

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 6th day of August 2007 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, Superintendent Bill Cox, Village Administrator Conrad R. Kiebles, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Village Attorney Franklin D. Burkey, and Engineer Joseph A. Schudt.

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 2007, the Fire Department had a total of 102 hours of firefighter training, 21 hours of E.M.S. training, 62 ambulance calls and 23 fire calls for a total of 85 calls for the month.

Trustee Honea made a motion approve four (4) additional members on the Fire Department: Cathy Biasella, Nick Biasella, Dominick Panccazio, and Tony Blasina. 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 Honea announced that Brad Rivera is now an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) for the Fire Department.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that the next Economic Development Committee meeting will be Thursday, September 13, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

Trustee Peterson advised that he received a call from the Living Well Church requesting permission to use the Boulevard for a church picnic on August 19, 2007. After a brief discussion, it was determined that a request to use the Boulevard for the same day was on the agenda. Trustee Peterson advised he would notify the Church that the Boulevard is not available on that date.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that for the month of July 2007 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 1,438 hours. Trustee Kozy reported that the top three (3) units for the month were Unit 708, Andy Anifer with 124 hours, Unit #707, Tom Johnston with 88 hours, and Unit #706, Ed Mike Lopez with 76 hours.

Trustee Kozy read a letter from the Village of South Chicago Heights thanking E.S.D.A. for their assistance for the Centennial Homecoming, carnival, and parade.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen read the following from the Water Operator's Report for the month of July 2007: Well #2 ran 288 hours and pumped 12,636,000 gallons of water and Well #3 ran 288 hours and pumped 10,285,000 gallons of water for a total of 22,921,000 pumped for the month. Trustee Seehausen further reported that there were three (3) water main breaks during the month of May 2007. Trustee Seehausen also reported that all water samples came back satisfactory.

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

Trustee Fajman reported that for the month of July 2007 the Police Department handled a total of 1,882 calls of which 65 calls involved juveniles. Trustee Fajman further reported that for the month of July 2007, 103 tickets, 127 C-tickets, and 42 A-O tickets were issued along with 68 arrests made. Trustee Fajman further stated that the Police Department has handled over 10,000 calls so far this year.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to suspend the reading of the bills and to pass the bills for payment. 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.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for July 2007, which was \$210,724.28.

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District Charges for the month of July 2007, which was \$26,882.86.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for July 2007:

Municipal Sales Tax for May 2007	\$	42,069.30
Telecommunication Tax for May 2007	\$	32,042.85
State Income Tax for June 2007	\$	79,992.29
Replacement Tax for May 2007	\$	5,691.81
Local Use Tax for June 2007	\$	10,185.90
Motor Fuel Tax for May 2007	\$	20,495.10
Utility Revenue for June 2007	\$	18,887.31
Utility Revenue for June 2007	\$	10,209.99
Will County Fines for June 2007	\$	541.00
Cook County Fines for April 2007	\$	1,771.87
Cook County Fines for May 2007	\$	1,849.69

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

CORRESPONDENCE

The Village Clerk read a letter from St. Liborius Peace and Justice Committee requesting permission to use the Gazebo for their Peace Vigil on Sunday, September 9, 2007 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM. Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a letter from Steger Wildcat Football Program requesting permission to temporarily place a steel shipping/storage container at the football field site until the announcer's tower is rebuilt. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a letter from Crete Area Jaycees requesting permission to host a Car Wash in the Village Hall Parking Lot on Saturday, August 18, 2007 from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a letter from Shannon Fillion, Cubmaster for Pack 173, requesting permission to use Halsted Boulevard on Sunday, August 19, 2007 from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM as a port of call for their "Treasure Hunt". Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request provided they contact St. Liborius Church. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a letter from Save A Life Foundation requesting that the Village of Steger proclaim the month of September 2007 as "Save A Life Month". Trustee Seehausen 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.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE NO. 953 ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 82-485 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER

The Village Clerk read Ordinance No. 953 "Ordinance Amending Section 82-485 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Steger". Trustee Honea made a motion to adopt the Ordinance as written. 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. 934

RESOLUTION FOR CLASS 6(b) REAL ESTATE TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3024 LOUIS SHERMAN DRIVE, IN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, ILLINOIS PURSUANT TO THE COOK COUNTY REAL PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED

The Village Clerk read Resolution No 934 "Resolution for Class 6(b) Real Estate Tax Incentive for the Real Property located at 3024 Louis Sherman Drive, in the Village of Steger, Illinois Pursuant to the Cook County Real Property Classification Ordinance, as Amended". Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt the Resolution as written. 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. 935

RESOLUTION HONORING ROY STONE

Trustee Seehausen read Resolution No. 935 "Resolution Honoring Roy Stone". Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 935. 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. 936

RESOLUTION HONORING EDWARD PANSA

Trustee Seehausen read Resolution No. 936 "Resolution Honoring Edward Pansa". Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 936. 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.

President Sherman commented on the accident in which Mark Cooper was injured. President Sherman praised Roy Stone, Ed Pansa, and the Steger Fire Department for doing a tremendous job during the crisis. President Sherman asked Roy and Ed to step forward. President Sherman presented Roy Stone and Edward Pansa with a plaque honoring them for their bravery and courage.

The Village Clerk read a memo from Fire Chief Martinez requesting permission to advertise for bids to replace the gutters and downspouts on the new Fire Station. Trustee Honea made a motion to advertise for bids. 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.

The Village Clerk read a memo from Police Chief Stultz requesting permission to advertise for bids to sell four (4) surplus squad cars. Trustee Fajman made a motion to advertise for bids. 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.

NEW BUSINESS (CONT.)

The Village Clerk read a memo from Fire Chief Martinez requesting permission to purchase a power unit for the Jaws of Life at a cost of \$4,500.00. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the purchase. 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.

Awarding of the bid for the 1995 Chevrolet Caprice

The Village Clerk announced that bids were opened on Monday, July 23, 2007 and the high bidder was Chris Somervell with a bid of \$1,200.00; however, Chris withdrew his bid. The Village Clerk advised he contacted the next highest bidder, Chris Roth, who advised he would honor his bid. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the bid of \$699.00 from Chris Roth as it was the highest bid. 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.

Awarding of the bid for the 1998 Ford Windstar

The Village Clerk announced that bids were opened on Monday, July 23, 2007 and the high bidder was Chris Roth with a bid of \$1,453.00. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the bid of \$1,453.00 from Chris Roth as it was the highest bid. 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.

Awarding of the bid for the Apparatus Floor for the new Fire Station

The Village Clerk announced that bids were opened on Monday, July 30, 2007 and two (2) bids were received. Fire Chief Martinez requested to withdraw the request for the apparatus floor. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to reject the bids. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding Fire Station No. 3 at 22220 Sherman Road

The Village Clerk announced that there was a bid opening on Monday, July 30, 2007 at 10:00 AM for the sale of Fire Station No. 3 and no bids were received. After a brief discussion, Trustee Peterson made a motion to authorize the Village President to negotiate a contact with a realtor for the sale of Fire Station No. 3. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no comments from the floor.

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:20 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk