

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 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 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: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. Trustee Fajman was absent. Also present were Police Chief Richard Stultz, Resident Observer Roger Mumford, Village Administrator Conrad R. Kiebles, Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, 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 announced that the Fire Department Association would be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 1 to 8 at Veteran's Park on Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Details and registration forms are available at Village Hall.

**TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT**

Trustee Peterson announced that the next Economic Development Committee Meeting would be on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 7:00 PM and that their consultant would be at the meeting to discuss their next steps.

**TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT**

Trustee Kaiser reported that for the month of January 2007 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 488 hours. Trustee Kaiser reported that the top three (3) units for the month were Unit 710, Jeff Morden with 43 hours, Unit #703, John Zajac with 42 hours, Unit #714 Andy Anifer with 32 hours.

Trustee Kaiser reported that for the month of February 2007 E.S.D.A. worked a total of 578 hours. Trustee Kaiser reported that the top three (3) units for the month were Unit 714, Andy Anifer with 53 hours, Unit #710, Jeff Morden with 41 hours, Unit #704 Mark Cooper with 37 hours.

**TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT**

Trustee Kozy thanked Roger Mumford for his help with volleyball.

**TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT**

Trustee Seehausen announced that beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, two (2) Public Works employees would be conducting sump pump inspections and they will be starting in the area of 30<sup>th</sup> Street and Carpenter Street and working their way towards Chicago Road.

Trustee Seehausen reported that 50 feet of sanitary sewer was just recently replaced on Union Avenue and 25 feet of sanitary sewer replaced at 37<sup>th</sup> and Wallace.

## **BILLS**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to suspend the reading of the bills and to pass the bills for payment with the exception of the Max's Landscaping bill in the amount of \$6,257.00 and the Copier World bill in the amount of \$954.00. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kaiser, and Honea. Trustees Kozy and Peterson voted no. After a brief discussion, Attorney Burkey advised that the bills could not be paid unless approved by a majority vote. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to pay the balance of the bills. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Village Clerk read a letter from Steger Football and Cheerleading Organization requesting permission to collect donations for their program on the corner of Steger Road and Chicago Road on the weekends from May 12<sup>th</sup> through June 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Trustee Seehausen 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 First Apostolic Church requesting permission to collect donations for their annual "Save Our Children" fundraiser on the corners of 34<sup>th</sup> Street & Union Avenue and 34<sup>th</sup> Street & Chicago Road on Saturday, April 28, 2007 from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Village Clerk read a letter from The Salvation Army requesting permission to host their annual Christmas Kettles fundraiser in the Village of Steger from Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, December 24, 2007. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request with the exception of December 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>, which is reserved for the Kiwanis fundraiser. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read the business license application for Ye Old 5 Loaves that was approved at the Board Meeting on March 5, 2007 and advised that the owner has changed the location of the business to 34 East 34<sup>th</sup> Street. Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the license pending inspections. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Approval of the Strategic Plan for the Village of Steger**

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the Strategic Plan for the Village of Steger as presented to the Village Board. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS (CONT.)**

The Village Clerk read a memo from Village Accountant Elizabeth Kubal requesting permission to transfer the Village's annual contribution to the D.A.R.E. Program. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the transfer of the annual contribution. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**Bid results for the sale of Fire Station #2 and Fire Station #3**

The Village Clerk announced that bids were opened on March 12, 2007 at 10:00 AM for the sale of Fire Station #2 on 3100 Union Avenue and Fire Station #3 on 22220 Sherman Road. The Village Clerk announced that two (2) bids were received for Fire Station #2; the first from Jim Hanus in the amount of \$100,000.00 and the second from Gregory Pero in the amount of \$26,798.00. The Village Clerk further announced that two (2) bids were received for Fire Station #3; the first from Don Esler in the amount of \$70,000.00 and the second from Gregory Pero in the amount of \$5,000.00. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to table. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**Bid results for the opening of the east wall of the Fire Station at 3320 Lewis Avenue**

The Village Clerk announced that only one (1) bid for the opening of the east wall of the Fire Station at 3320 Lewis was received and Fire Chief Al Martinez recommended accepting the bid from FBi Buildings in the amount of \$28,076.00. Trustee Honea made a motion to award the bid to FBi Buildings. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**Bid results for the purchase and installation of overhead/entry doors for the Fire Station at 3320 Lewis Avenue**

The Village Clerk announced that two (2) bids for the installation of overhead/entry doors for the Fire Station at 3320 Lewis Avenue were received and Fire Chief Al Martinez recommended accepting the low bid received from Murray Overhead Doors in the amount of \$16,496.00. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to award the bid to Murray Overhead Doors. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read the business license application for Patty's Gift World at 3324 Chicago Road. Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the business license pending inspections. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: 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 R. Kiebles requesting the street light on the 3400 block of Loverock be included on the Village's system. Village President Sherman advised the light is on private property; therefore he requested a motion to contact Com Ed to put up a much needed pole with light at that location. Trustee Peterson made a motion to have a street light put up at that location. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Village Clerk announced that the Village is accepting bids for a surplus 1996 Ford Crown Victoria and the bid opening would be on April 2, 2007 at 10:00 AM.

The Village Clerk announced that the Plan Commission will reconvene on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Steger Municipal Building to discuss the request of Robert D'Amico for approval of preliminary plot plat to subdivide ten (10) acres into seventeen (17) lots on the property that lies west of the Lake Hills subdivision.

The Village Clerk announced that the Executive Session scheduled for tonight was cancelled.

**COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

Harry Hammock complained about the ongoing problem with a stray pitbull dog in the 3200 Block of Florence Avenue.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:22 PM**

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk