

**November 20, 2018**

**State of Illinois**

**County of Cook**

**Village of Stickney**

**The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, November 7, 2018, 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, Savopoulos, Torres and White**

**Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Wednesday, November 7, 2018.**

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

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

**Nays: None**

**Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to pay 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: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White**

**Nays: None**

**Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

**Prior to the vote Treasurer Paul Nosek read the warrant.**

**Corporate Fund: \$167,508.92**

**Motor Fuel Tax Fund: \$1,250.00**

**Badge Fund: \$0**  
**Water Fund: \$186,184.28**  
**Police Pension Fund: \$0**  
**911 Account: \$0**  
**1505 Account: \$0**  
**Family Day: \$0**  
**Police Revenue Sharing: \$0**  
**Capital Projects Fund: \$2,218.60**  
**Bond & Interest Fund: \$0**  
**Subtotal: \$357,161.80**  
**General Fund Payroll: \$217,726.04**  
**Water Fund Payroll: \$14,697.85**  
**Subtotal: \$232,423.89**  
**Total to be approved by Village Trustees: \$589,585.69**

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**Mayor Walik asked that the Trustees Approve the Determination of the Amounts of Money Estimated to be Necessary to be Raised by Taxation for the Year of 2018 (collected in 2019) Upon the Taxable Property in the Village of Stickney, Pursuant to Section 18-60 of the Truth in Taxation Law.**

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to accept and approve the Preliminary Estimate of the 2018 Property Tax Levy (collected in 2019) in the amount of \$3,495,846.00 reflecting a 2.85% increase in last year's levy amount in accordance with the Truth in Taxation Law of Illinois."**

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

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

**Nays: None**

**Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

**MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor wished everybody a Happy Thanksgiving. He wants our police and fire to be safe over the holidays especially with these thugs running around with guns. He especially showed concern for our police officers making traffic stops. We were informed that all of the barricades have been picked up for the fall clean up and the winter season of snowplowing. We are getting the street sweeper back out. The police reported that not even eight hours later after taking down the barricades there were three cars speeding 40 mph down 43<sup>rd</sup> and Maple. The police are on alert. The leaves will be continued to be picked up until it snows.**

**CLERK'S REPORT:** The clerk reminded people that this is the time of the year for the approval of the 2019 Calendar Schedules. She asked for a motion.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to approve the 2019 Regular Board Meeting Schedule.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to approve the 2019 Administrative Office Holiday Schedule as corrected.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** All the Trustees gave Thanksgiving wishes to all.

**Trustee Hrejsa** informed us of the sign up for the Senior Christmas Party on December 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Clinic building. The Children's

Christmas Party will be the same day and place from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Families have to sign up their children.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian:** Informed us of a recent house fire where the residents found smoke in an upstairs bathroom. It was resolved that the fire was coming from a basement bathroom and the smoke traveled up inside the walls to the roof. More help was requested from adjoining towns. The fire could have burnt for an hour or two. The Chief then gave recommended safety tips for holiday cooking. Unattended cooking is the most contributing factor in fire deaths. He asked that people stay in the kitchen when cooking.

**Public Works Director Joe Lopez** tree trimming should be done by next Monday. He informed us that Waste Management will stop picking up lawn waste December 1. The holiday garbage pickup days were given.

**Police Chief Dan Babich** reported that on Tuesday, November 12, we received a call about a missing 70-year-old woman who possibly had dementia. She was visiting from another country and didn't know the area, speak English or have a working phone. A CodeRed was put out and someone had reported seeing her at a bus stop in Berwyn. It was confirmed. Police Officers, the Mayor, Fire Chief, Blight Officer, a helicopter and a bloodhound all helped to search for the missing lady. We searched street to street and yard to yard. Luckily officers found her walking on East Avenue unharmed eight hours later. A strong effort was made to find her. In addition, the Chief informed us that there will be a Stickney Police car stationed at the Jewel Store this week to discourage robberies. The Auxiliary Police will also be present. Our new officers are now in their third phase of field training. They are very aggressive. Our new male officer did his first DUI. He will have to testify and have to deal with an attorney with a college degree. We recently bought a 5<sup>th</sup> Rock River Arms rifle for our front line duty squad cars. This was budgeted for this year and enhances officers and public safety. The Chief noted that the rifle has a red-dot optic that will adjust for each eye that looks through it. All of our officers have qualified on the new rifle.

At this point, Police Chief Babich spoke on the traffic detail. The Mayor said that on week one there were 37 total traffic tickets. On week two there were 56 traffic tickets. The Chief mentioned that the detail started on November 12 through 16 and we did over 69 traffic stops. They wrote 19 state tickets, 37 parking tickets that could be stop signs. There were 18 verbal warnings. We gave two written warnings. There were two administrative tows. Now that they removed the barricades it has opened up the flood gates.

There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk, Audrey McAdams

Approved by me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018

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Jeff Walik, Mayor