

April 5, 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, April 5, 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 Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Absent: Trustee Fuentes**

Village Attorney Michael Del Galdo explained that after the agenda was posted, they received a request form IRMA (Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency) to add a matter for discussion in closed session. He asked the board for a motion to add another item to the list for discussion in closed session, the matter of Sandra Alicea v. the Village of Stickney.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to add another item to the list for discussion in closed session, the matter of Sandra Alicea v. the Village of Stickney.

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

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, March 16, 2016.

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

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa 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 Hrejsa, Lazansky, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White
Absent: Trustee Fuentes
Nays: None
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to approve Resolution 06-2016, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Agreement with Commonwealth Edison for the Village of Stickney.

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

Absent: Trustee Fuentes

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

The Mayor announced a board discussion concerning lease agreements with MWRD, SprintCom and Verizon.

Trustee White referred to a handout that was provided and he felt that Plan B is the best way to go. Trustee Savopoulos felt the same way. Trustee Lazansky concurred. The mayor interjected Trustee Fuentes opinion that she also agrees with Plan B. Trustee Milenkovic also agreed with Plan B. Trustee Hrejsa acknowledged that she was in agreement.

Village Attorney Michael Del Galdo explained that no vote was needed. All they were looking for was direction from the board. One thing he did ask was general input from the board is that there will be an annual MWRD license fee for the Verizon aspect of this. He would like to ask Verizon to cover 50% of the MWRD license fee, which is not included in this offer. They will report back to the board. That would be his goal to have Verizon cover 50%. They would have discussed this with Verizon's real estate rep. and their lawyer but they couldn't act upon it until our attorney could give our representation that the village found it well received. If there is no objection I will convey that if accepted, we will bring to the board offer Plan B plus 50% of MWRD's license fee.

Mayor's Report: She reported that on March 19, 2016 we had the Easter Egg Hunt. It started at Haley Park and progressed to Faith Community Church. After that they went to Mount Auburn Cemetery for another Easter Egg Hunt. They proceeded to the library for arts and crafts. The mayor then thanked a variety of people.

In addition, the mayor talked to a new business person in town, Mr. Palivka who is going to be working on 6645 Pershing. Our old VFW will be transformed into a laundromat called Blue Kangaroo. The land next door will be a new parking lot. We are happy to have a new business come into town.

Clerk's Report: none

TRUSTEES' REPORTS: Trustee Hrejsa referred to a MWRD project that will be starting immediately. They reported that the work will start on Roosevelt Road and proceed down First Avenue to 31st Street. They will work their way through Riverside. The project will take a year and a half. It may affect Harlem. The construction hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. They will be working around Brookfield zoo.

In addition, Trustee Hrejsa addressed an article that was printed in the *Sun-Times Newspaper*. The article addressed two water companies (Pennsylvania-based Aqua America and New Jersey-based American Water) who are looking to expand their municipal water businesses. Trustee Hrejsa mentioned the contributions of \$400,000.00 that these companies made to leaders of our General Assembly. These companies are looking for municipalities to turn to private water companies to run their municipal water systems... especially when dealing with aged water systems. She named several municipalities or wastewater systems in Illinois that were sold or in the process of being sold to Aqua America or American Water subsidiaries. Unfortunately some consumers found that their water rates were raised as much as 70%. Chicago has no plans for privatization.

Trustee Hrejsa included information on Earth Day on April 22. The Tree Committee has arranged April 30, 2016 as Earth Day Cleanup. It will start at 9:00 a.m. at Haley Park. Flyers will be delivered to the households. There is a Parks & Recreation meeting on April 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room.

Trustee Lazansky gave the police report for the month of March, 2016. The total number of calls for service; 1,502: Total number of E911 calls received; 430: Arrest by type: Traffic: 107; Village Ordinance Offences: 36; Warrants and Complaints: 8; Parking violations: 174; Total number of arrests/citations issued: 325; Total number of squad miles: 11,448; Total amount of gasoline used: 1,354.8; Average gas mileage/squad: 8.450.

Ordinance Activity Report for the month of March, 2016. Ordinance Investigations: 414; Business License Investigations: 3; Violation Notices Issued: 4; Miscellaneous Details: 190; S.L.O. Tickets: 5; Parking Citations Issued: 0; Tow Tag: 1

Trustee Milenkovic reported that Arbor Day is April 29, 2016. We will have a couple of celebrations. One will be at Edison School at 10:00 a.m. and another at Home School at 11:00 a.m. A tree will be planted at each school and there will be a ceremony. All are invited.

Trustee Savopoulos reminded people that street sweeping starts this week. He suggested that people follow the signs posted for the rules.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief John Sladetz refreshed our memories of a Shell Gas Station robbery in November. The offender walked into the Shell and pulled a weapon. They later learned it was a stun gun. The Shell was robbed. The clerk called the police. Corporal Lochridge was in the Jewel lot. The offender was caught a few blocks away. Everything was handled very efficiently. The Chief proceeded to present Shift Achievement Commendations for both Corporal Collin Lochridge and Officer Jesse Lopez.

Public Works Supervisor Jeff Boyajian clarified that the resolution that just passed is an agreement that the Village Board and Commonwealth Edison has to replace all our street lights with LED lights on the wooden polls. He will then work to get the lights on our metal polls replaced. That will take money. In addition street sweeping

starts this week and will continue until December. Yard waste pick up began. There were 400 warning notices given out.

Fire Chief Larry Meyer informed us that on Monday three of our guys started at the Chicago Fire Academy. Therefore, they cannot work in Stickney during their training. The previous week we hired nine trainees and that will be a six month process. He mentioned houses at 4211 Clinton and 4237 Grove that will be demolished after fires.

Treasurer, Kurt Kasnicka said that, "When we talk about the pension funds, we know that the police pension fund has a long way to go to be fully funded. Today he received a notice from the IMRF (Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund) informing us that as of December 31, 2015 we are 90% funded. They sent out a preliminary rate for next year. For 2016 it is 10.11% and 2017 it is 9.53%. We are doing fine with the IMRF Pension Fund. We now have to get the Police Pension Fund back up.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to adjourn to closed session at 7:20 p.m.

Discussion regarding Steven Almars v. Village of Stickney; Filed and Pending litigation (Consideration of this matter held in Closed Meeting/Executive Session Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11)(2014)).

Discussion regarding the matter of Sandra Alicea v. the Village of Stickney; Filed and Pending litigation (Consideration of this matter held in Closed Meeting/Executive Session Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11)(2014)).

Discussion Regarding Commonwealth Edison v. Cook County Board of Review; Filed and Pending Litigation Pursuant to Section 2 (c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)(2014)

Discussion Regarding Kornerstone Properties LLC v. Cook County Board of Review; Filed and Pending Litigation Pursuant to Section 2 (c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)(2014)

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Fuentes

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to return to open session at 8:14 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Fuentes

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Village Attorney Del Galdo asked the clerk to enter into the record that for all those items listed on the agenda including Sandra Alicea v. the Village of Stickney no action was requested of the board and no final action will be taken.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 20th day of April, 2016

Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor