

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION," OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, ILLINOIS BY THE ADDITION OF SECTION 2-106.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, A HOME RULE UNIT OF GOVERNMENT AS FOLLOWS:

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Stickney (the "Village") is a home rule municipality in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village wishes to allow the public to speak at its regular and special meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has deemed it necessary to establish procedures guidelines for public participation at Village meetings in order to ensure that meetings are conducted in an efficient and coherent manner; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance advances the goal of maintaining the Village of Stickney as a good and safe place to live.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

**Section 1. Recitals.** The facts and statements contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

**Section 2. Adoption.** Chapter 2, Article II, Division 3 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stickney shall be amended by the addition of Section 2-106, which will read as follows:

**Sec. 2-106. Public Comment at Village Board Meetings.**

Public comment shall occur during Village meetings where the meeting agenda schedules time for public comment. The public shall be allowed to make comments during a Village meeting at the time designated on the meeting agenda, subject to the following procedures and guidelines:

(a) Prior to meetings the Village will make available a sign-in sheet, where prospective speakers must print their names and addresses, and indicate the subject matter upon which they wish to address the Board;

(b) Speakers will be recognized for comment during the public comment session only if they have completed the required portions of the sign-in sheet, and will be called in the order in which they have signed in;

(c) When recognized to comment, each speaker must begin by stating his or her name and address, and shall be permitted three minutes to speak;

(d) Speakers will be recognized to speak only once per board meeting.

**Section 3. Home Rule.** This ordinance is enacted under the Home Rule powers of the Village as set forth in the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval and publication in the manner provided by law.

**Section 5. Conflicts.** This Ordinance supersedes all ordinances or parts of ordinances directly conflicting with the terms and provisions contained herein, but only to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

**Section 7. Certification and Publication.** The Village Clerk of the Village of Stickney shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published in pamphlet form.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney, Illinois, this 21st day of July, 2009.


AYES: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Zeedyk

NAYS: Schimeil

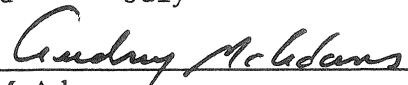
ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED by me this 22 day of July, 2009.

  
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Mayor Daniel A. O'Reilly of the Village of Stickney, Cook County, Illinois

ATTESTED, Filed in my office, and published in pamphlet form this 22nd day of July, 2009.

  
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Audrey McAdams,  
Clerk of the Village of Stickney, Cook County, Illinois