

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION," OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, ILLINOIS BY AMENDING SECTION 2-44 AND ADDING SECTIONS 2-48 AND 2-49.

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 efficiently conduct its regular and special meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Village has deemed it necessary to establish procedural guidelines for its public officials to participate at Village meetings in order to ensure that meetings are conducted in an efficient and coherent manner; and

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 1, of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stickney shall be amended by the amendment of Section 2-44, and adding Sections 2-48 and 2-49, which will read as follows:

Sec. 2-44. Quorum.

A majority of the Trustees, or three (3) Trustees and the Village President, shall constitute a quorum to do business. A smaller number may adjourn from time to time and may compel the attendance of absentees under penalties prescribed by the Board of Trustees.

Sec. 2-48. Absentee Trustees.

Where a Trustee fails to attend any regular or special meeting at the time and place appointed, the Trustees in attendance may instruct the Village Clerk to send immediate notice to the absent Trustee, compelling him/her to appear forthwith at such meeting. Absent good cause for the Trustee's failure to appear at the meeting, the Board may censure the Trustee and/or fine the Trustee not more than \$1,000.00.

If the Trustee fails to attend four (4) or more regular or special meetings absent good cause, he or she may be considered guilty of omission of duty and/or misfeasance in the discharge of the duties of office and shall be reported to the appropriate state office for prosecution of misconduct.

Sec. 2-49. Abandonment of Office.

A vacancy occurs in an office by a Trustee by reason of abandonment of office when a Trustee fails to attend four (4) regular or special meetings, absent good cause. The Board of Trustees shall determine if good cause is shown and whether a vacancy has occurred. If the Board

of Trustees determines that a vacancy exists, the office is deemed vacant as of the date of that determination for all purposes including appointments to fill the vacancy.

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 17th day of July, 2012.

AYES: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Walik, White, and Zeedyk

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

APPROVED by me this 18th day of July, 2012

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

ATTESTED, Filed in my office,
and published in pamphlet form
this 18th day of July, 2012.

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