

June 16, 2015

**State of Illinois
County of Cook
Village of Stickney**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, June 2, 2015.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Nays: None
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos that the bills, approved by the various committees of the Board, be approved for payment, and to approve warrants which authorize the Village Treasurer to draw checks to pay the bills, to be signed by the authorized signers, as provided for by the Ordinances of the Village of Stickney.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Nays: None
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of March, 2015 indicating the sum of \$39,743.58.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Nays: None
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation for the month of May, 2015 in the amount of \$14,819.01.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Nays: None
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2015-06, "An Ordinance Establishing the Prevailing Wage Rates for the Construction of Public Works Projects for the Village of Stickney.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2015-07, "An Ordinance Authorizing Northern Illinois Gas Company to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Gas Distributing System in and through the Village of Stickney.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to approve Resolution 14-2015, "A Resolution Approving the Submission of the Justice Assistance Grant Application to the Cook County Board President and the Cook County Board of Commissioners."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to approve Resolution 15-2015, "A Resolution Appointing a Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to grant permission to the Stickney Fire Department to conduct their Muscular Dystrophy Association Solicitation "Fill the Boot" on June 19-22, 2015.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: A letter was read from Cook County Commissioner, Jeffery R. Tobolski, Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security and Emergency

Management. He was congratulating the Stickney Police Department on the \$13,100 JAG Program Grant they received from Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The Mayor read a letter from Wayne E. Partun, of the Combined Veterans of Berwyn where he was thanking the Mayor for her kind words spoken at the Mount Auburn Memorial Day Ceremony. The Mayor reminded the audience that the Music in the Park has started. The contributions currently stand at \$4,700.00. This has paid for the Music in the Park. We had a nice time last week.

TRUSTEES REPORTS: Trustee De Leshe gave the fire report for May, 2015 as follows: Ambulance calls; 50: Mutual Aid Calls; 7: Service Calls; 6: Fire Calls; 6: Hazardous Condition Calls; 1: Motor Vehicle Accidents; 9: Working Fires; 1: Brush/Trash Fire Calls; 0: Car Fires; 0: Total calls for the month of May: 80; Total calls for 2015: 446.

Trustee De Leshe also announced there is going to be a Community Clean-Up Day on June 27, 2015, 9:00 a.m. to noon at 41st and Ridgeland. We will have electronic and shredding services available. The shredding truck will be on site to shred your paperwork before your eyes. They are requesting that you have a Stickney ID. This precaution is necessary so we don't have people from outside using us for their dumping. This service is a benefit for our Stickney residents.

Trustee Hrejsa informed us that the new park by the library is up and running. Kids are having a blast. The park is loaded with kids and their parents. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee had their first meeting to discuss some upcoming events they are considering. These meetings are open to the public and they are posted on the bulletin board 48 hours prior to the meeting. She also mentioned the Music in the Park sponsor's sign located near the pavilion for Music in the Park. She herself is a sponsor and is quite unhappy with the sign at the pavilion. It is four x four and contains the names of 18 sponsors on it. You have to stand up close to see it. It is all in black. All the names are bunched together. There is a sign on Oak Park Avenue that is four x twelve. It says Mayor Deborah Morelli and Music in the Park. If we could have spent the \$100 for the sign on Oak Park instead of \$60 for the sign on Ridgeland, maybe we could have had a bigger sign with all sponsors because they donated \$4700. She said that she knew that was for a lot of the bands, but we have to recognize our sponsors. We have to recognize our volunteers. So if we could have had a bigger sign by the pavilion with sponsors on one side and on the other side the bands and the dates they are playing and maybe the cruise nights. The Mayor interjected that the sign on Oak Park does have the cruise nights. Trustee Hrejsa clarified that the sign at the pavilion does not have the cruise nights listed and all the people are asking about that. You can't read it on Oak Park Avenue. Or, they didn't know that it was there. If we had a big sign when people are at Music in the Park then people would know what is happening next week. Mayor Morelli told the trustee that she brings the calendars with for the schedule. Trustee Hrejsa asked who was in charge of ordering the signs. The Mayor said that she was. She said that these are the same ones that were done for the last couple of years. Trustee Hrejsa said that it is sad. The Mayor told her that it is sad that everything that is done is sad to you. And, she is sad that you feel bad about that.

In addition, Trustee Hrejsa provided possible ideas she has learned about from other communities pertaining to their dog parks to keep them up and running. They have

bought bricks inscribed with their beloved pet's names. The donation goes towards the park. A lot of people love their pets and they would want to do this. It works well in other communities.

Trustee Lazansky gave the police report for the month of May, 2015. The total number of calls for service; 1,916: Total number of E911 calls received; 560: Arrest by type: Traffic: 115; Village Ordinance Offences: 24; Warrants and Complaints: 4; Parking violations: 239; Total number of arrests/citations issued: 382; Total number of squad miles: 11,827; Total amount of gasoline used: 1,989.4; Average gas mileage/squad: (the chief said it was about 9 mpg).

Ordinance Activity Report for the month of May, 2015. Ordinance Investigations: 362, Business License Investigations: 6, Violation Notices Issued: 25, Miscellaneous Details: 170, S.L.O. Tickets: 7, Parking Citations Issued: 108.

Trustee Milenkovic reported on the Prevailing Wage Act that we passed this evening. He gave pertinent rules that must be followed concerning publicizing and posting of this information. He also questioned the treasurer concerning the publishing of the budget appropriations. It will be published in the *LIFE* newspaper on July 19, 2015. He would like to bring back "Operation Troops" that was previously handled by Trustee Walik. He will be conferring with Police Chief John Sladetz to help coordinate the collection. A list of needed items was given.

Trustee Savopoulos announced the parking restrictions on 41st and Ridgeland due to the Cruise Night.

Trustee White explained that we had the first of the budget meetings on Monday. This will give us plenty of time to get everything ready for the publication on the 15th of July. Trustee White asked the treasurer, Kurt Kasnicka to explain the changes that were made to the Oak Park playground grant. Kasnicka explained that we tried to scale down with a change order in excess of \$10,000; we were required to go back to the state to get it approved by our grant administrator. That was never done. When they looked at our budget for what our construction amount was, they reduced our construction amount, even though it amounted to a saving. Then the other factor was what we actually spent. We did go over what was budgeted. We were supposed to get \$123,700.00 and now it will be reduced by \$3,500.00. Everything is at the state and approved. Now it goes back to Governor Rauner putting a halt on public projects back in March. We should be getting our money but it will take a little time. We have already expended the project funds. Projects that were approved more recently, those are the projects more in jeopardy.

Trustee White then addressed the \$200,000 grant. Kurt Kasnicka explained that this amount included the police department stairs. We received 25% of the money which is \$50,000. We have that in the bank. Trustee White said that we already spent part of that money. Kasnicka summarized that we repaired the roofs at the two pavilions and the courtesy-cement walks on Ridgeland. We spent part of that \$50,000. Our next quarterly expenditure report is due on June 30. We must show how we spent the money. Hopefully they will forward us the next payment.

Trustee White expressed that we are worried about this park grant. Everything from the governor is on hold. We are out that \$127,000.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief John Sladetz briefed us on the newest police car to our department. It is a Ford Explorer Interceptor. It is referred to as a "Ghost Car". It is black. The graphics act as a photo negative barely visible in the ambient light during the daylight. It makes it look like an unmarked car. It just pops when headlights hit it. You can see Stickney Police, the American flag and the squad number. Our second new squad is coming out of the shop later this week. It is a black/white with regular graphics. It is nice to have two new cars out there. He then gave a description of the repair issues on the other vehicles. He included his thank you to Faith Community Church for recognizing the police and fire departments during the service they held last Sunday. They pray for the police and fire department. They wear wrist bands with the names of department members on them. They pray for them every Sunday. The service included a picnic lunch afterward.

Fire Chief Larry Meyer gave us an update on the most recent storm that moved through the day before. The water on the river is high and they are watching it. He notified us that ComEd does not provide the fire or police department with any information concerning power outages. You might be better off calling ComEd yourself. He felt that because of the Smart Meters ComEd should automatically know when your power is out. He noted that the phone system is acting up again at the fire station.

Treasurer Kurt Kasnicka reminded people about purchasing their vehicle stickers. The extended business hours were provided to accommodate the residents. The July 4th holiday will be recognized by having the village hall closed on July 3.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to accept the treasurer's report for April, 2015.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee White that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 7th of July, 2015

Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor