

October 18, 2022

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 7:03 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

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

Trustee Hrejsa moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, October 4, 2022.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Present: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos 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 White, Savopoulos, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Torres moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve the motion to hire one (1) Probationary Police Officer Robert Joseph Walik.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Savopoulos, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2022-18, "An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Cook County Sheriff's Office and the Village of Stickney Regarding the Sheriff's Treatment Response Team"

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Savopoulos, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Nays: None
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Prior to the vote, Police Chief Sasseti explained that this puts us in compliance with the Safety Act that takes effective January 1, 2023. We are required to have clinical, medical and professionals to be on call in case we respond to any calls where there could be emotional or drug issues. We will be partnering with the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department TRT team. They will provide us with an iPad where we can Zoom into a twenty-four hour per day medical professional that can give advice

and if need be, give a referral. This allows us to comply. This service is free of charge to the Village.

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2022-19, "An Ordinance Approving Certain Variances Related to the Operation of a Freight Terminal at 4400 Ridgeland Avenue"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Stickney Building Inspector Josh Beriak explained this zoning request came into the Zoning Board a couple of months back. It is to benefit the residents that live along that 43rd Street area where the business stacks containers. They supplied some noise as well beautification plans such as a fence and some other ideas to control noise and dust to help the residents.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to Approve Resolution 18-2022, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Proposal from Air Comfort for the Purchase of an HVAC System for the Village of Stickney Fire Department"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote the Mayor remarked that this HVAC went out three or four months ago. We did our work and bidding process. Fire Chief Boyajian said the equipment has been ordered.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to Approve Resolution 19-2022, "A Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Proposal From Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc. for the Purchase of an Access Control System for the Village of Stickney"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor congratulated his son for becoming a Stickney Police Officer. He told us how hard he worked for it. He even went for his power test without telling him. A couple of years ago he asked his son what he wanted to do. He was told he wanted to become the police. There was a vacancy that came up and Robert was first on the list. He was first on the written and oral test. He will be sworn in tomorrow at 6:00 p.m. In addition: The Mayor gave Trustee James Hrejsa his trustee badge. The Mayor raved about the amazing Haunted Hayride and bonfire.

There were 300 snacks and hot dogs. He thanked the volunteers and departments and especially Trustee Hrejsa for putting together the acts for the hayride.

CLERK'S REPORT: October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Clerk McAdams gave important statistics concerning breast cancer in women and men and the importance of screening.

All trustees congratulated Robert Joseph Walik on becoming a Stickney Police Officer.

Trustee White: We were told that at the last board meeting that we had we were considering a contract with Consolation Energy for our gas service for our pump station. We did sign a contract for \$.65 ½ per therm. We were at \$1.22 per therm.

Trustee Milenkovic: We will be starting up our Operation Support Our Troops drive again. This is where we collect items to send out to the troops and military personnel around the world. There is a list of suggested items needed in the foyer. It is also on the internet, Facebook and the electronic sign in the front of our Village Hall. On November 30th we will end the collection. We gather things in the front foyer and transfer them to a warehouse in Lisle.

Trustee Torres: The pumpkin patch set up received help from many resources. It was so windy all the number tags blew off. A special thank you was given to the Mayor and Trustee Savopoulos for supplying the 300 pumpkins. We sold over 550 tickets for the hayride. The kids got necklaces, candy, hot chocolate, hamburgers and much more. It was a group effort from all departments. Trustee Hrejsa did an outstanding job with the scary acts for the hayride.

Trustee Kapolnek: We were told about a fund raiser spaghetti dinner at Saint Pius on Sunday, October 23.

Trustee Hrejsa: We received a tremendous amount of help from people. There were Boy Scouts and soccer people. People showed up with chain saws and power tools. Public Works did an excellent job preparing spots for the acts in the forest. We were reminded that Veterans Day is coming up.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian: Congratulations were given to new Police Officer Robert Joseph Walik. We were told of the fires that the department fought this week. One person perished at a Cicero fire that was started with candles. They had a call for a CO (carbon monoxide) alarm. They spent some time there trying to find the source. It was discovered that a truck had been running in the attached garage. A warning was given to people about running a vehicle in the garage. In addition, we were told that the fire department has been going out to schools to educate people about Fire Prevention Month. Next week the smoke trailer will go out to both schools.

Police Chief James Sasseti: He congratulated Officer Adam Guzman from our night shift. He received an award from AAIM, Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists for the outstanding job he has done with DUI enforcement. Finally, the call summary to our call center was given. There were 1,560 calls for September. This was the highest call volume to date. We were responsible for 21% of the calls that came into the dispatch center. Every call that comes in generates a call.

Public Works Director Joe Lopez: We were told that the speed signs are located by both schools.

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 7:33 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Savopoulos

Mayor Walik declared the Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 1st day of November, 2022

Jeff Walik, Mayor