

August 19, 2014

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 19, 2014 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 De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Trustee Sleigher moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday August 5, 2014.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Sleigher 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 Lazansky and Sleigher

Present: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Savopoulos and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky said he had an exemption to paying of the bills. His exemption was that there was a discrepancy in the bill pertaining to the playground.

After the vote, Attorney Kreger asked that the roll be taken again of those who voted present to see how they want to vote. He said, "Present doesn't do anything." The clerk stated that she felt that the vote of present goes with the majority. The attorney said that abstention goes with the majority. Then he said, "Go with the majority, the bills get paid." Trustee Lazansky interjected, "Except for the bill for the new park for the discrepancy, that's the one that isn't being paid."

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of May, 2014 indicating the sum of \$42,155.55.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

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Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation for the month of June, 2014 in the amount of \$14,806.97.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to approve the August 23, 2014 block party for Lorraine Terrace between Wenonah and Wisconsin.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Gomez moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to approve the September 6, 2014 block party for 4300 block of Maple.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Present: Trustee DeLeshe

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to accept the treasurer's report for the month of May, 2014.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky gave the police report for the month of July, 2014. The total number of calls for service; 2,049; Total number of E911 calls received; 477; Arrest by type: Traffic: 160; Village Ordinance Offences: 24; Warrants and Complaints: 7; Parking violations: 357; Total number of arrests/citations issued: 548 Total number of squad miles: 9,532; Total amount of gasoline used: 1,095.6 Average gas mileage/squad: 8.700 mpg.

Ordinance Activity Report for the month of July, 2014. Ordinance Investigations: 373, Business License Investigations: 5, Violation Notices Issued: 14, Miscellaneous Details: 191, S.L.O. Tickets: 2, Parking Citations Issued: 99,

Trustee Sleigher mentioned that people getting out of a beat-up white van are taping a bright yellow notice to people's homes. He read, "Notice Property Damage", "This property has been flagged with exterior property damage that needs to be addressed". "If you respond to this notice within 10 days, a community relief project

will assist you in receiving the needed repairs at no cost." "We are not a contractor soliciting business." "This is a free service by appointment only." Trustee Sleigher went on

to tell us that when he called the number there was only an answering machine. He explained that these people are skirting around buying a solicitation license. If you call them, it means that you are soliciting their business. If you or your neighbors get this, throw this away. Nothing in life is free.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief John Sladetz explained that Deputy Chief Rich Jaczak recommends that in three different incidents officers should receive accommodations, honorable mentions, or shift achievement awards.

In one incident shots were fired on July 20, 2014. The offender was subsequently charged with reckless discharge of a firearm and three counts of aggravated assault. Detective Kevin McGuire, Officer Pedro Garcia, Officer Collin Lochridge and Telecommunicator Kevin Kozelka received Department Commendations and Auxiliary Officer Yolanda Meraz received an Honorable Mention for their efforts in the arrest of the offender.

Chief John Sladetz enforced the fact that he is very proud of such a fine department. We have a young, aggressive and smart department. He has never seen a crew like this. They shake the trees and kick the bushes. When they find something, they know what to do with it. Very few questions have to be asked. We don't have any problems. He is very proud of them.

Deputy Chief Jaczak continued with his presentations by describing incidents that took place in May, June and July, 2014 of numerous reports of graffiti on the east side of our residential area. Officer Garcia, Officer Lochridge and Officer Poindexter received Shift Commendations for their efforts in the arrest of the suspects who adversely affected the quality of life of the residents.

Prior to October 5, 2013 there were numerous reports of burglary/theft reports located in "Area 2" (the truck terminals located at 37th and Cicero Avenue). It was Officer Ashley Sinkowitz one of our officers on midnights, that happened to catch two of the offenders. This rather complicated case was comprised of a burglary, narcotics possession, possible stolen property, a fleeing suspect and subsequent search, three individuals at some point or another placing either themselves or another behind the wheel of a semi-tractor at the same time, and driving while his license was suspended charge. Ultimately, the collaboration and cooperation within the Stickney Police Department resulted in the seizure of a 2001 Freightliner. The Deputy Chief requested that Sergeant Figueroa, Sergeant Merrill, Detective Corporal Ortiz, Detective McGuire and Officer Sinkewich receive Honorable Mentions for their efforts and dedication.

Public Works Supervisor Jeff Boyajian read a August 12, 2014 news release from ComEd concerning:

- Installation of 10 distribution automation devices through 2013
- Replacement of more than three miles of Ridgeland cable through 2013

- Replacement of more than 2,100 feet of underground cable

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ComEd, through a sub-contractor, will also be working on replacing their 69 kilovolt underground cable that runs down Ridgeland Avenue. This cable will be replaced from the substation near 43rd and Ridgeland all the way to the Hawthorne station in Cicero.

In addition, Supervisor Boyajian informed us that he was on duty at the fire house on Saturday evening when a call came in of sparking wires in the 4300 block of Wisconsin. There were sparks coming down where a tree was touching a wire. During the time they were there the tree in the backyard split. ComEd was on the scene waiting until they could proceed with their work. The power was shut off from 7:00 a. m. to 1:30.

Treasurer Kurt Kasnicka reminded us that Labor Day is coming up on September 1. The administrative offices will be closed and garbage will be one day behind.

NEW BUSINESS: Attorney Donald Kreger wants a discussion with the zoning board concerning the Stickney zoning ordinance. He would like a committee meeting with the trustees when everyone can attend. There are five of the six trustees on the committee. He asked if the mayor had any objections. She did not.

Trustee Sleighter moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to go into a Closed Session.

To Discuss and Consider to hiring, discipline, performance and compensation of certain personnel, matters of collective bargaining, acquisition of real property and matters of pending probable or imminent litigation.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:26 p.m.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to return to regular open session at 8:01 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Attorney Donald Kreger advised us that item 18 on the agenda you have a contract to be approved for the public works employees. We need a motion for that.

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Trustee De Leshe moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to accept the public works contract.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleighter and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 3rd day of September, 2014

Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor