## March 19, 2019

**State of Illinois** 

**County of Cook** 

Village of Stickney

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at 7:04 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:

Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to Approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik 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: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Treasurer Paul Nosek provided a summary indicating the source of funds used to pay the bills and the totals to be approved.

Corporate Fund: \$115,217.71 Motor Fuel Tax Fund: \$0 Badge Fund: \$0 Water Fund: \$20,821.94 Police Pension Fund: \$0 911 Account: \$0 1505 Account: \$0 Family Day: \$0 Police Revenue Sharing: \$0 Capital Projects Fund: \$1,000.00 Bond & Interest Fund: \$0 Subtotal: \$137,039.65

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General Fund Payroll: \$189,894.00 Water Fund Payroll: \$8,697.12 Subtotal: \$198,591.12 Total to be approved by Village Trustees: \$335,630.77

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to Accept the Village of Stickney Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2018

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote GW & Associates' partner John Wysocki presented the overview of the financial report to the Board. It is the auditor's opinion that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities. The Financial Highlights for the year were explained. Next he explained the Statement of Net Position. He noted that the Overview is comprised of three components: (1)government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. He gave a brief review of each of the three components. The Water fund was discussed at length. We were told that for the upcoming year there will be a new accounting standard that will be in effect for other post-employment benefits. This is basically health care benefits for the retirees. This will result in additional liability similar to pension funds being included in your government lines. All governments across the country must comply.

Mr. Wysocki continued to explain one of the additional handouts that summarizes the outline of the audit for the Mayor and the Board. The final letter is the management report that gives recommendations that we have for improvements and internal control.

There were no questions from the Board.

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to Authorize the Village's Withdrawal from the Illinois Risk Management Association ("IRMA") and Authorize Notice of Withdrawal to be sent to IRMA

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

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Village Attorney Mike Del Galdo explained, "This triggers the notice period. IRMA is a risk pool. It is the only risk pool that has this provision that doesn't allow you to shop for insurance rates to get savings. You have to give notice of your intent to withdrawal to avoid a penalty. If you were to just go out to shop for insurance for better rates and you try to withdraw and change insurance, they would penalize you. This just triggers the notice to withdraw to protect the Village's reserve fund. If you are able to go out in the market and find cheaper insurance and you change, there is no penalty. If you are not able to go out and find any cheaper insurance, you are then able to go right back into IRMA without any penalty. Trustee Savopoulos asked, "Will we have coverage?" Attorney Del Galdo replied, "Yes, they have a notice requirement that requires you to notify them in March of your intent to not renew in January 2020." Trustee White mentioned, "We could still renew with them in January. This is strictly to preserve the reserve money with IRMA."

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to pass and approve Ordinance 2019-03, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 86, Section 86-121of the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois Regarding Water Rates"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote Mayor Walik told the audience that this is our standard yearly raise along with the garbage. Unfortunately Chicago doesn't want to cut us a break.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve Resolution 02-2019, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Purchase of Rock Salt from the State of Illinois for the Village of Stickney"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to Grant permission to Misericordia to conduct their Jelly Belly Candy Days Solicitation in Stickney on Friday, April 26, 2019 and Saturday, April 27, 2019

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

<u>MAYOR'S REPORT:</u> Mayor Walik informed us that he and Trustee Torres attended some of the basketball games over the weekend. We are proud to say that Home School played Edison School out of 8 teams in the championship, and Home School won. The Mayor also attended the Stickney-Forest View Lions Club meeting. The

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Lions Club donated \$2,000 to the Veteran's pavilion on Ridgeland Avenue. In case you don't know, Trustee Savopoulos has previously mentioned that the Metropolitan Water Reclamation, Ozinga, Koppers, Andreas, and Fred Kuchta our Electrical Inspector who donated all the electrical boxes and conduit and the American Legion have donated to the pavilion. The Mayor mentioned one more thing. Resident Ed Dabrowski donated \$300 toward Music in the Park. In addition, the Village is starting the spring cleanup. Public Works will do pickups of anything on any day.

<u>CLERK'S REPORT</u>: Announced that our next board meeting will be Wednesday, April 3, 2019 due to the Consolidated Election being held on Tuesday, A[ril 2, 2019. A reminder was given to people who serve on village of Stickney boards/committees or have Administrative appointment to fill out the annual filing of the Statement of Economic Interest. She asked that people check their email for the reminder to file.

## **TRUSTEE REPORTS:**

<u>Trustee White</u> told the audience that we are working on the next fiscal budget. The Treasurer Paul Nosek, the Mayor, Trustee Savopoulos have been meeting with the department heads the last couple of weeks. Within the next couple of weeks we should have the budget ironed out.

<u>Trustee Savopoulos</u> mentioned that they staked out the Veteran's pavilion last week. By the end of this week they should start digging. He was confident that it should be ready by Memorial Day May 27, 2019. Finally, we were reminded about the 50/50 sidewalk program. We will accept application until June 28. He had applications.

<u>Trustee Milenkovic</u> told us that Friday, April 26, is Arbor Day. We will have our Tree Board meeting on Wednesday, March 27, at 4:00 p.m. in our conference room to plan our celebration. The Trustee then read correspondence from the Arbor Day Foundation congratulating Stickney as a 2018 Tree City USA.

<u>Trustee Kapolnek</u> announced that the Village is sponsoring a Polka Night at St. Pius X Parish tomorrow evening. It will be a church fund raiser. The menu was given.

The Mayor asked Tree Committee member Ed Bartunek if he had a tree report. He told us that the paperwork has been submitted for the Morton Arboretum Grant. We are waiting for follow up on that. He felt a good percentage of the trees will be planted around the Veteran's memorial. He is waiting until the new concrete is in to see where everything is going to be.

# **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Sergeant Kevin McGuire represented the Stickney Police Department in the absence of Chief Babich. We were told that conditions are quiet at this time. He mentioned that the concerns over raccoons with distemper may actually be focused on the south side perhaps Central Stickney or Burbank. He normally is on the night shift. He also told us that he has been here nearly 20 years and his great training officer was no less than Mayor Jeff Walik when he was on the police department.

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<u>Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian</u> addressed the warning sirens that went off the night before at approximately 8:48 p.m. After investigating they were unable to verify a source of the incident. He apologized and told us that there is a preventative maintenance within a month or two. He considered it a glitch. In addition, a house fire was reported on the 4200 block of Clinton. A woman met them on the front sidewalk. She doused the fire with water and put it out. The fire burned a significant area of the rug and scorched a dresser. She was fortunate she was not hurt. The fire department suspected it was caused by a candle.

<u>Public Works Director</u> Joe Lopez reminded people that street sweeping starts on April 1. We had the Kubota out recently cleaning sidewalks.

Trustee White move, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to adjourn into Executive Session.

a. Convening into executive session under Section 2 (2) (21) of the Open Meetings Act for discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes for approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to reconvene into regular session at 7:53 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to ask the clerk to draft a resolution setting forth which closed session minutes will be released and which closed session minutes will remain closed.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

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There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 3rd day of April, 2019

Jeff Walik, Mayor