

April 2, 2024

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

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 7:04 p.m. in the boardroom located at 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos**

Trustee Torres moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on Tuesday, March 20, 2024.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustee voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic 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 Trustee voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to Approve Resolution 03-2024, "A Resolution authorizing and Approving a Certain Purchase of Rock Salt from the State of Illinois for the Village of Stickney, County of Cook, State of Illinois"

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustee voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Hrejsa moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to Approve Resolution 04-2024, "A Resolution Authorizing, Approving and Ratifying an Agreement with Electrical Solutions Network for the Village of Stickney, County of Cook, State of Illinois"

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustee voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Prior to the vote the mayor explained that Public Works Foreman Sam Alonzo put this entire project together. No questions were directed at him.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve the request from Misericordia Foundation to conduct their Annual Misericordia/Jelly Belly Candy Days fundraising event on April 26 & 27, 2024 in the Village of Stickney.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustee voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Savopoulos

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

The clerk mentioned that they have submitted their proof of insurance and hold harmless agreement.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor announced the recent engagement of Public Works Foreman Sam Alonzo and Michelle. The mayor thanked everyone for coming out to the Easter event last Saturday. He thanked Ed Dabrowski for taking the pictures. He then thanked Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian for the ceremony going back in time for the years in service. It went back five years and on to John Babinec with forty-five years on the job. There was a young lad that was five years old, and he was going to pick the fire career over a police career. The mayor said that John Babinec will probably still be here another forty-five years to train him. He congratulated all the recipients. It was a nice event for the fire department.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk reminded everyone that is required to, to fill out their Ethics Statement. She told everyone that there is a total of twenty-eight people who must file. So far fifteen have completed theirs. If anyone needs any help, she has an instruction sheet available. She then asked a question pertaining to the upcoming Cicadas. She had a concern over damage to young trees and the protection that should be done. The mayor asked a couple of trustees to investigate it. The mayor asked the deadline to complete the Ethics Statement. It is May 1st. The Clerk gave him the list of those who still must file.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Hrejsa: He thanked everyone that helped with the Easter Egg Hunt. It was the mayor's idea to have helicopters. It was an enormous success. Public Works set us up very well.

Trustee Kapolnek: He was asked to check on the Cicadas protection.

Trustee Torres: She thanked everyone for helping at the Easter event. The helicopters were amazing. She thanked Carol McGowan from the Des Plaines Valley News for the great coverage. We are now working on the Cinco De Mayo fest. We have the food, the music, we have stuff for the kids, we have the drinks. Everything is falling into place. The flyer will be coming out in a week or two. She thanked the mayor for placing it on the bulletin board in the lobby. All we could hope for is pleasant weather. The last two years have not been.

Trustee Milenkovic: He informed us that Arbor Day is April 26, 2024. It is always the last Friday in April. It is a big day for us here in the Village. The mayor puts on a great show at the schools. We are looking forward to it. The Tree Board is working hard on it. (Mostly the mayor and Beth.) In addition, he displayed a couple of Hawthorne Racecourse match books for the Visitors Center. He invited people to stop in there to

see the mini museum. He received a call from a resident who will be donating a couple of vintage fire department glasses with different vehicles on them. They could have been discarded otherwise. Due to all the rain the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District is advising people to observe the following tips: Delay or reduce shower times, the drains take both the storm water and your house water out to the street; Put off running the dishwasher; Wait to wash clothes in the laundry, put it off for a day or two; Replace old and leaky faucets, toilets and showerheads. They also have rain barrels available. All the information is on the MWRD website. The Trustee notified us of the May 11th tour of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. Their tour is from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. They do this once per year. It is quite interesting and informative. They are also starting their restore canopy program again. They will be giving away sapling trees. It will be on Wednesdays from April through October from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Further discussion was held on the rain barrel.

Trustee Jeff White: On May 5, 2024, the Lions Club will be having their Pancake/French Toast breakfast at Edison School from 7:30 to noon. It is \$10 for adults and children under five are free. You could have breakfast prior to the Cinco De Mayo event.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works Foreman Sam Alonzo: He reminded us that the parking restrictions are in place for street sweeping. They are near completion of cleaning the alleys. They try to do that once per year. They will turn the water on at the parks and dog park on May 12. The park equipment will go back up on May 12. They ordered 450 tons of street salt. The order had to be placed by April 1. Someone asked about lawn waste pickup. Trustee Torres remarked that the alleys look good. The sidewalk grinding is going well. If someone has a concern about a sidewalk, they can alert them, and they will come out to evaluate it.

There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 16th of April, 2024

Jeff Walik, President