

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 7th day of July 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 and Honea. Trustee Peterson was absent. Also present were Police Chief Richard Stultz, Fire Chief Albert Martinez, Asst. Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Village Engineer Joseph Schudt, and Village Administrator, Conrad R. Kiebles.

**MINUTES**

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

**TRUSTEE HONEA'S REPORT**

In June 2008, the Fire Department had 53 ambulance calls and 21 fire calls, as reported by Trustee Honea. Sixty nine hours of firefighter training, forty eight hours of academy training, four hours of Special Training and twenty one hours of EMS training were also completed by Fire Department personnel during the month.

Trustee Honea made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter payroll for the Fire Department. Motion was seconded by Trustee Seehausen. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

The Steger Fire Department also participated in the annual Steger Summer Faire by selling brats. Proceeds from the sale benefited the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

**TRUSTEE KAISER'S REPORT**

Trustee Kaiser reported on the girl's softball tournament results and that the All Star Tournament started July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT**

Trustee Kozy reported that ESDA helped the Village of Richton Park during the recent tornado. They participated in the St. Jude Motorcycle Run, Columbia Central graduation, Steger Fun Fair, Matteson Festival, Drivin' the Dixie, a house fire in Sauk Village, accidents and trainings.

### **TRUSTEE SEEHAUSEN'S REPORT**

The Building Department issued 57 new permits (total revenue of \$6,722.40), 53 repair permits (\$5,270.00) and 4 new construction permits (\$1,452.40) during the month of June.

In June, the Water Department's bacterial samples were tested by the IEPA and results were satisfactory. Two main breaks were repaired and one fire hydrant replaced during the month of June 2008, per Trustee Seehausen.

### **TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT**

Trustee Fajman reported that the Police Department had 65 juvenile calls during the month of June.

### **BILLS**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to dispense with the reading of the bills and to approve 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.

### **COLLECTORS REPORT**

The Village Clerk read the gross payroll for June 2008, which was \$ 211,235.25

The Village Clerk read the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District charges month of June 2008, which was \$18,165.99.

The Village Clerk read the following Collector's Report for May 2008

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|-----------------------|-------------|------------|
| MUNICIPAL SALES TAX   | \$45,893.98 | April 2008 |
| TELECOMMUNICATION TAX | \$31,842.83 | April 2008 |
| STATE INCOME TAX      | \$78,793.91 | May 2008   |
| LOCAL USE TAX         | \$12,323.96 | May 2008   |
| MOTOR FUEL TAX        | \$25,224.54 | May 2008   |
| UTILITY REVENUE       | \$15,193.63 | May 2008   |
| UTILITY REVENUE       | \$19,826.91 | May 2008   |
| WILL COUNTY FINES     | \$ 262.00   | May 2008   |
| COOK COUNTY FINES     | \$ 1,722.90 | March 2008 |

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to accept the Collectors Report, seconded by Trustee Fajman. Voice Vote; all aye. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Jolynda Reyes, Village Accountant, to attend two LOCIS training seminars on August 20 and September 18, 2008 at a cost of \$125.00 per seminar. Motion was seconded by Trustee Honea. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)**

A thank you note from Elaine Egdorf from the Village of Homewood Heritage Committee for the Village's participation in the annual "Drivin' the Dixie" event.

A letter from the Village of Richton Park and Richton Park Police Department thanking Steger ESDA for their assistance during the recent tornado.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 948 Authorizing the Settlement with the Illinois Department of Labor**. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fajman. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the Recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a variance allowing Daniel and Jennifer Ziolkowski to install a privacy fence along the side and past the front of their home at 22562 Sherman Road. 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 Fajman made a motion to reject the recommendation of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a full liquor license for Muhammad Yaseen of Diamond Food Mart at 3400 Union Avenue. 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 Fajman made a motion to allow a liquor license for beer and wine only to Muhammad Yaseen of Diamond Food Mart at 3400 Union Avenue. Motion was seconded by Trustee Kaiser. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

After discussion between the Board of Trustees and Michelle Helsel of School District #194, Trustee Fajman made a motion to allow School District #194 to use water from village hydrants and borrow specific village equipment for watering of sod at the Columbia School sports fields. The water will be metered. Any tools lost or stolen will be the responsibility of the School District. After thirty days of watering the sod the School District will meet with the Village to discuss payment of the water used. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kozy. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the request of Kiwanis Club of Steger to hold their annual "Peanut Day" on Friday, September 26, 2008 at major intersections

throughout the Village. Motion was seconded by Trustee Honea. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Fajman and seconded by Trustee Honea to approve the request of Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles to purchase and install three trees at Veteran's Park. Roll was called and the following Trustees voted aye: Fajman, Seehausen, Kozy, Kaiser and Honea. President Sherman voted aye. Motion carried.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A Public Hearing will be held July 21, 2008 at 6:45pm at the Village Hall to discuss the 2008-09 Appropriation Ordinance.

The Municipal Summer Band will hold it's annual concert Friday July 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am at the Gazebo on Halsted Boulevard and 34<sup>th</sup> Street. The concert is free to all.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

### **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:20 PM**

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Louis Sherman, Village President

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Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk