

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 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 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, Resident Observer Roger Mumford, Village Engineer Joseph A. Schudt, 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 May 2006, the Fire Department had a total of 150 hours of firefighter training, 4 hours of special training, 24 hours of E.M.S. training, 61 ambulance calls and 18 fire calls for a total of 79 calls for the month.

On behalf of the Fire Department, Trustee Honea thanked everyone who helped and/or supported the Spaghetti Dinner.

Trustee Honea announced that Rich Marino received a \$500.00 scholarship from the International Association of Fire Chiefs for classes to further his training.

**TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT**

Trustee Peterson reported that the Economic Development Committee took a trip and visited the cities and villages of Elmhurst, Downers Grove, Lockport, Lemont, and Tinley Park. Trustee Peterson further reported that they met with representatives of the cities and villages.

Trustee Peterson reported that the next Economic Development Committee meeting will be on June 22, 2006 at 7:00 PM. Trustee Peterson advised that the consultant will be unveiling the Economic Development Committee's plan.

**TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT**

Trustee Kaiser reported that the top three (3) units for the month of May 2006 were Unit #708, Mark Cooper with 52 hours, Unit 703, John Zajac with 38 hours, and Unit #705 Tom Johnson with 28 hours.

Trustee Kaiser reported that for the month of May 2006 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 756 hours.

### **TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT**

Trustee Kozy reported that the Village would be hosting the Bulls' Camp at the Community Center.

Trustee Kozy announced that at the last Recreation Board Meeting, the Recreation Board unanimously voted to change their meeting dates from the fourth Monday of every month to the fourth Tuesday of every month.

### **TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT**

Trustee Fajman reported that for the month of May 2006 the Police Department handled a total of 1,704 calls. Trustee Fajman further reported that for the month of May 2006, 145 tickets, 193 C-tickets, and 50 A-O tickets were issued along with 70 arrests made.

Trustee Fajman reported that over the Memorial Day Holiday, the Police Department took part in a Seat Belt Enforcement Grant Program and during the check there were 81 seat belt violations, 3 child restraint violations, 4 insurance violations, and 4 license violations. Trustee Fajman further reported that a total of 3,828 vehicles went through the check. Trustee Fajman stated that the statistics show that there is 97% compliance rate on seat belt violations.

Trustee Fajman reported that the Police Department received a letter and citation from the U.S. Attorney General's Office commending the Police Department their participation in the Gun Lock Program.

### **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.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Village Clerk read a letter from Tonya Eisenburg of 23235 Wentworth Avenue requesting that the Village post a sign on her street indicating caution children at play or caution/slow handicapped child. Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Kozy 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 letter from Muscular Dystrophy Association requesting permission for the Fire Department to solicit donations for MDA at the intersection of 34<sup>th</sup> Street and Chicago Road on Saturday, July 29, 2006 from 9:00 AM until 2:00 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.

### **CORRESPONDENCE (CONT.)**

The Village Clerk read a letter from the Steger Area Chamber of Commerce requesting the following: 1) permission to host their annual Summer Faire in Veterans Park - July 6<sup>th</sup> through July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2) approval of a liquor license for the event, 3) assistance from E.S.D.A. for security and traffic control, 4) assistance from the Police Department for security on the grounds, 5) assistance from the Fire Department by having an ambulance and crew on the grounds, 6) a donation of \$6,000.00 towards half of the cost of the fireworks display on the last night of the event. There was a brief discussion concerning reimbursement of salaries for the Police and Fire Department personnel and it was confirmed that the Chamber pays for the Police Department to patrol the grounds and it was not necessary for the Fire Department to have a crew on the grounds. Trustee Kozy asked about the company that will be providing the fireworks because the company they had last year did not clean up after the show. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the requests with the following stipulations; 1) the Fire Department would not be on the grounds but would respond as needed, 2) the company providing the fireworks display cleans up after the show, and 3) a donation of \$3,000.00 towards the fireworks. 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 letter from St. Liborius Church requesting that E.S.D.A. block off 35<sup>th</sup> Street and 36<sup>th</sup> Street at Halsted Boulevard for a prayer procession on Saturday, June 17, 2006 from 5:45 PM until 6:30 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.

The Village Clerk read a letter from the Wildcat Youth Football and Cheerleading Organization requesting permission to conduct a Spirit Drive/Streetwalk on the corner of Steger Road and Chicago Road on Saturday, June 24, 2006 from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Village Clerk read a letter from Village Engineer Joseph A. Schudt recommending that occupancy for 3141 Carpenter Street is withheld until the retaining wall shown on the approved plans for A. Patrick Builders is installed. Trustee Peterson made a motion to allow the certificate of occupancy for 3141 Carpenter Street provided all requirements are met and to rely on the letter of credit for the retaining wall. 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.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Village Clerk read a memo from Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles recommending the acceptance of the proposal from Sportsfields in the amount of \$19,625.00 to rehab the football field at Veterans Park. Trustee Kozy made a motion to accept the proposal. 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.

### **NEW BUSINESS (CONT.)**

The Village Clerk read a memo from Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles recommending the acceptance of the bid from Matthew Paving in the amount of \$49,349.00 for the footpath around Veterans Park. Trustee Fajman made a motion to accept the proposal. 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.

### **Discussion on the purchase of Card Imaging machine.**

After a brief discussion, Trustee Peterson made a motion to divide the cost by all Departments excluding the Police Department. 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.

### **Approval of a budget for the Dixie Dash event on Saturday, June 17, 2006.**

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve a budget of \$2,000.00 for the event. 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 letter from the New Colonies Apartments requesting the approval of a new agreement between the Village of Steger, Steger Police Department and the New Colonies Apartments regarding the enforcement of all local ordinances and state statutes on the New Colonies Apartments' property. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request. 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.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Village Clerk announced that there would be a Zoning Board Hearing on Wednesday, June 7, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the Village Meeting Room to discuss a request from Tom Fletcher D/B/A Shooter's Place for a zoning variance from B-1 to B-1-A6 which permits the gift or sale of alcoholic liquor with entertainment on the property commonly known as 3327 and 3329 Chicago Road.

The Village Clerk announced that there would be a Zoning Board Hearing on Wednesday, June 7, 2006 at 6:15 PM in the Village Meeting Room to discuss a request from Laurie Drown for a zoning variance in order to allow her to house three (3) potbelly pigs on the property commonly known as 3129 Carpenter Street.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

A resident from Oakland Drive voiced his concerns over the increase in traffic since the addition of Royal Oaks and now the other new subdivision that is going to be built at the end of Lisa Lane.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR (CONT.)**

Willie Brooks asked the Board to approve and sign the plat of subdivision for the Executive Estates of Steger pending the engineer's final approval. Engineer Joseph A. Schudt recommended the approval of the recording plat of subdivision, but added that no construction can be done until the engineering plan has been approved and the letter of credit has been posted. Trustee Fajman made a motion to concur with Engineer Joseph A. Schudt's recommendation. 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.

Heidi from the Colonies thanked the Board for approving her request for enforcement of local ordinances and state statues on the New Colonies Apartments' property and she presented a proposed agreement. Village President Sherman advised the Village Attorney would review the agreement and a Resolution will be prepared for approval.

Helen asked the Board about setting up a Railroad Safety Meeting regarding the recent accident. Village President Sherman advised her to put her request in writing and a meeting will be scheduled.

**REQUEST TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 7:22 PM.

The Board reconvened from Executive Session at 7:41 PM.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:41 PM**

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk