

February 7, 2023

**State of Illinois
County of Cook
Village of Stickney**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at 7:01 p.m. in the boardroom located at 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

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

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

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

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

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve Resolution 02-2023, "A Resolution Reviewing MFT Section #09-0054-00-RS, Ridgeland Avenue Resurfacing 43rd Street to Pershing Road, \$124,884.85."

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

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve Resolution 03-2023, "A Resolution Reviewing MFT Section #16-00058-00-RS, East Avenue Resurfacing 43rd Street to 41st Street, \$33,668.59"

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Trustees White, Milenkovic, Torres, Kapolnek and Hrejsa
Absent: Trustee Savopoulos
Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve Resolution 04-2023, "A Resolution Reviewing MFT Section #19-00060-00-RS, 2019 Street Resurfacing of 40th Street, \$16,113.12"

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Savopoulos

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve Resolution 05-2023, "A Resolution Reviewing MFT Section #18-00000-00-GM, Rock Salt Purchase, \$6,444.00."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Savopoulos

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor asked Trustee White to update us on the heart health of a resident who our fire department resuscitated. The individual just completed 7 hours of bypass surgery. He is a survivor do to the help of our fire department. He acknowledged the passing of Keith Arndt. He has been a member of the Zoning Board since 2012. He was a great man. He was a low-key gentleman. The Mayor recognized the attendance of the owner of the Wunderkind Day Care on Pershing Road. They are taking over another spot and expanding into the barber shop. The barber shop is moving into the space where the laundromat was. There will be an ice cream shop next to the liquor store. There will be a tattoo artist on 39th and Oak Park. It will be by appointment only. The corn beef factory next to Villa Nova will open as soon as they get their equipment. We lost the hair dresser who had been doing hair for 55 years.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk educated the audience on February being Heart Awareness month. The IEPA provided a notice that Waste Management was granted a license to continue to operate landscape waste and the food scrap transfer area for an additional 24 months. A reminder was given to the Trustees on how to fill out the Statement of Economic Interest Form.

TRUSTEE MILENKOVIC: attended the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission on January 26th at 6:30 at the Mayfield Banquet facility on Archer. During the fourth quarter of 2022, the 12-month average was 52.7 decibels. There were no complaints from Stickney. He said that when he bought his house back in 1988, we were over 65 decibels. In addition the Trustee referred to the flyer from the Stickney Assessor's office.

TRUSTEE TORRES: She is planning the Cinco de mayo festivities on April 30, 2023 from 2:00 – 7:00 p.m. Everything will be in the Spring newsletter.

TRUSTEE HREJSA: He announces the April 1, Easter Egg hunt.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works Director Joe Lopez: The street sweeper had to go in for a few minor repairs. It should be ready to go by the end of the week.

Police Chief James Sassetti: As of yesterday we launched our body-cam program. All our officers have body cams. It is an asset to both the Village and the police department. When the police officers are out there they are recording. The chief explained that we received one grant and we are filing for a second grant. It is a five-year contract. The first year was 100% paid for with grant money. The secondary grant will pay for the hardware aspect of the grant. Our contract also calls for tasers. All of our officers are getting new tasers. We are also getting some infrastructure that will network all our systems together. We are ahead of the game. Trustee Torres asked how they charge the cameras. The chief explained that there are docking stations in the police station. It is a network. You dock it, it charges, it downloads all the video from the camera and it updates all the firmware. They take it out at the beginning of the shift. It is charged and cleared and ready to go. The clerk asked if someone files a FOIA and someone wants the camera videos is it easy enough to track the incident that someone is asking about? The chief explained that our officers also can tag videos for specific incidents. Our package also includes software that can redact by statute that requires redacting certain portions of the video. It depends on what kind of incident it is. It will be easy for our records department to redact it and save it in a file. Trustee White stated that each officer has his own camera and it is not shared. The chief agreed that each officer has his own assigned camera and his own assigned taser. They are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance. Our policy is pretty lengthy and it spells it all out. An audience member asked if the officer could turn the camera off. There are certain things that the officer can do to turn on the camera such as taking his gun out of his holster or taking their taser out, coming in contact with someone else who has their camera on. The camera will automatically turn on. They can turn the camera on themselves. Pursuant to the Body Cam Act it is extremely specific what you have to video tape. We were not required to get Body Cams until 2025 because of the Safety Act. But, we were able to negotiate a deal with Axon Corporation. We saved the Village a lot of money. Plus, we were able to upgrade our tasers. In addition, under that Act, we have to do 12 hours per year of mandatory training as it relates to scenario based training. Our training board in Illinois approved the use of virtual training goggles. We have virtual training goggles, and each officer can use the virtual training goggles and can do virtual training. We are one of the only departments that has this type of training. Examples were given of the scenarios. The clerk asked if we were going to get a drone. After researching they felt that adjoining communities have one and they are readily available for us to use. It allows us money well spent elsewhere.

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian: We were told that the new smoke detectors are good for ten years and they are sealed. At the end you only have to throw them away. The Mayor said that the Stickney Fire Department will give their annual report at the February 21st meeting.

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There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Milenkovic that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Clerk

Approved by me this 21st day of February, 2023

Jeff Walik, Mayor