

April 18, 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, April 18, 2023, at 7:07 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 Hrejsa moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held on Wednesday, April 7, 2023

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

Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to Pass and Approve Ordinance 2023-05, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Section 14-148 of the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois Regarding Residential Parking Zones."

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

Prior to the vote, Village Attorney Jessica Fese explained that this ordinance amends Chapter 14, Section 14-148 concerning parking on street sweeping days. There had been a section three that related to the 4100 and 4200 blocks of East Avenue and 7000 and 7100 blocks of 40th Place and had a different street sweeping day. We just got rid of that and now everyone will abide by what everyone else is doing and by the posted signs that are already there. It was just a redundancy.

Trustee Torres moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to pass, and approve Ordinance 2023-06, "An Ordinance Authorizing and Approving the Purchase of a Certain Vehicle for the Police Department of the Village of Stickney."

Upon the roll call, the following Trustee voted:

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

Absent: Trustee Savopoulos

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor thanked the people for attending. The parking ordinance change was for Monday through Friday not Monday and Tuesday.

CLERK'S REPORT: The clerk reported on a question Governor Pritzker is having with the Census. The American Community Survey found that the Census findings of a reduction in Illinois' population is actually misleading. They show that Illinois was undercounted by hundreds of thousands. The Census has been contacted many times about potential adjustments to the state's count.

An update was given concerning the Cook County's Economic Interest filing.

A reminder was given concerning the May 2, 2023 Board meeting. It will be held at Saint Pius, 4300 Oak Park Avenue, at 6:00 when the TIF meeting will be held and at 7:00 for the Board meeting.

Trustee White: The Trustee provided Earth Day activities at Brookfield Zoo on April 22, 2023. A recycling site will be offered in the North parking lot.

Trustee Milenkovic: The Trustee has been coordinating with Public Works Director Joe Lopez concerning the Arbor Day plans for April 22, 2023. We must have an event such as this to maintain our Tree City status. Hopefully, the Mayor will join the activities at both grammar schools.

The trees picked for this year's lottery will be:

Sterling Silver Linden

Greenspire Linden

Corinthian Little Leaf Linden

The next Midway Noise Compatibility quarterly meeting will be on April 27, 2023.

The Mayor asked about the amount of trees available in the lottery. The Trustee responded that it depends on how many people apply for a tree. Public Works Supervisor Joe Lopez is in charge of this program.

Trustee Hrejsa: The compost available from the MWRD is currently on hold for this year. The Trustee gave a warning about a member of the Shriners organization he belongs to has been hacked. There are emails going from him asking people to purchase gift cards and forward them to a fraudulent address. He continued telling about a Stickney resident that was defrauded. He provided a warning to people about sending money to people you do not know. The Mayor asked him to go to the Senior Club to talk to the seniors about this type of scams.

Trustee Kapolnek: He reminded people that the May 2nd meeting will be held at Saint Pius Church at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Lea Torres: We were told about the plans for Cinco De Mayo on April 30th, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at 43rd and Ridgeland. Anyone can come to this event. She informed us of the food and festivities you will find there. The Mayor thanked her and Trustee Hrejsa for all the work they have done coordinating this event.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Chief James Sasseti: The Chief reported on our newest police dog. We were granted a dog through the Department of Justice. The officer that has been in Pennsylvania training with the dog is completing his fifth week. The dog is one ½ year old Belgian Malinois. He will be back next Friday. His first shift will be on May 5th. We will be introducing him at the May 16th meeting.

Public Works Director Joe Lopez: The Mayor remarked that the parks have been cleaned up. The ball field has been prepared and fertilized. The baseball/soccer parade will be on May 13th. O'Reilly Park looks good. The clerk commented that she sent Joe Lopez a picture of a disk swing that she saw while downtown last week. She asked for one to be installed in Ridgeland Park that needs some new equipment. The Mayor and Trustee White said that we have budgets coming up and they could consider it.

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 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 2nd of May, 2023

Jeff Walik, President