

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 December, 2009 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: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Also present were Supt. of Public Works Bill Cox, Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Asst Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Police Chief Richard Stultz, Village Auditor Pete Skinger and Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and they be accepted as written as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

Trustee Honea reported that in November the Fire Department responded to fifty two (52) ambulance calls and thirty seven (37) fire calls. There were one hundred sixty five (165) hours of Firefighter training, sixty nine (69) hours of Firefighter II training, thirty two (32) hours of special training and six (6) hours of EMS training.

Trustee Honea introduced Jordan Lane, a member of Steger ESDA and recently graduated #1 in his boot camp class. Jordan will be leaving for Germany in January. Casey Tomlin, from San Antonio, Texas will be leaving for Kentucky in January. Both Jordan and Casey are scheduled to go to Afghanistan in July 2010. The audience applauded their hard work and dedication.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Economic Development Committee reports that the Dialysis Center across from Eastview School appears to be moving forward. May break ground soon.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

Trustee Lopez reminded all that the Senior Luncheon will be held at the Community Center on Friday December 12th at a cost of \$8.00 per person.

Trustee Lopez also requested the flag at Veterans Park be replaced.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen reported that in November all bacterial and fluoride samples came back from IEPA as satisfactory. The Water Department repaired one (1) water main break and one (1) fire hydrant during the month.

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

Trustee Banicki reported that the Building Department issued 35 building permits for total revenue to the Village of \$6,715.00.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion approving the bills for payment. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for November, 2009 which was \$199,992.60. The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of November 2009, which was \$21,778.76. The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for November 2009:

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX	\$ 44,694.87	September 2009
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX	\$ 28,804.74	September 2009
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	Sept. 2009-Delay
STATE INCOME TAX	\$ 0.00	August 2009 Delay
LOCAL USE TAX	\$ 8,437.04	October 2009
MOTOR FUEL TAX	\$ 16,307.72	October 2009
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 17,232.45	October 2009
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 4,451.53	October 2009
UTILITY REVENUE	\$ 3,924.25	September 2009
WILL COUNTY FINES	\$ 292.00	October 2009
COOK COUNTY FINES	\$ 0.00	Sept. 2009-Delay

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the Collector's Report and place it on file. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table to the December 21st Board meeting, the request of Eastview Elementary School to use the Community Center as its primary emergency relocation site in the event of an emergency.

Trustee Peterson recommends that the School District obtain an insurance rider to cover the Village in this situation. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to table RESOLUTION NO.973 AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT TO SERVE AS, OR TO APPOINT, THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER TO THE SOUTH SUBURBAN HOUSING COLLABORATIVE until the January 4, 2010 Board meeting. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 995 ABATING THE TAX HERETOFORE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2009 TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON \$1,390,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2003 (ALTERNATIVE REVENUE SOURCE), OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 996 LEVYING TAXES FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COUNTIES OF COOK AND WILL, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING ON THE FIRST DAY OF MAY, 2009 AND ENDING ON THE THIRTIETH DAY OF APRIL, 2010. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to accept Danny Durnavich as a probationary Firefighter, pending background and medical checks, as requested by Fire Chief Al Martinez. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the temporary Business License of M & J Auto Repairs and Sales at 3308 Union Avenue, pending inspections. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to accept the 2010 Board meeting dates. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Seehausen, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Village Clerk announced that the Village Hall will be closed Thursday December 24th and Friday December 25th for the Christmas Holidays and Friday January 1, 2010 for the New Year Holiday.

The Clerk also announced that the first meeting of the Village Finance Committee will be Wednesday December 16th at 6pm. President Sherman reiterated that the Finance Committee will include President Sherman and Trustees Seehausen and Banicki.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Emily Kenny of 3411 Peoria approached the Board regarding water usage and water conservation. Kenny would like to see the minimum water billing amount eliminated.

ADJOURNMENT

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 7:13PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk