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 1ST day of June, 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, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. Trustee Seehausen was absent. Also present were Police Chief Richard Stultz, Asst. Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Supt. of Public Works Bill Cox, ESDA Director Roger Mumford, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Code Enforcement Officer Edward Myers, Village Attorney Frank Burkey and Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles.

MINUTES

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

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

Trustee Honea reported that in May the Fire Department responded to 84 ambulance calls and 30 fire calls. There were 99 hours of firefighter training, 39 hours of firefighter II training classes, 10 hours of special training. Trustee Honea invited everyone to attend the 4th Annual Day of Prayer Saturday June 6th at the Gazebo on Halsted Boulevard. The event begins at 10am and will be followed with music and food concluding at approximately 1pm.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that the Economic Development Committee will meet Thursday June 18th at the Village Hall.

TRUSTEE LOPEZ'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that in May ESDA participated in the Memorial Day Service, Bloom Trail's Graduation, Rickover Graduation, The DARE Dance and trainings. In June, ESDA will provide service at Columbia Central graduation, Steger Day of Prayer, Drivin' the Dixie, Military Convoy and the Steger Fun Faire.

TRUSTEE BANICKI'S REPORT

None

BILLS

Trustee Peterson 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: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for May, 2009 which was $ 292,123.42.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges for the month of May 2009, which was $24,990.12.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for March 2009

MUNICIPAL SALES TAX		$34,391.05		March 2009
TELECOMMUNICATION TAX		$30,321.52		March 2009
STATE INCOME TAX		$48,685.55		February 2009
STATE INCOME TAX		$ 0.00		March 2009 Delay
REPLACEMENT TAX		$ 5,849.46		April 2009
LOCAL USE TAX		$ 8,628.06		April 2009
MOTOR FUEL TAX		$19,328.09		April 2009
UTILITY REVENUE		$15,918.47		April 2009
UTILITY REVENUE		$15,446.50		April 2009
UTILITY REVENUE		$22,731.12		March 2009
WILL COUNTY FINES		$ 188.00		April 2009
COOK COUNTY FINES		$ 1,696.43		February 2009

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

CORRESPONDENCE

Thorn Creek Sanitary District has notified the Board that an increase to the user charge rate of 8% will be implemented for the 2009/10 fiscal year and that another rate increase may be required next fiscal year.

The Village Clerk read an e mail from the Cornell Hudson Family thanking the Village and the Community Center staff for providing a location for a recent family gathering. Mr. Hudson states that Diane Rossi and her staff are professional and a pleasure to work with.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request of Barbara Herzic, Devotional Minister from St. Liborius Church to have Halsted Boulevard closed from 35th Street to 36th Street on Saturday June 13, 2009 from 5:50pm to 6:45pm for the Corpus Christi procession. Trustee Honea also requests that the church distribute flyers to homes on both sides of Halsted Boulevard in that block to make residents aware of the closing. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request of the Village Clerk to advertise for bids on the 1992 Dump Truck with a minimum bid of$7,500.00 Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to advertise for bids for concrete work to be completed at the Fire Department Headquarters, as requested by Fire Chief Al Martinez. The motion was seconded by Trustee Peterson. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to accept the low bid by H. Moenck and Son for Street Lights Maintenance. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the business license application of Another Hole in the Wall at 3236 Union Avenue, pending inspections. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Don Miller, owner of Another Hole in the Wall addressed the Board and answered questions regarding the potential business. After discussion, Trustee Kozy made a motion to table the business license application for further research. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request of The Crete Woman's Club to place a sign at the northeast corner of Steger Road and Wentworth on June 24 & 25, 2009 to advertise their annual Garden Walk. The Woman's Club will be responsible to remove the sign on the 25th of June. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote; all ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion to approve the request of ESDA Coordinator Roger Mumford to purchase a 2005 Impala from Town & Country Motors for $1,500.00 using the 1997 Ford Explorer and the 2002 Chevy Impala as trade in. After discussion, roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Banicki, Kozy, Lopez, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Meredith Horn of 22805 State Street addressed the Board inquiring as to updated status on Pat's Landscaping issue that was discussed at May 19th Board meeting. Project Manager Roger Mumford states that the EPA, Code Enforcement and himself met with Pat's Landscaping. EPA advised Pat's Landscaping not to move the mound of debris currently on the property until the Department of Water Ways contacts them with further direction. Ms. Horn asked about a violation to be issued to Pat's Landscaping. President Sherman stated that until the EPA provides direction no violation will be written. President Sherman stated that Pat's Landscaping has been given thirty (30) days to take corrective measures.

President Sherman announced the department liaison positions for each of the Trustees as follows;

Trustee Seehausen - Department of Public Works
Trustee Honea - Fire Department
Trustee Peterson - Police Department & Economic Development
Trustee Kozy - E.S.D.A.
Trustee Banicki - Building Department & Code Enforcement
Trustee Lopez - Parks & Recreation

Lisa Gineris of 60 E. 227th Place addressed the Board regarding the Pat's Landscaping issue. Ms. Gineris thanked the Board for addressing the issue with the EPA and expressed concern that the condition of the property be looked at fairly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Sherman announced that the Village has received $125,000 grant from the State Representative and another $50,000 grant for a project. President Sherman states that $500,000 to $1,000,000.00 is expected from Stimulus money for roads and projects in the Village.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL

Cancelled.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:20 PM

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Louis Sherman, Village President

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk