

October 3, 2023

**State of Illinois
County of Cook
Village of Stickney**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 7:04 p.m. in the Board Room, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek
Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa**

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek
Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic 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 White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek
Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to Approve Resolution 15-2023, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving and Engineering Services Agreement with Frank Novotny & Associates Inc. Regarding a Lead Service Line Inventory for the Village of Stickney."

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek
Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Prior to the vote, Trustee White explained that we have a mandate for April of 2024 to have a replacement plan, it is a 17-year plan, to submit to replace the lead service lines of every water outlet in the Village. We have approximately 1,900 water outlets. This will give our engineering firm permission to collaborate with a company out of Michigan that takes data that figures out what we will need in supplies as time goes on. It has to do with the plan that we have to submit by April of 2024. The Mayor added that the engineer will be at the next meeting to explain more about this.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to Approve Resolution 16-2023, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving an Engineering Services Agreement by and Between Frank Novotny & Associates, Inc. and the Village of Stickney." (2023 Street Resurfacing Program MFT Section No. 23-00062-00-RS)

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek

Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Torres moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to Grant Permission to The Salvation Army to conduct their Annual Red Kettle Solicitation Campaign on Monday—Saturday, November 1st—December 24th, 2023.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres and Kapolnek

Absent: Trustees Savopoulos and Hrejsa

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor explained that Trustee Savopoulos is sick today and Trustee Hrejsa is on vacation with his wife. The Mayor introduced two members of the audience that are visiting from Serbia. They are the parents of Natasa Dzolic who serves on the Parks and Recreation Commission. He gave them a bag of Village of Stickney memorabilia.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk reported that September was Suicide Awareness month. She drew attention to the recent statistics. In addition, she said that law enforcement officers and firefighters are more likely to die by suicide than in the line of duty. By dialing 988 a person can reach a crisis Lifeline if they feel that they are in crisis.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee White: We are starting the 2023 Street Resurfacing Program on October 5, 2023. We are about to start on 40th Street and 41st Street. They will start with the curbs on 40th with so they will be ADA compliant. They will start the removal of the top layer of the asphalt surface. Pay attention to the signs. If you are allowed to park in Stickney overnight, you still will be able to park overnight on those streets. But if there are signs during the day, and they do not want you parking there, respect the signs. Weather permitting, they should be starting soon.

Trustee Milenkovic: The lottery trees will be planted on October 24th. We achieved our 10-year anniversary of Tree City USA status. He displayed the plaque that contains a tree symbol for each anniversary year. This will be hanging in the front foyer. The trustee mentioned that Mayor Walik started this program many years ago when he was a trustee. It faded to the wayside until he asked the Trustee Milenkovic to bring it back.

Trustee Torres: October 21, 2023 from 6:30 to 9:30 is the Haunted Halloween Hayride and Pumpkin Patch at 43rd and Ridgeland. The Pumpkin Patch is free to the

children of Stickney with proof of residency. The Haunted Hayride is \$5.00 per person. There will be food, cotton candy and there will be many haunted acts. In addition, the Trustee asked Desplaines Valley News reporter, Carol McGowan to stand. She covers Stickney very well. Recently she covered the story concerning the fire on Cicero and Pershing Road and also the award the Mayor received on all the work he has done for the Village.

Trustee Kapolnek: He announced that the Village Hall and Public Works will be closed on Monday, October 9. Hydrant flushing will begin on October 10th throughout the Village. Let the water run and clean out your screens. There will be a Code Red on the subject.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Chief James Sasseti: He provided the monthly FEMA/IEMA/Cook County report on June 20. We have had 119 households submit applications for assistance. There were 103 households inspected. Of that, eighty-nine were approved for a total award Village-wide of \$264,114. which averages out to \$2,968 per household for assistance. FEMA representatives are in the Village doing site visits that will go on through the end of next week unless they extend it. In addition, we are transitioning from our paper visitor parking passes to our online portal. Anyone who has the rear-view mirror hanging parking yellow passes, those will not be valid any longer. Everyone will have to register on the Village of Stickney home page. Look for the overnight parking tab and enter the information. Our officers will be able to access this in their squad cars. In addition, our home watches will be done the same way. No need to call the police, click the dropdown menu, and enter your information. At the end of October, it will be completely up and running. Those who do not have access to the internet, they can personally come into the office or call in.

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian: He reminded us that on October 5, 2023 FEMA will be sending out an emergency alert on our televisions, radios and phones at 1:20 p.m. to check if the system is working.

There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 17th day of October 2023

Jeff Walik, President