

May 1, 2012

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

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, May 1, 2012 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 Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk.**

Trustee Schimel moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Wednesday, April 17, 2012.

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

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

President O'Reilly presented the following resolution to the board for approval:

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Schimel to pass and approve Resolution 04-2012, "A Resolution of the Village of Stickney commemorating the dog park in honor of Jason C. Bruscato."

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

A proclamation was read by the clerk naming May as Motorcycle Awareness Month in the Village of Stickney. She elaborated on how the A.B.A.T.E organization provides high school students an informational presentation on motorcycle safety.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to concur with the President on the appointment to the Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals, with the term beginning on May 1, 2012 and ending on April 30, 2017 as follows:

Keith Arndt

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to concur with the President on the appointment to the Police Pension Board, with the term beginning on May 1, 2012 and ending on April 30, 2014, as follows:

Chuck Budz

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to concur with the President on the appointment to the Police & Fire Board of Commissioners, with the term beginning on May 1, 2012 and ending on April 30, 2015, as follows:

Tony Guleiva

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares, to concur with the President in the appointments to the Parks and Recreation Committee, with the term beginning on May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2014, as follows:

Martha Gomez

Brian Klouda

Mitch Milenkovic

In addition the following have terms beginning on May 1, 2012 and ending April 30, 2013:

Jessica Torphy

Brittini Senese

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

President O'Reilly postponed the appointments to the Tree Board until the next meeting.

PRESIDENT REPORT: President O'Reilly read a letter that he received today. "After fulfilling three years of my four year term as trustee, it is with much forethought and consideration that I tender my resignation as Village Trustee effective May 15th at 5:00 p.m. Having been born and raised here and spending 52 years here, I did my best to take in consideration of the residents of the Village of Stickney as a whole in doing my job. I fully enjoyed serving the Village of Stickney and its residents. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the board and the Village of Stickney residents for the privilege to serve you. With Best Wishes, I remain, Cody Mares. President remarked that it is effective on May 15th at 5:00 p.m. and asked for a motion.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli to accept the resignation of Trustee Cody Mares effective May 15, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Mares moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to approve the appointment of Monty Horne to fill the unexpired term of Trustee Mares effective May 15, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

President O'Reilly openly thanked Trustee Cody Mares for his service and we look forward to Monty Horn serving on the board the remainder of his term. In addition, President O'Reilly announced that the Jason C. Bruscato Dog Park will be dedicated on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

CLERK'S REPORT: Information was provided concerning the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 28, 2012. The Village works in conjunction with the American Legion Post 687 and the VFW Post 8156. The event will be held at the Veteran's Memorial Monument located on 39th of Ridgeland at 10:30 a.m. The clerk read part of a proclamation naming April 29, 2012 to May 5, 2012 Municipal Clerk's Week. In part it said; Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of their state, and international professional organizations.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Trustee Mares thanked everybody, Mayor O'Reilly, the board, department heads, public works employees, the staff, all volunteers that we had in the village helping us over the past three years to accomplish what we did accomplish. He said that he is not moving, and there is no illness. He said he would still be here in town to help Dan O'Reilly to move forward with the village. You will still see me around the village. Thank you very much.

Trustee Schimel made a statement that they had this conversation prior to this board meeting. He noted that real estate taxes are going up and net worth of our properties are going down. Because of the reduced value of the parcel of the real estate that you have he is recommending that when you get your property insurance bill you ask for a reduction in your insurance bill. They will do an appraisal of your property and reduce your bill. He claims that it works. That he has done it. Trustee Zeedyk attested that he did it himself but had to make his point with them. Trustee Schimel claims that the insurance company will pay for repairs or replacement of your home by paying a contractor to rebuild your house and not the inflated amount that it is insured at. Attorney Stanley Kuser agreed. That maximum amount is negotiable based on the reduction of the real estate market. He noted that we took another 4% reduction in the market here.

Trustee Walik informed us that Arbor Day went well with our celebration at the Schools on Friday. He thanked the Mayor and the trustees and clerk that showed up. He thanked Motion Industries for donating the trees at each school. They joined us at the event. He thanked Tom Kadolph from The Tree Factory for helping to pick out our trees and had them delivered to us. He thanked Yuritzx Landscaping for planting the trees. Trustee Walik noted the attendance at this meeting of the family of Jason Bruscato. Lastly he thanked Cody for doing a great job. It was fun while you were here. Some people in the audience like you and some don't. But, they will notice the great job you did for our residents and our parks. Thank you.

Trustee White thanked Cody for making this first year of mine go much smoother and easier. I will truly miss Cody on this board.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Public Works Supervisor Joe Lopez spoke about homes that have lawns that need to be cut. If you see this when you are traveling around the village. He suggested that the home may be lived in or empty. Either way, he asked that people call the village hall and report it. Public Works will go out there and investigate. An audience member questioned if NiCor will repair the areas that they have dug up.

Treasurer Kasnicka explained to the audience that the end of the fiscal year occurred on April 30. May 1 is the start of the new fiscal year. Everything is well with the finances behind the scene.

There being no further business, Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this day of , 2012

Daniel A. O'Reilly, Village President