

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 21st day of April, 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: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Also present were Village Administrator Conrad R. Kiebles, Police Chief Richard Stultz, Asst. Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, ESDA Coordinator Roger Mumford, Village Attorney Frank Burkey and Village Engineer Joseph Schudt.

MINUTES

Trustee Seehausen 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. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT

Motion was made by Trustee Honea and seconded by Trustee Fajman to have "Emergency Vehicle" signs installed near the new Fire Department Headquarters as directed by the Fire Chief. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to accept Nicole Guarino to the Steger Fire Department as a probationary firefighter pending all necessary paperwork, background check and physical examination. Motion was seconded by Trustee Peterson. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

TRUSTEE PETERSON'S REPORT

Trustee Peterson welcomed Boy Scout Troop #173 to the meeting. The boys are in attendance and working on their "Citizenship in the Community" badge.

Trustee Peterson also reported that in March 2008 the Building Department had 39 new permits issued for total revenue of \$43,256.00. Thirty Two repair permits were issued for total revenue of \$3,123.00. Two new construction permits were issued for a total revenue of 733.00, Four sign permits for a total of \$320.00 in total revenue and one demolition permit for \$80.00.

Economic Development Committee will be meeting on May 1st at the Village Hall Meeting Room.

TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT

Trustee Kaiser reported that May 3rd & 4th boxing matches will be held at the Community Center and all are welcome to attend.

Trustee Kaiser also reminded everyone that with warmer spring weather, children are out playing, so please be careful.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that ESDA sponsored a Search and Rescue course last weekend. Fourteen ESDA representatives from eight different communities graduated including Jordan Lane, Jake Moreland and Annie Annifer from Steger ESDA.

TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT

Trustee Seehausen reported that mosquito control has begun. The Department of Public Works will begin picking up branches Wednesday May 7th and continue to do so every other week throughout the summer.

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

In March the Police Department responded to 1848 calls, wrote 148 C-tickets, made 45 arrests and wrote 59 A-O tickets.

BILLS

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to suspend the reading of the bills and to pass the bills for payment with changes to H.Moenk & Son invoices #8693, #8712 and #8695 from Water to Corporate. Trustee Fajman seconded the motion. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustees President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request of Steger Kiwanis to hold a Club Leadership Education program in the Village Hall Meeting Room May 18, 2008 from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Motion was seconded by Trustee Peterson. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request from Columbia Central for use of thirty (30) picnic tables from June 3rd at 11:00 am through June 6th at 1:30pm. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kaiser. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The Village Clerk reported that after completion of the bidding process regarding the 1999 Ford Taurus, the highest bidder withdrew his bid as did the second highest bidder. The Clerk also stated that having talked with the Village Attorney it is suggested to re-bid the vehicle. Motion was made by Trustee Fajman and seconded by Trustee Honea to re-bid the 1999 Ford Taurus. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Fajman made a motion to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the Villages of Crete, Steger, South Chicago Heights, Glenwood, Thornton, South Holland, Dolton and the City of Chicago Heights to create the Southeast Commuter Rail Development Board. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kaiser. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustees President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion, seconded by Trustee Honea, to approve the request of the Village Clerk to advertise for bids for stone & gravel, asphalt, tree trimming, and concrete work. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustees President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion, seconded by Trustee Seehausen to approve the request of the Village Clerk to advertise for bids for Heating and Air Conditioning Maintenance Service for Village owned buildings. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustees President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to table the request of Muhammad Yaseen of Diamond Food Mart at 3400 Union Avenue for a liquor license until the Zoning Board has had a meeting to discuss re-zoning the property. Mr. Yaseen will be contacted and instructed to make the re-zoning application. The motion to table was seconded by Trustee Seehausen. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the temporary business license application from T.A.P. Enterprises, Inc. to hold a one day sale on May 28, 2008 at the Steger V.F.W. and to park a semi truck in the V.F.W. parking lot on West 33rd Place and not on the street for the day. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson and Honea. Trustees President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

EXECUTIVE SESSION At 7:13pm Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss personnel. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Voice Vote was requested and all aye votes recorded.

At 7:56pm Trustee Seehausen made a motion to call the meeting back to order from Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Voice Vote was requested and all aye votes recorded.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to adopt the work policy as amended. Motion was seconded by Trustee Honea. Roll was called and the following ayes were recorded: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser, Peterson, Honea and Sherman. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

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 7:57PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk