

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 15th day of May 2006 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, Superintendent Bill Cox, Assistant Fire Chief Jeff Roesner, Village Administrator Conrad Kiebles, Resident Observer Roger Mumford, Village Accountant Elizabeth Kubal, 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 Honea 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 would be having their Spaghetti Dinner this coming Sunday at the V.F.W. from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM.

TRUSTEE KOZY'S REPORT

Trustee Kozy reported that the girls' softball program has approximately 110 participants this year.

Trustee Kozy briefly explained that the work policy for call-outs needs to be changed in order to accommodate Community Center employees who are on call for weekend parties. After a brief discussion, Trustee Kozy made a motion to make a change in the work policy to add that Community Center employees that are on call for weekend parties are paid for three (3) hours of straight time. Trustee Kozy added that the motion should include retroactive pay for the past two (2) months. 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.

TRUSTEE FAJMAN'S REPORT

Trustee Fajman announced that the Police Department had range qualifications on May 6th.

Trustee Fajman reported that he attended a conference in Galena, Illinois over the weekend along with Police Chief Stultz and Village Attorney Burkey. Trustee Fajman further reported that they received updates on Police Officer's Bill of Rights, Police and Fire Commissions, and lawsuits. Trustee Fajman advised the conference was very informative.

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.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Village Clerk read a letter from Vida Talandis Bon Appetit at 3238 Lewis Avenue advising they will be hosting a private party with live entertainment on Saturday, May 27, 2006 from 7:00 PM until Midnight. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve. Trustee Honea seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a letter from the Cubmaster for Pack 173 asking permission to have their annual picnic and overnighter camp out in Veteran's Park on Saturday, June 17, 2006. Trustee Kozy 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 Village Clerk read a letter from the residents of Ashland Avenue requesting permission to host a block party on Saturday, June 24, 2006 from 2:00 PM until 11:00 PM. Trustee Seehausen 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 Village Clerk read a letter from Tim Perchinski requesting permission to use the Village Meeting Room on Saturday, June 3, 2006 from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM to host a New Home Buyers Seminar sponsored by South Suburban Housing Center. Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve the request. Trustee Kaiser seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk requested permission to advertise for bids for the surplus Dodge van. Trustee Honea made a motion to advertise for bids. 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.

OLD BUSINESS

The Village Clerk read a letter from Village Engineer Joseph A. Schudt recommending that occupancy for 3141 Carpenter Street be withheld until the retaining wall shown on the approved plans for A. Patrick Builders is installed. Trustee Honea made a motion to table. 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.

NEW BUSINESS

The Village Clerk read the business license application for Law Office of Sherry L. Howard at 30 East 34th Street. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the license pending inspections. 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 Village Clerk read a memo from Village Accountant, Elizabeth Kubal, requesting permission to attend the Illinois Municipal Treasurers Association Annual Treasurers Conference June 25 through June 27, 2006. Trustee Honea 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.

The Village Clerk read a request from the Clerk's Office to advertise for bids for tree trimming, stone & gravel, asphalt, and concrete. Trustee Honea made a motion to advertise for bids. Trustee Seehausen seconded the motion. Voice vote was requested and all aye votes were recorded. Motion carried.

The Village Clerk read a memo from South Suburban Mayors and Managers asking the Village to proclaim the week of May 21st through May 27th, 2006 as "Public Works Week". Trustee Fajman made a motion to approve 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.

The Village Clerk read letters from Cook County Clerk David Orr requesting permission to use the Village Hall and Fire Stations #1, #2 and #3 as polling places for the General Election on Tuesday, November 7, 2006. Trustee Seehausen made a motion to approve the requests. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Village Clerk announced that the Village's website is up and running. Village Clerk Recupito advised that there have been 1,500 hits on the website already and he encourages everyone to visit the website at villageofsteger.com.

The Village Clerk announced that there would be a Zoning Board Hearing on Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the Village Meeting Room to discuss a request from Henry Pickett Jr. for a zoning variance on the side yard setback from 15 feet to 5 feet on the property commonly known as 22550 Miller Road.

The Village Clerk announced that there would be a Zoning Board Hearing on Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at 6:15 PM in the Village Meeting Room to discuss a request from Tom Fletcher D/B/A Shooter's Place for a zoning variance from B-1 to B-1-A6 in order to upgrade his liquor license to include distilled alcoholic liquor and entertainment on the property commonly known as 14 East 33rd Place.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Noella Garcia asked if there was going to be a Memorial Day Service.

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 7:10 PM

Louis Sherman, Village President

Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk