

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 2nd day of July 2007 in the Municipal Building of the Village of Steger with President Sherman in the Chair and presiding and Deputy Village Clerk Elizabeth Kubal attending.

The Deputy Village Clerk called the roll and the following Trustees were present: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. Absent was Trustee Peterson and Village Clerk Carmen S. Recupito, Jr. Also present were Police Chief Richard Stultz, Fire Chief Al Martinez, Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Superintendent William Cox, 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 Fajman 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 June 2007, the Fire Department had a total of 138 hours of firefighter training, 4 hours of special training, 15 hours of E.M.S. training, 45 ambulance calls and 25 fire calls for a total of 70 calls for the month.

Trustee Honea reported that progress on the new fire station is moving right along.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the Fire Department payroll for the second quarter. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT

Trustee Kaiser reported that Little League season ended this weekend. Trustee Kaiser further reported that girls' softball season has ended for this year. Trustee Kaiser also reported that the Senior Boys' All-Star game is in two (2) weeks.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that for the month of June 2007 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 863 hours. Trustee Kozy reported that the top three (3) units for the month were Unit 708, Andy Anifer with 52 hours, Unit #707, Tom Johnston with 42 hours, and Unit #706, Ed Mike Lopez with 33 hours.

Trustee Kozy read a letter from Central School Reunion Committee thanking E.S.D.A. for all their help for the reunion.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen read the following from the Water Operator's Report for the month of June 2007: Well #2 ran 276 hours and pumped 12,148,000 gallons of water and Well #3 ran 277 hours and pumped 9,994,000 gallons of water for a total of 22,142,000 gallons of water pumped during the month. Trustee Seehausen also reported that all water samples came back satisfactory. Trustee Seehausen also reported that there were two (2) water main breaks repaired during the month.

Trustee Seehausen reported that Public Works started spraying for mosquitoes last Wednesday and Thursday and they will continue to spray every other week as needed.

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

Trustee Fajman reported that for the month of June 2007 the Police Department handled a total of 1,731 calls. Trustee Fajman further reported that for the month of June 2007, 139 tickets, 151 C-tickets, and 70 A-O tickets were issued along with 67 arrests made.

Trustee Fajman read a letter from Air Systems of Illinois thanking Chief Stultz, Deputy Chief Rambo, and Trustee Fajman for their recent help in running employee background checks.

The owner of Air Systems of Illinois presented a donation to Chief Stultz for the D.A.R.E. Program.

BILLS

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

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Deputy Village Clerk read the gross payroll for June 2007, which was \$202,492.83.

The Deputy Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District Charges for the month of June 2007, which was \$19,532.28.

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

Municipal Sales Tax for April 2007	\$	44,639.17
Telecommunication Tax for April 2007	\$	30,114.36
State Income Tax for April 2007	\$	126,658.87
State Income Tax for April 2007	\$	80,787.09
Local Use Tax for May 2007	\$	9,985.78
Motor Fuel Tax for April 2007	\$	25,229.11
Utility Revenue for April 2007	\$	21,042.54
Utility Revenue for May 2007	\$	15,586.18
Utility Revenue for May 2007	\$	14,695.78

COLLECTOR'S REPORT (CONT.)

Will County Fines for September 2006	\$	265.00
Cook County Fines for January 2007	\$	3,065.43
Cook County Fines for February 2007	\$	1,673.45
Cook County Fines for March 2007	\$	2,388.32

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

CORRESPONDENCE

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from First Apostolic Church requesting permission to host a Steger Day of Prayer at the Gazebo on Saturday, June 7, 2008 from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Trustee Fajman 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 Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from South Suburban Humane Society requesting permission to solicit donations in the Village of Steger on October 19th, 20th, and 21st, 2007. 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.

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from Steger Kiwanis Club requesting permission to collect donations for their annual Peanut Day on major intersections in the Village on Friday, September 28, 2007. Trustee Fajman 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 Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from Royal Oak Estates Homeowner's Association requesting permission to block off Royal Oak Drive between lot numbers 1 & 24 and 24 & 22 for a block party on Saturday, August 18, 2007 from 1:30 PM until 5:30 PM along with a request to use five (5) Village picnic tables and two (2) barricades. Trustee Fajman 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 Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from Calumet Council Boy Scouts Crossroads District requesting permission to block off 33rd Street from Louis Sherman Drive to Keeney Avenue to host Cub Mobile Races on Saturday, October 13th, 2007 from 7:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Fire Chief Martinez voiced his concern over the fact that the new Fire Station would be up and running and there is a potential problem with blocking off the street. Trustee Kozy made a motion to reconsider. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to deny the request. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried. Trustee Honea suggested that the Boy Scouts be contacted to pick an alternate location for the Cub Mobile Races.

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT.)

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from G & G Realty Development Inc. requesting permission to erect three (3) signs advertising Gabriella Estates on the following corners: Wentworth Avenue and Steger Road, 30th Street and State Street, and in front of Gabriella Estates on Wentworth Avenue. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Trustee Honea suggested that the signs be put up parallel with the street to avoid blocking traffic. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from Big Dawgs Baseball requesting permission to host two (2) car washes in the Village Hall parking lot on Sunday, July 8th and Sunday August 5th, 2007 and to collect donations on the corner of Chicago Road and Steger Road for "Helmet Day" on Saturday, July 21st, 2007. Trustee Kaiser 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, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Honea advised that a street sign is needed for Woodlawn Avenue at 32nd Street and a sign is needed to indicate that Woodlawn is a dead end street.

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from Joseph A. Schudt and Associates recommending that the Village award the contract for the cleaning and televising of approximately 10 miles of sanitary sewer to National Power Rodding Corp. in the amount of \$74,904.35. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to concur with Joe Schudt's recommendation and award the contract to National Power Rodding Corp. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Awarding of the Street Light Maintenance Service Contract for 2007-2008

Trustee Honea made a motion to award the Street Light Maintenance Service Contract to H. Moenck & Son, Inc. as they were the only bidders. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read the business license application for Worldwide Wireless at 33 East 34th Street. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the business license pending inspections. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (CONT.)

The Deputy Village Clerk read the business license application for South Suburban Printing at 3334 Chicago Road. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the business license pending inspections. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read the business license application for US Express Mart at 45 East 34th Street. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the business license pending inspections. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read the liquor license application for US Express Mart at 45 East 34th Street. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the liquor license pending a background check. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 804-4 ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER SIX, SECTION 6-76 ENTITLED LIMITATION ON LICENSES

The Deputy Village Clerk read Ordinance No. 804-4 "Ordinance Amending Chapter Six, Section 6-76 Entitled Limitation on Licenses". Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the Ordinance increasing the number of liquor licenses from 18 to 19. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read a memo from E.S.D.A. Coordinator Roger Mumford asking the Board to consider paying the E.S.D.A. volunteers \$5.00 per call. Trustee Fajman made a motion to table. Motion to table died due to the lack of a second. Trustee Kozy made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. Trustee Fajman voted no. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Deputy Village Clerk read a letter from the Steger Area Chamber of Commerce requesting that the Village donate \$5,000.00 towards the fireworks for the Steger Summer Fair. President Sherman recommended a donation of \$3,500.00 towards the fireworks. Trustee Fajman made a motion to concur with the Village President's recommendation and donate \$3,500.00 towards the fireworks. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no comments from the floor

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contractual undertakings. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 7:21 PM.

The Board reconvened from Executive Session at 7:35 PM.

The Village President called the meeting back to order.

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 7:35 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Elizabeth Kubal, Deputy Village Clerk