

**July 16, 2013**

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

**The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 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, Walik and White**

**Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, July 2, 2013.**

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:  
Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White  
Nays: None  
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez 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: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White  
Nays: None  
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried**

**Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of April, 2013 indicating the sum of \$40,127.22.**

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:  
Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White  
Nays: None  
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation motor fuel tax for the month of June, 2013 indicating the sum of \$11,844.13.**

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:  
Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White  
Nays: None  
Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to pass and approve Ordinance 2013-10, "An Ordinance for the Annual Budget and Appropriations for the Village of Stickney, Cook County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year, Beginning May 1, 2013 and Ending April 30, 2013.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to pass and approve Ordinance 2013-11, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 50, Article V of the Municipal Code as it pertains to Assault Weapons."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Walik and White

Nays: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky and Savopoulos

Mayor Morelli declared the motion failed.

Prior to the vote these comments were made in part from various Trustees: Trustee Lazansky voiced his opinion of the rights of Americans and legal people hold on to this. In summary; he fully expected the NRA to complain about this. He felt that most people who own this type of weapon travel far away to use it in competition. Trustee White explained that this is our opportunity to have something on the books about this. If we don't do this now, we will never have the opportunity to do it again. We can always revise or removed it. Attorney Donald Kreger addressed that he designed this ordinance so as to not be the leading edge on this. We designed this based on Cook County and other municipalities to avoid the NRA going after us. We should not be the one to defend. We could appeal this ordinance or parts of it. We cannot increase the intensity of it within the 10 day period of time to act on it. The state mandated that "you" define it, not "us". He included what most people consider assault weapons. If you don't do it tonight, the time to do it will run out on the 19<sup>th</sup>. We lost our ability to license other weapons. Concealed carry is permitted. Even Home Rule communities don't have anything to say about weapons that are not assault weapons. Trustee De Leshe did research on some of this. Some of these weapons are used in completion and /or hunting. He remarked over someone being in their backyard cleaning their assault rifle they could be given a \$50 fine. Bottom line, he didn't want to limit the rights of law-abiding people that want to completion shoot. Lastly, he mentioned the need to finance potential lawsuits.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to approve Resolution 08-2013, "A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement Between the Village of Stickney and All Around Amusement, Inc."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to approve Resolution 09-2013, "A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement Between the Village of Stickney and Platinum Bank and the Radio Disney Chicago."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

A presentation was made by George Sweeney, President of Bell Fuels. He went into great detail requesting the Village of Stickney's support of his company. Bell Fuels, Inc. will be holding an informal conference board petition this Friday before the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to write a letter of support for Bell Fuels, Inc.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

**CLERKS REPORT:** The Fire Department will be holding their annual Muscular Dystrophy "Pass the Boot" solicitation on July 26 & 27. Clerk McAdams received the insurance and request too late to make this agenda. She will provide permission as usual and place the request on the agenda for the August 6, board meeting when a ratification vote will be taken.

The clerk provided the board with registration information on the October 17-19, Illinois Municipal League 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference.

The Clerk explained a new feature she will be highlighting during each board meeting during this centennial year. She will be reading passages from the minutes written over the last 100 years.

#### **Fifth Installment of the Centennial Minutes**

On January 2, 1935 a lawsuit against the Village of Stickney was addressed. It pertained to Anton Rath who was the duly appointed Lieutenant of Police, an office created by ordinance of the Village of Stickney, and that that such appointment was made on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May, 1933 and that he continued as such Lieutenant of police until the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1934 and that there is due him the sum of \$1,093.75. A vote by the board approved the payment.

On July 21, 1936 the Appropriation Budget was passed. It included a salary of \$600 for the clerk, \$500 for the president, \$900 for the trustees, \$400 for the salary of the Village Attorney, \$1,800 for Village Marshall, \$3,000 for two patrolmen, and so on. The total budget was \$30,350.

The sum collected on April 23, 1937 for Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for February, 1937 amounted to \$150.68 and March, 1937 amounted to \$148.50.

By this time, there are no copies of ordinances or resolutions glued into the book of minutes. Therefore, the minutes are not as interesting.

On May 2, 1939 a letter was read from William Loeffler who is the current Village President and the Township Committeeman. The letter appoints Edward Cutshaw as the Weed Commissioner for the ensuing year.

A resolution dated November 28, 1939 was read. It describes that the janitor in the Stickney Village Hall insulted a member of the Board of Trustees thereby showing disrespect to said Board of Trustees. Therefore it was resolved that this janitor was relieved of his duties and a new janitor was appointed. This new janitor happens to have the same last name of one of the trustees. The janitor was earning \$62.50 for one-half month.

I did notice that there were more than several meetings over the course of a few years where Trustees Cibulka and Hadac left the meetings. On May 6, 1941 they walked out with the President Leoffler.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** Trustee De Leshe reported that he held the third centennial meeting at 6:00 p.m. prior to the board meeting. It is moving along as expected. He has sponsorship and food vendors are available in the front office. It will be on the web site shortly. People are calling and asking to be in the fest and taking part of the fest. Businesses would like to have a booth there to pass out information about their businesses. By next week there should be posters ready for the line-up. Promotions will start next week. It is only five weeks away. There will be another meeting prior to the next board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on July 30.

Trustee Gomez reminded people of the Flea Market this Saturday at 9:00a.m. on 43<sup>rd</sup> and Ridgeland.

Trustee Lazansky provided follow-up information on a question raised by a resident. They wanted to know if a house was sold with a cottage house on the back of the lot does the cottage house have to be torn down. The Trustee spoke to the Zoning Board Secretary Ed Bartunek about the legality of cottage houses in Stickney. The subject came up after the previous zoning board meeting not while the meeting was going on.

Trustee Lazansky gave the Police Department Activity Report for the month of June, 2013. The total number of calls for service: 1,736 Total number of E911 calls received: 490, Arrest by type: Traffic: 187, Village Ordinance Offences: 23, Warrants and Complaints: 9, Parking violations: 144, Total number of arrests/citations issued: 363, Total number of squad miles: 9,896, Total amount of gasoline used: 999.3, Average gas mileage/squad: 9.9029 mpg.

Ordinance Activity Report for the month of June, 2013. Ordinance Investigations: 525, Business License Investigations: 6, Violation Notices Issued: 17, Miscellaneous Details: 181, S.L.O. Tickets: 4, Parking Citations Issued: 117

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** Police Chief John Stadetz alerted us to the fact that Ordinance Officer Auturo Terrazas' father is doing fine after surgery today.

Public Works Supervisor Jeff Boyajian announced the promotion of Doug Czech to Assistant Supervisor of Public Works. He will assist with daily duties and in his absence.

Fire Chief Meyer informed us that after the meeting we held on the recent flooding, one of the things that was brought up at the meeting was the bridge south of 47<sup>th</sup> street catches a lot of logs, dead trees and silt. The executive director representative from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District did not know that this was taking place and remarked that this could be taken care of immediately. The levy project originally was projected to take twenty years to fix by the Army Corp of Engineers. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District is going to do it and has appropriated \$10 million to do so. It will take about two years. If that levy breaks or the water comes up any higher, their whole plant will flood.

The Chief told the story of a dog being caught in a catch basin. He spent a couple of days in the hospital. He warned about people taking the covers off of catch basins. In addition, the Chief relayed a situation that took place the previous Sunday. In the late evening he heard a popping sound and saw a flash of light. Then the lights went off. The same thing happened a second time. He had two breakers turn off. The neighbors had lights. An electrician analyzed a shorted-out light in the closet and one of his surge protectors was burned out by the surge.

Trustee De Leshe moved, duly seconded by Trustee De Leshe to adjourn to go into executive session.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to reconvene to the regular board meeting session.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Walik and White

Nays: None

Mayor Morelli declared the motion carried.

There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 6th day of August, 2013

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Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor