chief Greg Smith I want to thank everyone for Speed Awareness Day, everyone in Steger seemed to do their part. Myself and the officers did write 41 state tickets, we wrote 13 warning tickets also for speeding. Thirteen other violations for a total of 67 citations. We will continue to do this for the rest of the month.

EMA Chief Jason Stevenson No report.

Community Center Director No report.

Village Attorney No report.

Treasurer No Report.

MAYORS REPORT We are working on an ordinance for electric bikes that will be coming up at the next Committee of the Whole Meeting where it will be opened up to the public for comment. It will be on our website. If you want information, it will be at the next meeting.

VILLAGE CLERK Read a Thank You note from State Representative Anthony DeLuca regarding his recent Picnic for Veterans.

VILLAGE ENGINEER No report.

TRUSTEES REPORTS

None.

BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve a new business license for Liscore Cycle at 3722 Union Ave. pending inspections. Trustee Thurmond seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve a new business license for Smili Foot Spa at 22 E. 33rd Place pending inspections. Trustee Stewart seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

The owner of Nardos Auto Sales and Service, Lanard Allen introduced himself and explained the business he is bringing to Steger. He will be bringing in classic cars and restoring them for resale. After questions from trustees:

Trustee Perchinski made a motion to approve a new business license for Nardos Auto Sales and Service at 3620 Union Ave. pending inspections. Trustee Thurmond seconded the motion.

Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Robert Pluskota, Commander of the VFW in Steger. He came to the board to apologize for missing the Veteran Ceremony on Memorial Day as he was dealing with health issues. He has gotten his health back in order and plans to move forward with his work for the VFW and for veterans. Mr. Pluskota offered thanks to the Mayor and his family, the Police and Fire Departments for fine services they provided for the ceremony on Memorial Day.

Courtney Reynolds came before the board to discuss her disappointment with the Steger Police Department for their treatment of her and her family. This all seems to have to do with an animal rescue service being run at her residence in Steger. Mayor Joyce asked Ms. Reynolds to stay after the meeting and he would meet with her to discuss all of her issues.

Cindy Blaylock came before the board to discuss the condition of the alley behind her house. The alley runs between Halsted Blvd and Green Street behind her residence. Some of the potholes have been filled, but there is still a sink hole at the east end of the alley. Mayor Joyce will visit the site with Dave Toepper and see what can be done. Ms. Blaylock further discussed speeding on Steger Road. Police Chief Smith reiterated that we are currently in a program of cracking down on speeding in the Village. Next, she discussed dog owners allowing their dogs to run loose. A neighbor has a dog that runs loose and does it's business in her yard. Finally, she voiced concerns about feral cats in her neighborhood. Ms. Blaylock offered support to Ms. Reynolds and suggested that the Village should be helping her with her animal rescue efforts. Mayor Joyce explained that his door and ears are open to everyone. If there is an issue with my police officers, I expect a phone call. Mayor Joyce offered to meet separately with Ms. Blaylock.

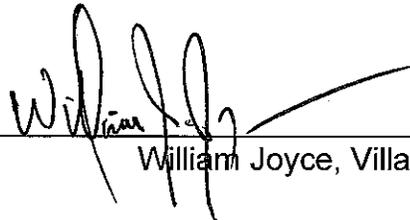
Joe & Camille Mossoczy of 3410 Phillips Ave. came to discuss the alley that runs between Wallace and Phillips just south of Steger Road. It is so overgrown with weeds that it is almost impassable. There is also an issue with weeds that have grown to be trees that are affecting his power lines, but the trees are not on his property. Mayor Joyce said we would go over and see what can be done.

Mrs. Massoczy spoke regarding a second house they own at 15 W. 37th St. The house next door to the east has fallen into disrepair over the past 20 years. The weeds are overgrown to a point that you can't see the fence. Additionally, the alley is also getting overgrown. Mayor Joyce is going to have Code Enforcement take a look and see what next steps are.

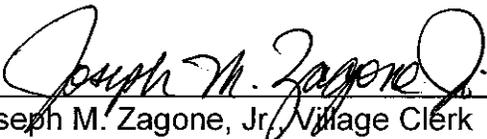
Being no further business:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.



William Joyce, Village President



Joseph M. Zagone, Jr. Village Clerk