April 7, 2021

State of Illinois County of Cook Village of Stickney

IMPORTANT NOTICE: As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the Governor of the State of Illinois' declaration of an emergency, the meeting will be conducted in person and via Zoom in compliance with P.A. 101-0640. All persons attending the meeting in-person will be required to wear a face mask at all times while in the building and will further be subject to strict social distancing (6 feet separation). Electronic attendance via Zoom is strongly encouraged. The information for the Zoom meeting is as follows:

Website: Zoom.us Meeting ID: 312 915 7558 Password: 768782

PUBLIC COMMENT: Persons not attending the meeting in person may submit "Public Comment" to the Village Clerk no later than <u>one (1) hour before the scheduled start of the meeting</u>. Please send public comments to the Village Clerk at <u>villageclerk@villageofstickney.com</u>.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met via Zoom electronic means on Tuesday, April 7, 2021, at 7:01 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present: Trustees Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos and White Absent: Trustee Torres has an excused absence.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve the minutes of the previous Regular Session on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

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

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Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to pass and approve Ordinance 2021-04, "An Ordinance Creating Section 50-40 of Chapter 50, Article II of the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois Regarding Use of Premises or Property to Disturb the Peace"

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

Prior to the vote, Village Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski explained that this ordinance establishes that disturbances of the peace would have a potential fine if someone uses their property or premises in a manner to disturb the peace. It allows a citation to be issued to the property owner when the property is being used in a manner that results in disturbing the peace. The minimum fine is \$100.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to pass and approve Ordinance 2021-05, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 42, Section 42-2 of the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois Regarding Ambulance Fees"

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

Prior to the vote, Village Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski informed us that this ordinance updates ambulance fees. We had been charging a flat rate plus milage. What this does is charge a flat rate for residents versus non-residents. Non-residents pay a little more. The Village is not in parity with other communities. The Village has not increased its rates for twenty-two years or so. We are now on the middle to low end of what other communities charge. Fire Chief Boyajian added in that the original billing was set up many years ago. We are finally up at where it should be.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to approve, Resolution 02-2021, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving an Extension and Amendment of the Master Agreement for the Use of Renewable Energy in the Stickney Village Aggregation Program for the Village of Stickney"

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

Prior to the vote, Trustee White provided information that this is basically extending our current contract with Eligo an additional three years. Our lawyer looked at the contract to make sure it is as it should be. We will receive \$5,000 per year of the contract. We can use that money in a proper manner. Village Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski said she made some minor edits. <u>MAYOR'S REPORT:</u> He wished Trustee Torres well. Yesterday was the election. Although it hasn't been certified yet. He congratulated Clerk McAdams, Trustees Kapolnek, Trustee Savopoulos and Trustee Torres on their reelection. The next four years are going to be even better. We will have even better services. There will be continued hard work done by our Trustees and our wonderful Police Chief, Fire Chief and Public Works Director. There will be a small newsletter coming out. Expect articles from the Police Chief, Public Works Director and the Fire Chief. There will be information concerning the May 2, 2021 Cinco de Mayo event at the Pavilion. We would like to have a small Little League and Soccer parade. The Mayor thanked everyone for supporting us.

<u>CLERK'S REPORT</u>: The clerk read a proclamation recognizing National Public Safety Telecommunication Week, April 11th through the 17th, 2021. The clerk reminded people who are required to submit the annual filing of the Cook County Statement of Economic Interest by May 31, 2021. Discussion was held concerning an upcoming TIF meeting. Village Attorney Tiffany Nelson-Jaworski said that the hearing will be on April 16, 2021 which is the meeting of the Joint Review Board at 3:00 p.m. There will be a Public Meeting on May 18th. This meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Regular Board meeting.

All the Trustees congratulated the newly re-elected Mayor, Clerk McAdams and Trustees Kapolnek, Savopoulos and Torres.

<u>Trustee Savopoulos:</u> Referred to the previous conversation held concerning the TIF meetings.

<u>Trustee Milenkovic</u>: We were informed that the Tree Board is working hard preparing for our Arbor Day celebration to be held on the last Friday of April. This is a special anniversary. It is the 150th Anniversary. Because the schools are still not in session, we are still working on something to celebrate Arbor Day.

<u>Police Chief Jim Sassetti:</u> He extended congratulations and gratitude to the people at our dispatch center. No one really knows how hard they work. They probably have one of the most stressful jobs at times. We have an IDOT Grant going on. It is for distracted driving. It started on Monday and runs throughout the week. Thanks were given to Public Works for their work in placing the cement barricades along 44th, 43rd and 42nd Streets and Harlem Avenue. This will restrict access into our residential area off of Harlem. This is a multifaceted reason why we are doing this in Springtime. Cars turn off Harlem Avenue to avoid Harlem Avenue traffic. It is done to protect our children against speeding vehicles along Harlem Avenue. We have determined to keep them in place for the entire Summer. He welcomed that people could call him with questions.

<u>Public Works Director Joe Lopez:</u> It was noted that the street sweepers are ready to go.

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<u>Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian:</u> The Chief joined Police Chief Sassetti in offering congratulations to our dispatch personnel. They do a great job and he wished them continued success in what they do for us.

ANNUAL INCIDEDNT TYPE REPORT SUMMARY FOR 2020

Total Fires: 29; Total EMS Calls/Patient Assists: 812 Service Calls (wires down/residential lockouts/odor investigations/etc.): 114 Automatic Fire/Trouble Alarms: 102 Mutual Aids: 121

Total Emergency Responses: 1,178

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 7:28 p.m.

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 20th, day of April, 2021

Jeff Walik, Mayor