

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 17th day of November, 2008 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: Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustee Seehausen was absent. Also present were Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Police Chief Richard Stultz, Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox, ESDA Director Roger Mumford and Village Administrator Conrad R. Kiebles.

MINUTES

Trustee Fajman moved that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and accepted as written as all members have copies. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson reported that Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers will be out on medical leave. Code Enforcement Officer Butch Brown will be filling in during his absence.

In October the building department issued 53 permits for total revenue to the village of \$5,580.00.

TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT

Trustee Kaiser thanked the Wildcat Football program for painting the kitchen in the concession stand. The Wildcat Program also plans to seed the football field in the coming weeks.

Trustee Kaiser also reported that five truck loads of bio-solids have been spread on the softball field to level the playing field.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

None

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

Trustee Fajman reported that in the month of October the Police Department had 56 calls involving juveniles. Police responded to a total of 1,890 calls, wrote 121 tickets, made 61 arrests, 168 C-Tickets and 86 A-O Tickets were issued.

BILLS

Trustee Fajman 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: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Honea made a motion that the two (2) 1992 Public Works dump trucks be declared surplus property and that the Village Clerk advertise them for sale with minimum bids set at \$10,500.00 each, as requested by Public Works Superintendent Bill Cox. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Kozy made a motion that the Code Enforcement 1999 Ford Crown Victoria squad to be declared surplus property and that the Village Clerk advertise for bids to sell the vehicle. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to grant the request of Jack's Bar & Grill to sponsor a benefit for Rachel Schultz on December 6, 2008 from 2 to 9pm. Weather permitting; they would like to use the lot on the west side of their building for the event. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request of Steger Farmer's Market manager Barb Dorman, for a Winter Crafter Show on December 13, 2008 from 8am to 3pm at Fire Station #1. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the purchase of a leaf collector vacuum from E & J Equipment in the amount of \$31,920.00 as requested by Superintendent of Public Works Bill Cox. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

On the advice of Village Attorney Frank Burkey, Trustee Peterson made a motion to table indefinitely the letter from T-Mobile Lease Administrator Val Wood regarding clarification of renewal terms relating to annual rent increases. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to draw down the Letter of Credit for the Scrementi Development if a replacement is not received by December 10, 2008. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to table discussion on parking on 34th Street. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Fajman made a motion to accept the highest bidder for the ESDA 1996 Ford Aerostar minivan. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to allow the Police Department to change cell phone service providers from Nextel/Sprint to Verizon Wireless as requested by Chief Richard Stultz. Trustee Peterson seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 973 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE AND FINANCING OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY BY THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO.955 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, SUPPORTING THE GRANTING OF A GAMING LICENSE TO OPERATE A GAMING FACILITY IN THE CITY OF CALUMET CITY. Trustee Kozy seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 956 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF STEGER, COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, SUPPORTING ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN PROCLAIMING DECEMBER 2008 AS NATIONAL DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to approve the request of Code Enforcement Officer Ed Myers to attend a Computer Training class at Computer Solutions. The cost is \$350.00. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Village Hall will be closed November 27, 28 and 29, 2008 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Mayor Sherman thanked the Cub Scouts in attendance for their generous donation of peanut butter and jelly for the annual Christmas baskets.

Village Engineer Joe Schudt commented on the need for greater participation from village residents in scheduling sewer infiltration re-inspections.

Trustee Peterson made a motion that the Board of Trustees retire to the audience and allow the “Students in Government” students from Columbia Central to take over the meeting to discuss their issue as government officials. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

After the Columbia Central students discussed and voted on their recycling issue, Trustee Peterson made a motion to bring the meeting of the Board of Trustees back to order. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

Trustee Peterson made a motion to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 957 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE FIRST ANNUAL YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF STEGER AND COLUMBIA MIDDLE SCHOOL. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:31PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk