

June 21, 2016

**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 21, 2016 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 Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White**

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, June 7, 2016.

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

Just after Trustee Lazansky moved, and duly seconded by Trustee Fuentes to pay the bills, Trustee White said, "Before we take a roll call, I would like to make note that we are holding out on the bills for John Xydakis and for Mike's (Del Galdo) office as well, for the prosecutor." "We are not going to pay the bills until we are sure who is supposed to be getting the money." Trustee Fuentes asked, "Who is performing the services?" Trustee White told her, "They both do." "They both have." "One is doing it for free and the other one. . . . " "We just don't know how it is going to shake out." Trustee Savopoulos said, "They both show up." Trustee White told us, "They both show up." Again, Trustee Fuentes asked, "Who is actually performing the service?" Trustee White said, "We are just going to hold up the payment until we are positive who is supposed to get it." "We don't want to pay someone who isn't supposed to get it." "So we don't pay someone who shouldn't get it." Trustee Lazansky added in, "Like she asked, who was the one that was there that did the actual work?" "Was it someone from the Xydakis' Law Group or was it someone from Mike Del Galdo's?" Trustee White responded, "The problem is, if John Xydakis is doing the work and not authorized that is a big problem." Trustee Lazansky said, "We are not really understand, that is the mayor's appointment." Trustee White told us, "I don't really want to get into this." "We have guests here." "I don't want to get into this all over again." "I would like to hold those two bills out and not pay them until we are sure who should get the money."

Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo explained, "There is a motion and a second to approve all the bills." "That was the discussion." "You have to vote on the approval of all the bills." "Presumably if you are against approving all the bills, you would vote no on that motion." "Then there would be a second motion to approve all the bills except for the two bills submitted for prosecution." Prior to the vote, Trustee Fuentes asked, "How do you plan to resolve the issue so we could determine who is to be paid?" Trustee White told us, "I heard that there is a law suit pending from John

Xydakis' office." "I am not sure how it is exactly going to be settled." "That is the rumor that I have heard." "It would be settled eventually."

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Fuentes 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 to approve all the bills:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes and Lazansky

Nays: Trustee Hrejsa, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Trustee White moved, duly second by Trustee Savopoulos to authorize the payment of the bills and holding out the two bills that we just discussed.

Upon the roll, the following Trustees voted to approve all the bills minus the two bills for the prosecutors.

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: Trustee Fuentes and Lazansky

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Fuentes to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of March, 2016 indicating the sum of \$36,495.76.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Fuentes moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation for the month of May, 2016 in the amount of \$15,337.86.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

The mayor introduced Diane Mullins from the Office of Cook County Clerk David Orr. She spoke about election judge recruitment. She asked for the Village of Stickney to post information concerning the recruitment. The process would be completed online. She explained that it is better to be trained earlier in order to have an opportunity to be located closer to your home. The Clerk, Audrey McAdams, will be the contact person for David Orr's election judge recruitment. The Clerk informed the speaker that Deputy Police Chief Rich Jaczak offered to use our CODE RED call system to distribute their notification. We were informed that the salary of the equipment manager pays \$325.00 and the election judge position pays \$175.00.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Fuentes to approve Resolution 09-2016, "A Resolution authorizing and approving a certain consolidation waiver request for the Emergency Telephone System Board of the Village of Stickney.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to grant permission to the Stickney Wolf Pack Football League to conduct their August 7, 2016 parade in the Village and also their Hero's Day Celebration.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Trustee White said, "Provided we have all their information from their insurance. Currently we do not have all the paperwork from them. The Clerk explained that the team's insurance runs until August 1, 2016. They also need to send in their hold harmless. Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo clarified, "The approval is contingent on the receipt on that." "If it has not been received the clerk will notified the elected officials then the permit is not granted."

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve a block party for July 30, 2016 on 40th Place between Home and Wisconsin.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and possible vote regarding the extension of Sokol Stickney's use of the Stickney Recreation Center through August 31, 2016.

Trustee Milenkovic told us, "I asked that this be placed on the agenda." "I have been speaking with Rich Vachata, the President of the Sokol." "He has asked for an extension until August 31, 2016 to remove some of their possessions, clean up and tidy up." "He is also interested in renting it for another year at \$400.00." "That would be for three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for five hours in the evening." "We need to grant him the extension till August 31, or releasing them from the original agreement and give them another year at \$400.00 per month."

Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo said, "Depending on the desire of the board, either one of them would require some document." "If it is the desire of the board to pursue a one-year lease agreement, then you couldn't approve the one-year lease agreement tonight." "You could simply direct me to write up an amendment or a new document for ultimately the board to approve at a later date." "If you want to approve an

extension through August 31, my advice is that you write something up that any vote to approve that would be contingent upon that Sokol sign that they would actually leave on August 31." "If you recall, they have always refused to sign anything that we have given them." "They are in default of their agreement." "My advice is that you need something in writing regardless of the decision the board makes."

Trustee Milenkovic announced, "I am in favor of having them stay for another year at \$400.00 per month." "I don't know what the rest of the board's thoughts are." Trustee Savopoulos told us, "I don't have a problem with them staying and paying the rent." Trustee White remarked, "I don't have a problem with them staying, but I don't think \$400.00 is enough." Trustee Hrejsa agreed with Trustee White. Trustee Lazansky said, "That would not even cover the lawyer's expense." Trustee Fuentes added in, "And the utilities." Trustee White mentioned, "I would be agreeable if they paid twice that amount for their three days a week." "Anything less than that is wasting the taxpayer's money." "That is my opinion." "That is the way I feel about it." "I don't mind giving them that extension provided we have that document." "Or having them ask for an extension, and an extension." "So they understand that the extension is good for August 31, and then they have to vacate." "We don't have to close the door on them coming there." "I don't think \$400.00 rent a month is enough." "It costs us more than that to operate that building and right now they are the only inhabitants." Trustee Hrejsa told us, "I would give them until August 31, to clean up." "The story always changes." Trustee White admitted, "They never come through with anything they say." Trustee Hrejsa said, "Four hundred dollars would never touch their electric bill." "They leave lights on and they leave heat on." "I think we are throwing money away." Trustee Milenkovic said, "I guess this evening we could direct Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo to draw up an extension, if everyone is in agreement."

Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo explained, "It would actually be a simple document of the extension to quit and surrender the premises." "They would acknowledge that they have no lease, they have no right to stay, they will be granted to August 31, to move out." "They will agree that they will quit and surrender and vacate the premises on August 31." "If the board wants, between now and August 31, to propose a new lease for them that would supersede this document, that is what the vote should be." "If you are going to extend to August 31, it should be a vote to extend conditioned upon their execution of a quit and surrender document upon a certain date." "I imagine that June 30, is when they have to leave."

Trustee Milenkovic questioned, "What about Trustee White's suggestion of \$800.00 per month?" "Is anyone interested in that?" Trustee Fuentes said, "I haven't thought about how much it should be." "It shouldn't be \$400.00." "But, I would like to do more research." "How much we are spending to cover the costs?" Trustee Hrejsa added in, "They refused to clean up what they need to clean up in the basement." Trustee White said, "I think \$400.00 is just about what we pay the person who cleans the building." "I could be off a little bit." "We pay close to \$400.00 per month just to clean the place after them." "That has nothing to do with utilities or anything else." "That is just cleaning up after them because they don't clean anything there." Trustee Milenkovic stated, "If anyone has thoughts of a different figure, just let me or Rich Vachata know." Trustee Savopoulos stated, "If we had someone to pay \$1000.00 per month to use it twice a week, would that sway anybody." "That would be \$1,400.00"

Trustee White considered, "If they paid their \$800.00, even if we get someone to pay a \$1,000.00, somebody else wants to pay \$1,500.00, I think we are doing them a big favor by allowing them to stay for \$800.00 to have that facility for three days per week and not pay any utilities." "That is my opinion."

Trustee Milenkovic asked Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo to draw this up. Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo responded, "Is there a deadline that you would like to impose?" "If they don't vacate by June 30, you have the right to file an eviction." "If you don't, there are waiver arguments that they could make that you failed to enforce their rights." "You should probably require them to sign it by June 30, because that is the date that they have to get out of there." "If they sign it by June 30, and it is extended to August 31." "It is a simple document it will say that they have no legal rights to be there." "That they will surrender the premises and vacate and not damage the property." Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo explained, "The motion is to direct and authorize the extension to August 31, conditioned on the execution by Sokol of a quit and surrender the premises agreement by June 30, 2016." "Signed by June 30, extending it to August 31."

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to direct and authorize the extension to August 31, conditioned on the execution by Sokol of a quit and surrender the premises agreement by June 30, 2016." "Signed by June 30, extending it to August 31."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Fuentes, Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: No report

CLERK'S REPORT: The clerk explained that she received a notice from the IEPA about an application for At Your Door Collection Facility. FPB Chief Tommy Heller researched this and learned that this company will be affiliated with Waste Management. Their intent is to have towns and villages who now have their service have the ability to call and schedule pick up of household waste such as small amounts of paint, used motor oil etc. to be picked up and disposed of properly. Further information will be provided as it is obtained.

In addition, the clerk clarified at last's months meeting where Trustee Fuentes moved to amend the minutes from the May 17, 2016 meeting to reflect the public comments which were omitted by the clerk, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky. Mayor pro tempore White said, "Public comments are never included in the minutes" "Public comments, to my knowledge" Trustee Fuentes responded, "I am sure you will find if you look back on the last several meetings there are plenty of public comments." Clerk McAdams replied, "Under the circumstances, I was asked by our attorney to include specific information pertaining to Dan Fuentes in his public comments and because it was very intricate into the original comments made by our attorney, I included that, and it was also stated before I put those in there." She went on, "Is

there anything else?" Trustee Fuentes said, "I know Patrick had an issue with ComEd those were in there." "Those were 20-minute conversation." "That was public comment." The Clerk continued, "I don't normally, if there were two times in the last six-seven years that is it." "That is nothing." Trustee Fuentes then repeated, "Two times in the last six years you put in public comment." "I will check that out." The clerk said, "Pretty much, OK." *[The clerk found that at the March 1, 2016 meeting resident Patrick Sleighter signed in for PUBLIC COMMENT. He did have a lengthy conversation with Trustee White pertaining to the electric aggregation that was allowed to continue for some time. The clerk DID NOT include this in the official minutes of the meeting. BUT the entire audio of that meeting was requested by Attorney John Xydakis through the Freedom of Information Act. The only way the PUBLIC COMMENTS of that meeting would be known, is to personally be at that meeting, or have the audio CD of the meeting.]*

TRUSTEES' REPORTS: Trustee Fuentes announced that she has read 15 months of minutes. She then thanked the Clerk for her report. The Trustee reminded everyone about the Craft and Flea Market that will be held this Saturday at the Stickney Rec Center from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Trustee Hrejsa mentioned that she received a flyer from the Metropolitan Water Recreation District that they will be discontinuing their rain barrel program December 31. People can still obtain a rain barrel prior to that date. Every Wednesday from 9:00 to noon the MWRD will pass out tree saplings.

Trustee Lazansky gave the Police Department Total Monthly Activity Report for the month of May, 2016: Total number of calls for service; 1,598; Total number of E911 calls received; 446; Arrest by type: Traffic: 83; Village Ordinance Offences: 30; Warrants and Complaints: 14; Parking violations: 262; Total number of arrests/citations issued: 389; Total number of squad miles: 10,700; Total amount of gasoline used: 1,167.3; Average gas mileage/squad: 9.166.

Ordinance Activity Report for the month of May, 2016. Ordinance Investigations: 368; Business License Investigations: 6; Violation Notices Issued: 32; Miscellaneous Details: 181; S.L.O. Tickets: 4; Parking Citations Issued: 90; Tow Tag: 0;

Trustee Milenkovic mentioned, "Today I received our water report in the mail." "He congratulated Public Works Supervisor Jeff Boyajian (including Bob Wyant the Water Operator) for not having any violations for the 2015 reporting year." The Trustee also reminded us about music in the park. Trustee Hrejsa asked, "Who will be calling off the event if we have a tornado warning." We were told that Trustee Fuentes would take care of that.

Trustee Savopoulos told us, "Someone has filed an application for a car wash on 44th and Harlem." "According to our ordinance, car washes are now classified as special use." "They will have to go before the zoning board." "Letters have to go out to people within 250 feet of the proposed car wash." We were told, "As soon as he has the date of the hearing, he will let us know."

Trustee White reported, "I am getting unsolicited phone calls from various companies and charities." He warned, "These people are looking for a reason to

get into your house and take your donations.” “Even if you are on the No Call List they still got my number.”

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief John Sladetz informed us, “We passed the Resolution regarding the waiver that we will submit to the Statewide 911 Advisory Board. It should take us about two weeks to do it. If we have to consolidate our 911 no one is going to like it, especially me.” “Service is going to drop tremendously.” “We will buy ourselves as much time as possible.” “We will look into different avenues to go that are the most cost effective and efficient for the public safety.” The chief mentioned, “Our new cars are in.” “They are currently at the outfitters.”

Public Safety Supervisor Jeff Boyajian spoke of the weather warnings. “I never really heard so much hype and warnings for a summer storm.” He suggested that people listen to the radio and TV.” He wished people a happy and safe 4th of July.

Fire Chief Larry Meyer reported, “On Monday we had the State Fire Marshall visit us. They arrived with a trailer full of Hurst tool equipment and generators. We were the distribution point for seven departments.” “ We got a Hurst-tool set that is used but it is replacing a 1982 version that is falling apart.” “Today we had an accident on Harlem that was caused by a guy on heroin.” “Four cars were involved and four people were taken to the hospital.” “At the same time, a guy driving on I-55 and Harlem was overdosing.” Finally, the Chief suggested, “Have a plan in place for emergency situations with the weather.”

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 6th day of July, 2016

Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor