

August 18, 2009

State of Illinois
County of Cook
Village of Stickney

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2009 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 Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk

Trustee Schimel moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, August 4, 2009.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares 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: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Mares moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk to approve the payment of Engineer's Payment Estimate No. 3, on Street Rehabilitation Phase 2 for \$530,807.94 to Orange Crush.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to accept the report of the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois, and indicating Motor Fuel Tax collected for the month of July, 2009 indicating the sum of \$14,800.47.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk
Nays: None
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for the month of May, 2009 indicating the sum of \$42,126.86.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: We learned that with the help of Senator Viverito and Speaker Madigan that the Village received a check from the State of Illinois for the sum of \$602,000. This is half of the sum that was due us from the Grant received for the new Village Hall.

CLERKS REPORT: Information was provided concerning the Census 2010. An announcement was made concerning the September 11, Mount Auburn recognition luncheon for police and fire personnel. An interesting fact was given about 36,000 vehicles traveling daily through Stickney on Harlem Avenue. Of that, 2,950 are trucks.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Mares gave an update about his public service announcement about the drug drop-off program. He checked into a recommendation that Osco will take back old drugs. He learned that they only recycle the plastic containers and the drugs are disposed of. His concern is that the drugs will end up in the sewer system or garbage. A Parks & Recreation update was given concerning the Haunted Hayride on October 17, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. He was looking for volunteers. He noted that actors were needed. Contact should be made through the Parks & Recreation department.

Trustee Morelli moved to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2009, duly seconded by Lazansky.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Schimel gave an update on the housing report. The house located at 4207 Gunderson was demolished by the banker. We will be going after the legal fees. There is some dispute over that. It will soon be up for sale. Dave Schmidt made the final inspection at 3924 Grove. This is where there were previously two houses on the lot. The house on the front was condemned and demolished. Everything was then reverted to single family. There have been a couple of offers on this. At the house located at 3913 Home the judge issued an order to demolish the home and also recover all our legal fees. We have a 30-day-window to start the demolition. The thirty-day-window expired yesterday. The demolition and asbestos abatement will commence on the 24th. There is a home located at 6944 40th Street. The banker has agreed to demolish it. There is a sale pending on this. He referred to the Coyote Club demolition order and the 90-day-window to demolish it. That was two years ago. A change is now being applied to future demolition orders such as 6944 40th Street. If they haven't satisfied the demolition within the time ordered, there will be a \$250

per day fine applied. The Coyote Club is the only one that is outstanding. Attorney Steve Adatto explained that the attorney's are fighting the judgment. The judge does not want to take away property and demolish it without due process in court. We will be back in court within 21 days. Everything should be filed by then. The judge could give a trial date if needed. This could cause more fees passed on to the owner. Trustee Schimel warned that there are easily another five homes that could take the place of this current list that could be demolished.

Trustee Zeedyk informed us that the stump removal is almost completed. A couple of additional stumps were discovered. A woman in the audience notified the Trustee of one on her property located at 6423 41st.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Deputy Fire Chief John Babinec gave a special report on the E-911 upgrade. He provided a lengthy history of the 1990 inception until today. The agreement with the vendor and the Village was signed on August 18. Trustee Lazansky questioned the availability and compatibility of parts into the future. Babinec responded that they will be.

Police Chief Joe Kretch reported that they have just completed an upgrade on the police department server. It has nothing to do with the 911 system. It is used as a writing system and was at capacity and ran out of hard-drive space. The age was also a factor. The two black and white squad cars are now cruising the neighborhood.

Public Works Supervisor Joe Lopez informed us that Bluder's Tree Service will be working in the village to cut the tall tree branches that public works couldn't reach.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS:

Penny Gibas of 4425 Wisconsin remarked on better patrolling of Haley Park. She also questioned the older youths from Cicero and Berwyn that frequent the park monopolizing it. Mrs. Gibas had concerns over parents not allowing their 9-10 year olds to go to the park because of the situation. Someone has checked the Berwyn and Cicero vehicle stickers of the cars. Trustee Mares remarked that the court is open to the public. He suggested that a sign could be put up saying that if there are people waiting, the court should be split up to play two games. Mrs. Gibas questioned the *Life Newspaper* article pertaining to graffiti on garages. She wanted to know if it has been taken care of and if someone was arrested for it. President O'Reilly remarked on the first news article that appeared since our administration and that the graffiti was removed within the ordinance mandated 10 days. There are no leads at this time of who did this. Mrs. Gibas went on to ask if someone was arrested at recent fight which included stabbing and if it was gang related. Police Chief Kretch replied that four youths were arrested and it was not gang related.

Rick Kucera of 4342 S. Wenonah wanted to know if the village web site is being updated. He suggested going to the local school computer clubs for assistance. President O'Reilly responded that we have someone working on it. Mr. Kucera addressed an ongoing issue with a neighbor with barking dogs. Chief Kretch suggested that he call and ask to talk to a supervisor if he is not happy with the response. Mr. Kucera then suggested that we start up the Neighborhood Watch program again.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams
Village Clerk

Approved by me this 19h day of August, 2009

Daniel A. O'Reilly, President