

**July 1, 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, July 1, 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:**

**Present: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on June 17, 2014.**

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

**Ayes: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Nays: None**

**President Morelli declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee Sleigher moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, June 17, 2014.**

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

**Ayes: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Nays: None**

**President 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: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Nays: None**

**President Morelli declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to approve the July 26, 2014 block party request for 40<sup>th</sup> Place between Wisconsin and Home Avenues.**

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

**Ayes: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Nays: None**

**President Morelli declared the motion carried.**

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**Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to approve the August 2, 2014 Block Party request for 4400 block of Maple.**

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

**Ayes: Trustees De Lesch, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

**Nays: None**

**President Morelli declared the motion carried.**

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The Mayor read a letter of gratitude from Forest Park Mayor Anthony T. Calderone for the assistance from the Stickney Fire Department in fighting a June 12 & 13 fire in a senior citizen high rise building.

**CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE/REPORT:** A notice from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency was read identifying a permit application for a solid waste project located at 5101 S. Lawndale, McCook. The site name is American Grading Landfill Landscape Waste Compost Facility to serve as a transfer facility for composting and landscape/yard waste.

The clerk explained that she gave notice to all the elected officials concerning the Illinois Municipal League Conference September 18-20, 2014.

**TRUSTEE'S REPORTS:** Trustee Gomez thanked those from the Parks & Rec committee and resident Brian Klouda and public works for their help with the successful flea market on Saturday, June 28, 2014.

Trustee Lazansky explained that he attended the quarterly IRMA meeting and the village received an award. He asked the Mayor and the Fire Chief to accept the award presented by Fire Department Chairman Martha Gomez for no accidents.

Trustee White reminded people for the little bit of fireworks amusement the police will be writing tickets worth \$250. Since he sits in on the adjudication hearings, he knows that people will not be able to skip that ticket in our court. Asked people to have a safe 4<sup>th</sup>.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** Police John Sladetz continued on the subject of the dangers of fireworks. An example is that the hot fireworks can land on a roof and cause a fire. He suggested that people go to a fireworks display instead. In addition, he has been noticing **DOGS AT LARGE**. In his 29 years on the job he has never seen so many dogs running around. They are writing Stickney local ordinance tickets for this. He asked that people either tether the dog or keep them in a fenced yard. Dogs can be hit by a car. There have been too many dog bite reports. He asked that people have their dog and cats inoculated. Lastly, he asked people to have a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday and please no fireworks.

Public Works Supervisor Jeff Boyajian addressed the recent storms telling us that we had minor tree damage and a few reports of flooded basements. The basement flooding was in various areas and not concentrated. The report from our electronic recycling company reflected that during the months of April and May, 1,007 pounds of electronics were picked up in Stickney. Public Works will not be working on Friday, July 4.

Trustee Jeff White directed at question to Supervisor Jeff Boyajian. He commented that the dedication sign is back on the back side of Horne Field and that it was off there for a long time. He also noticed that Mayor O'Reilly's name has been taken off of it. He asked Supervisor Boyajian who said to do that. Or, who told somebody to take it off. The Trustee said it was the dedication sign. Supervisor Boyajian responded that it was his understanding that it was the Mayor's decision to do that. He wasn't there on the day it was done. Trustee White asked if there was a reason to take his name off of the sign. Mayor Morelli said that the way...she was not exactly sure the way the sign was. I saw that the sign was back hanging up. She drove over there the other day to look at it. I wasn't sure if it was a specific sign. I never saw exactly what the sign was. Trustee White said it was the sign that was up there before at the Horne Field. The Mayor said she did not see that one. She continued by saying that the one she saw was the one that is hanging up there now. Trustee White asked if we are going to put the name back on it, like it was on it. The Mayor said, I didn't know that it was a sign that it was peeled off of it. Trustee White stated that someone peeled it off. Who told someone to peel it off. The Mayor said she did not know, she thought it was a whole different sign. Trustee White said that Supervisor Boyajian said it was your (Mayor) decision. Mayor Morelli said I didn't say to peel a sign, I was told there was a specific sign. So this one I saw that was hanging up was the one I was to look at. Trustee White said his question is, "Are we going to put the name back on it?" The Mayor said, "Let me take a look at what we have there." She went on to say that she was not here when that was initially put up last year. She wasn't around. Trustee White said that public works wouldn't have taken the name off unless someone told them to take the name off. The Mayor said she didn't know it could be peeled off, she thought it was a whole different sign.

Fire Chief Larry Meyer told us that people wouldn't listen to him not to use fireworks. Sparklers are 1200 degrees. We got lucky with the storm the other day. The firehouse has lost power four times in the last two weeks. Each time it blows all the breakers on the air conditioner. ComEd is scratching their heads as to why. The Chief also gave a warning about Sky Lanterns. These paper parachute type devices are launched by the heat generated from a candle flame. The problem is that they could land and cause a fire. This is now a felony in our state.

Treasurer Kurt Kasnicka informed us that the Village Hall will be closed on Friday due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. And that the sale of vehicle stickers and pet licenses were brisk last week. We are working on the budget. The trustees and clerk received a copy for review. It will be advertised in the *Life* on July 16. On July 29, at 6:30 there will be a public hearing. At 7:00 we will have a special meeting and his hope that we will pass some sort of a budget on that night. The trustees already have the work sheets.

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There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee White that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk**

Approved by me this      day of              2014

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**Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor**