

June 19, 2012

**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 19, 2012 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 present Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk.
Absent: Trustee Schimel**

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Horne, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, June 5, 2012.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk
Absent: Schimel
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee White 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: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk
Absent: Schimel
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of March, 2012 indicating the sum of \$40,183.00.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk
Absent: Schimel
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation motor fuel tax for the month of May, 2012 indicating the sum of \$14,675.17.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Horne moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik, to pass and approve Ordinance 2012-11, "An Ordinance Amending Charitable Solicitations."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this is adding safety measures for solicitations on roads or streets.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to approve Resolution 05-2012, "A Resolution authorizing Stickney to go into an agreement with Master Meter.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this is our water meter company and water software provider for our water system. This is to update our software.

Trustee Horne moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik, to approve Resolution 06-2012, "A Resolution allowing Stickney to become a Real-Time Master Meter Test Site.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that the agreement is at no cost until it is proven and at that time we would have to split the cost of the tower.

Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli to grant permission to allow a block party on July 28, 2012 on 40th Place from Home to Wisconsin.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

CLERKS REPORT: It was noted that on May 9, the clerk wrote a letter to the AT&T's CEO and President to address numerous complaints received concerning static laced service or lost service for a length of days. Information was included of false 911 calls. They were informed that each 911 call requires a fire department pumper truck as well as an ambulance to be dispatched. Each piece of equipment costs the Village \$200 to send. Police are also dispatched. Our Village's Telecommunications Supervisor, Brent Tureson supported this with the fact that false 911 calls have been going on for years. We were asking AT&T to look into this situation. The letter reminded them our lead wires are archaic. Within days the clerk was notified by the secretary of the CEO/President that they received the letter and would investigate the complaint.

Last week Brent Tureson was contacted by an engineer for AT&T that they will be evaluating our 1929 era lead wiring. He will be their point man.

A letter was referred to from the Combined Veterans of Berwyn thanking the police department for their help in their May 27, 2012 parade. It was explained that they will be holding the 2013 Parade on the last Sunday of May.

A notice was read from the Vulcan Materials Company that they will be accepting clean construction or demolition debris at their McCook Quarry.

The clerk provided information on an alert received from the Illinois Department of Health concerning mosquitoes and West Nile Virus. Current activity is two months earlier than in past years. People are being asked to monitor their pools, bird baths and other sources for breeding.

Trustee Morelli gave a reminder on the Outdoor Craft and Flea Market through the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for Saturday, June 23, on 43rd and Ridgeland from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Food will be served. Questions should go to the Village Hall and will be forwarded to Trustee Morelli's voice mail. The fee is \$20 for an eight foot section.

Trustee White reported that the health-care center, Pershing Gardens, located at 39th and Oak Park is replacing all their current hospital beds with new. Trustee White informed us that if anyone is interested in obtaining one of the donated, original hospital beds they should contact the manager there to pick one up.

Trustee Zeedyk commented on a successful Little League year. The teams were competitive. There were good coaches from the Village. It was a pleasure to work with the kids. It is a pleasure the way the Village works with Little League the way it does.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Larry Meyer remarked on the hot, dry conditions. They are already seeing brush fires. He suggested that people pay attention to their properties especially dry any leaves around their homes. With July 4th around the corner, a bottle rocket or other fireworks could start a fire.

Police Chief Joe Kretch reminded people to take precautions now that the kids are out of school. Take special care when the kids are riding around on their bikes. He relayed an actual example of seeing a young man riding his bike with no hands while he was texting. If you are passing anyone on a bike, be aware of what they are doing. If the kid hits a pothole he could flip in front of you.

A special reminder was given that our recruits will be graduating on June 22. They will be on the streets starting June 25. They both will be on the 3:00 to 11:00 shift for a month and then they will transfer to another shift. He asked that people look for them.

Treasurer Kasnicka informed us that the proposed budget for the village is ready to go. The notice will appear in the *Life Newspaper* tomorrow. The budget will be available for inspection. The next meeting on July 3, will have a public hearing on the budget at 6:30 p.m. We will go over the proposed budget and ask for public comments. The regular meeting will be at 7:00 where the board will consider passing the proposed budget.

At this point, Attorney Stanley T. Kusper Jr. addressed the board and the audience. He began by saying, "At the last meeting, Penny Gibas asked me, pointedly, when was I going to publish my code of ethics." "It was as though I was obligated to do that because I was appointed as the ethics officer." He went on to say, "The fact of the matter is, that under the law, I am not required to post a code of ethics." "Under the law an ordinance was passed in the year 2004". "I have a copy for you." Penny could be heard saying, "Ok". Mr. Kusper continued to say, "It is our ethics ordinance and it specifies all of the things which are provided for in the statue statute." "The ordinance passed by the village can be no less restrictive than the state statute, so therefore, it repeats the state statute in the ordinance for the village." "It can be more restrictive and I am taking a look at a couple of things that I might suggest to the board." "For the time being there is no obligation, and I suggest it is always difficult when someone stands up and calls you out." "Why are you not doing this?" or "When are you going to do this?" "And there is no obligation on the person to do it." "It makes it look like we are not doing our jobs." "So, the fact of the matter is that we are." "And, as I promised you, I have copies of the statutes for you and ordinance." Penny Gibas can be heard saying, "Thank you."

There being no further business, Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 5th day of July , 2012

Daniel A. O'Reilly, Village President