# August 20, 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, August 20, 2019, at 7:02 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, Torres and White

**Absent: Trustee Savopoulos** 

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, August 6, 2019.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:** 

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

Nays: None

**Absent: Trustee Savopoulos** 

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres 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.

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

**Corporate Fund: \$140,895.31** 

Water Fund: \$184,971.34

Capital Projects Fund: \$5,643.50

**Subtotal: \$331,510.15** 

General Fund Payroll: \$182,308.69

Water Fund Payroll: \$10,670.40

Subtotal: \$192,979.09

Total to be approved by Village Trustees: \$524,489.24

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Navs: None

**Absent: Trustee Savopoulos** 

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

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At this time Vaughn Kuerschner from Waste Management was introduced. He was at our meeting to introduce a safety video that was produced in Stickney for their drivers with the help of Officer Will Dooley and Deputy Chief Rich Jaczak. We were told that safety is their top priority. Safety is critical. Their moto is "Mission 2 Zero". Zero accidents and Zero injuries. This year their theme was Super Heroes battling traffic. Mr. Kuerschner thanked Deputy Chief Rich Jaczak and Officer Dooley for their help in producing this film. The movie was shot in Stickney with the help of Super Hero actors and Officer Dooley stopping them for running a traffic stop sign.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to pass and approve Ordinance 2019-12, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 42, Article V of the Municipal Code Regarding Rat Control and Abatement for the Village of Stickney, County of Cook, State of Illinois"

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:** 

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

Nays: None

**Absent: Trustee Savopoulos** 

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Village of Stickney Attorney Mike Del Galdo directed people to turn to page 4 of this ordinance Section 42-369 to correct an error. Attorney Del Galdo said, "The motion is to pass and approve Ordinance 2019-12 as orally amended to include the change in Sec. 42-369 to change the inches to 18 from 12."

Trustee Hrejsa moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve a block party for September 7, 2019 on the 4400 block of Grove.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:** 

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

Nays: None

**Absent: Trustee Savopoulos** 

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Walik reminded people that Com Ed will be out trimming trees. He thanked Public Works for trimming trees and bushes and cleaning up in the areas around the schools. He noted that the lines in the street were painted. The Mayor now directed people to watch the video screen where Deputy Police Chief Jaczak showed the before and after views of the new LED lights on the Village Hall.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Clerk McAdams read information pertinent to the Census 2020.

#### TRUSTEE REPORTS:

<u>Trustee White:</u> He reminded people that garbage pickup will be delayed one day due to Labor Day on September 2. He mentioned that the portion the Village had to pay for the new LED lighting will be recouped in two years in savings. We got most of that money in the form of a grant. The trustee then referred to two scams. Trustee Kapolnek received a phone call from Social Security. The local dentist received a fax asking for money. He warned people not to let people in their house. Call the police.

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<u>Trustee Milenkovic</u> reminded people of the Waste Management paper shredding event on Saturday, August 24, at 9:00 to noon, at the pavilion on Ridgeland and 41st.

<u>Trustee Kapolnek</u> told us that St. Pius X bingo starts on September 7. Stickney Family Day bingo is 2:00 to 4:00 on September 1.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

<u>Deputy Police Chief Rich Jaczak:</u> Addressed the importance of the Census response. He explained that our dispatch center closed a couple of months ago based on population. If our population wasn't 25,000 we would have to shut down. There was a town up north that had 24,800 population and they had to merge. He warned that there is speculation that lawmakers could change the laws to change the 25,000 to 100,000 or more. As of 2010 Cicero falls just short of that. It is very important to get out there and get counted. People are scared. The clerk referred people to her last newsletter article. The government is explaining that they will use various means to find out the count.

<u>Police Chief Dan Babich</u> assured people that the Cicero dispatch has had very few minor glitches. Each glitch has been handled and resolved quickly. The best part of this day was our truck enforcement officer brought in an arrest for \$16,000. He got a truck that was carrying clay, dirt and concrete. He knew that by the way the truck was moving that the thing was heavy. It was the end of the day and they probably pushed their luck with this heavy load. We were also told that there have been many traffic stops in the Village. There

were ten stops on Oak Park Avenue. The Chief has never seen so many traffic stops. He mentioned the gun that was retrieved. A witness came forward and told us. That gun could have been in the wrong hands. Generating traffic stops opens the door to that brief second when you could find out if someone has a warrant or has narcotics with them. An officer can get skilled at it. He will know what to ask or not to ask. He can get skilled at reading body language and make a success of that arrest and how far it is going to go. It takes time and experience. The only way to get that is to do numerous traffic stops. It tests their awareness. It is a way of survival.

There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torr that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:34p.m.	
	Respectfully submitted,
	Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk
Approved by me this 3rd day of September, 2019	
Jeff Walik, Mayor	