

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 7th day of August 2006 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with President Sherman in the Chair and presiding and Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. attending.

The Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. Also present were Police Chief Richard Stultz, Fire Chief Albert Martinez, Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Resident Observer Roger Mumford, Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles, Village Accountant Elizabeth Kubal, and Village Attorney Franklin D. Burkey.

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with as all members have copies and they be accepted as written. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

Trustee Honea reported that for the month of July 2006, the Fire Department had a total of 72 hours of firefighter training, 22 hours of special training, 15 hours of E.M.S. training, 62 ambulance calls and 27 fire calls for a total of 89 calls for the month.

Trustee Honea made a motion to accept Michael Haskins, Jr. as a probationary firefighter pending background check and physical. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that the Economic Development Committee has been meeting with South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association and they are currently working on putting together a summit of all the towns along the new Southeast Service Line on October 14, 2006. Trustee Peterson further advised that they would like all Village Board Members, Plan Commission members, and Zoning Board members in attendance at the summit.

TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT

Trustee Kaiser reported that for the month of July 2006 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 1,164 hours. Trustee Kaiser reported that the top three (3) units for the month were Unit 703, John Zajac with 73 hours, Unit #706, Tom Ball with 67 hours, Unit #705 Tom Johnston with 58 hours.

Trustee Kaiser reported that following the Community Day Parade E.S.D.A. will be hosting an E.S.D.A. Fest at Veteran's Park.

Trustee Kaiser announced that on July 13, 2006, Roger Mumford was re-elected to his fourteenth term as President for the South Mutual Assistance Response Team (S.M.A.R.T.), which consists of over thirty-eight (38) E.S.D.A. units in Cook and Will Counties.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that the upgrades to the bathrooms at Veteran's Park should be completed by tomorrow. Trustee Kozy further reported that the new park equipment has been ordered and it will arrive in September. Trustee Kozy also reported that the Football Field is in good shape, it was mowed down to a playable level. Finally, Trustee Kozy announced that work on the soccer field would start in September.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen read the following from the Water Operator's Report for the month of July 2006: Well #2 ran 306 hours and pumped 12,995,000 gallons of water and Well #3 ran 307 hours and pumped 10,389,000 gallons of water for a total of 23,384,000 gallons of water pumped during the month. Trustee Seehausen also reported that all water samples came back satisfactory. Trustee Seehausen also reported that there were two (2) water main breaks repaired and one (1) fire hydrant replaced.

Trustee Seehausen listed the streets that have been scheduled for re-construction under Public Benefit and MFT Funds and they are as follows: Public Benefit Funds; 30th Place from Union Avenue to the railroad tracks, and West 31st Place from Chicago Road to Halsted Street. MFT Funds: Woodlawn from 32nd Street to the end of the street, 32nd Street from Cottage Grove to Woodlawn, 32nd Street east of Hopkins Avenue to Phillips Avenue, 36th Street from Emerald Avenue to Carpenter Street and 100 feet south on Morgan Street, 33rd Street from Morgan to Carpenter Street including the parking lot at the park.

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

Trustee Fajman reported that in the month of July the Police Department had 2,265 calls, 169 tickets were issued, 59 arrests, 240 c-tickets written, and 33 adjudication tickets were written.

Presentation of Plaque to Crossing Guard Donna Mattox

Police Chief Richard Stultz presented Donna Mattox with a plaque in recognition of her seventeen (17) years of dedicated public service as a crossing guard. President Sherman thanked Donna for doing an excellent job as a crossing guard.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to suspend the reading of the bills and to pass the bills for payment. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for July 2006, which was \$199,763.99.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District Charges for the month of July 2006, which was \$27,295.01.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for July 2006:

Municipal Sales Tax for May 2006	\$	47,341.19
Telecommunication Tax for May 2006	\$	26,108.40
State Income Tax for June 2006	\$	72,957.46
Local Use Tax for June 2006	\$	10,931.36
Replacement Tax for May - June 2006	\$	5,174.17
Motor Fuel Tax for May 2006	\$	25,098.57
Utility Revenue for June 2006	\$	18,930.43
Will County Fines for June 2006	\$	41.00
Will County Fines for July 2006	\$	45.00
Cook County Fines for April 2006	\$	1,482.77

Trustee Seehausen moved to accept the reports and place them on file. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Village Clerk read a letter from Jackie LaBedz requesting permission to collect donations on the corner of Chicago Road and Steger Road on behalf of the Susan B. Komen Foundation to help research and find a cure for breast cancer on Sunday, August 12th, 2006 from 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 804-2 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER SIX, SECTION 6-76 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF STEGER ENTITLED LIMITATION ON LICENSES

The Village Clerk read Ordinance No. 804-2 "Ordinance Amending Chapter Six, Section 6-76 of the Municipal Code of Steger Entitled Limitation on Licenses". Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt the Ordinance as written. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS (CONT.)

Discussion on canceling the contract with Professional Cleaning Services due to default in contract

Village Clerk Recupito advised that he has had verbal conversations with the cleaning company concerning the canceling of the contract due to default in the contract. Village Clerk Recupito further advised that the services have not improved and they refuse to voluntarily cancel the contract. Trustee Fajman made a motion to cancel the contract. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Village Clerk Recupito asked for permission to advertise for bids for a cleaning company. Trustee Peterson made a motion to advertise for bids. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 917 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO A TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND HOME PROPERTIES, COLONIES, LLC

The Village Clerk read Resolution No. 917 "Resolution Authorizing Entry into a Traffic Enforcement Agreement by and between the Village of Steger and Home Properties, Colonies, LLC". Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 917. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 918 RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND WILL COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The Village Clerk read Resolution No. 918 "Resolution Entering into Mutual Aid Agreement by and between the Village of Steger and Will County Sheriff's Department". Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 918. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion on canceling the 1st Board Meeting of September

Trustee Fajman made a motion to cancel the Board Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th, 2006 and authorize the Village Clerk to pay all recurring bills. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (CONT.)

The Village Clerk read a memo from Village Administrator Conrad R. Kiebles requesting permission to attend the ICMA annual conference in San Antonio, Texas from September 10th through September 13th, 2006 at an approximate cost not to exceed \$1,700.00. Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a memo from E.S.D.A. Coordinator, Roger Mumford, requesting permission for him and two (2) other E.S.D.A. members to attend the Illinois Emergency Services Training in Springfield September 4th through September 7th, 2006 at a cost of \$130.00 each along with a request to provide each member with \$170.00 for expenses. Trustee Kaiser made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read the business license application for Reese Training, Inc. DBA/Total Knock-outs at 27 East 34th Street. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the business license application pending inspections. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye.

Village Clerk Recupito announced there was a bid opening this morning for road reconstruction as Trustee Seehausen mentioned during his report. Village Clerk Recupito further announced that three (3) bids were received for the Public Benefit portion and Sunset Paving was the low bidder. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the bid from Sunset Paving. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried. Village Clerk Recupito further announced that two (2) bids were received for the MFT portion and Gallagher Asphalt was the low bidder. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the bid from Gallagher Asphalt. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

A resident asked when the concrete behind the Jehovah Witness Church is going to be moved. President Sherman asked the Resident Observer to look into the situation.

A resident from Carpenter Street complained about a resident on Carpenter having three (3) pigs and the condition of the property. She also asked if pigs were allowed within the Village limits.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (CONT.)

A resident from 3125 Carpenter Street voiced her concerns about the pigs that are being housed on Carpenter Street. The resident also advised about the berm being maintained. The resident further advised that when it rains the water runs over the berm.

A resident asked when his sidewalk would be fixed in accordance with the 50/50 sidewalk program.

There being no further business to discuss, Trustee Seehausen moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:22 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk