

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 21st day of July, 2008 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: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. Trustees Fajman and Peterson were absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Auditor Pete Skinger, Superintendent of Public Works, Bill Cox and Village Administrator, Conrad R. Kiebles.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT

Trustee Kaiser reported on the recent success of the softball and baseball teams in area tournament play. He stated that teams can look forward to future success as players grow and stay with the Steger teams.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

None

BILLS

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Honea made a motion to permit "Fill the Boot" Tag Day to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association on Saturday August 2, 2008 between 9am and 2pm. Collection points will be at the intersection of 34th Street and Chicago Road and several store fronts in the village. As requested by Megan Cummins of Joliet Muscular Dystrophy Association and Lt. Noella Garcia of the Steger Firefighters Association, members of the Steger Firefighters Association will be collecting donations. The motion was seconded by Trustee

CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)

Seehausen. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the resignation of Anthony J. Rossi from the Steger Plan Commission. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the resignation of Walter Perry from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Honea made a motion to appoint James Brodeur to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to allow the St. Liborius Peace and Social Justice to hold a "Peace Prayer Vigil and Walk for Non Violence" on Sunday September 7, 2008 from 7 to 8 pm. Trustee Honea's motion includes an alternate "Walk" route keeping participants off of Chicago Road and at least one block away from Intersection of 34th Street and Chicago Road. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to allow the St. Liborius Peace and Social Justice Rosary to hold an "America needs Fatima Rosary Rally" on Saturday October 11, 2008 from 11:30am to noon. Trustee Honea's motion includes an alternate "Walk" route keeping participants off of Chicago Road and at least one block away from Intersection of 34th Street and Chicago Road. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve a Beer and Wine Only Liquor License for Diamond Food Mart. Motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. Trustee Seehausen voted no, President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

none

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Honea made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 804.5 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER SIX, SECTION 6-76 ENTITLED LIMITATIONS ON LICENSES. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. Trustee Seehausen voted no, President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (cont.):

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 967 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 968 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR COLLECTION OF THORN CREEK SANITARY DISTRICT'S SEWER CHARGES. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 949 A RESOLUTION HONORING ANTHONY ROSSI FOR 35 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. Motion was seconded by Trustee Honea. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Mr. Rossi came forward and was presented with a plaque from the Board of Trustees and Mayor Sherman. Mr. Rossi thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve. He was grateful to have been a part of the progress and achievements he has witnessed in the Village during his 35 years.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to finance the purchase of two International dump trucks through First United Bank for a four year period at a rate of 4.28%, as recommended by Village Accountant Jolynda Reyes. Motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to send four ESDA personnel to the 2008 Illinois State Conference September 2-4, 2008. Expense checks will be issued to the participants. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to donate \$200.00 to Bloom Township Senior Picnic to be held at Bloom Township Veterans Memorial Park in Glenwood on August 7, 2008, as requested by Bloom Township Supervisor, T.J. Somer. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 969 AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE CORPORATE PURPOSE OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING MAY 1, 2008 AND ENDING ON APRIL 30, 2009. The motion was seconded by Trustee Honea. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

Cook County has informed the Village of Steger that it will be the recipient of a \$150,000.00 Cook County Community Development Block Grant for the 2008 Program Year. Mayor Sherman reported that work will begin in the spring of 2009 on Halsted Street from Steger Road to Richton Road.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

John Cashman asked the Board what will be done with the home at 3520 Phillips. It appears to be abandoned and over run with animals. Code Enforcement Officer, Edward Myers stated that he has an appointment to meet with the Realtor regarding the home. Mr. Cashman asked at what point the home can be demolished. Mayor Sherman stated that the question will be put to the Village Attorney.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:18 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk