

February 16, 2010

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 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik. Trustee Zeedyk was absent.

Trustee Schimel moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli , to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, February 3, 2010.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik.
Nays: None
Absent: Zeedyk
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares 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: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik
Nays: None
Absent: Zeedyk
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky, to accept the report of the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois, and indicating Motor Fuel Tax collected for the month of January, 2010 indicating the sum of \$14,699.77.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik
Nays: None
Absent: Zeedyk
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for the month of November, 2009 indicating the sum of \$44,610.42.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik

Nays: None

Absent: Zeedyk

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: This Friday we have a meeting with Cook County Emergency Management to find out if we will receive \$69,000 more in funds from the Justice Grant to use towards police equipment. This is in addition to the money we have already received. Police Chief Kretch will be attending the meeting with the Village President. In addition, we have been notified by Senator Viverito's office and others that we are close to receiving the other half of the funds that the State of Illinois owes us for the Village Hall Grant that was used to build the Village Hall. Speaker Madigan is also working on this.

CLERKS REPORT: A thank you note of appreciation was read to the Stickney Fire Department from McCook's Mayor Jeffery Tobolski for their involvement in the funeral of "JJ" James, a long-time firefighter. A report was given on the Census. A Senate Resolution was read that resolves that all public officials in Illinois are to cooperate fully with the U.S. Census Bureau and assist the Bureau with its efforts to make a complete count in Illinois.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Lazansky advised us that when he attended the Midway Airport noise meeting on January 21, 2010 he received the airplane noise complaint telephone number of 1-800-435-9569. He remarked that when the number is called, it is then linked with the Chicago 311 reporting center.

Trustee Mares thanked the audience for coming out to the board meetings. He voiced his opinion that he would like more residents to attend. He said that he worked diligently on the latest newsletter article on Parks and Recreation. The residents should keep the newsletter as a reference to all the activities planned. The web site is a work in progress.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Lazansky to accept the treasurer's report for the month of December, 2009.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Lazansky, Mares, Morelli, Schimel, and Walik

Nays: None

Absent: Zeedyk

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli gave the January fire department report. There were total 159 calls, 86 fire and service calls, and 73 ambulance calls. In 2010 they have responded to 159 calls.

Trustee Walik reminded people of the May 1, Village open house. He thanked Supervisor Joe Lopez for the outstanding job done on the snow removal during the recent storm.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Meyer advised us that a couple of the firemen went to "Tackle the Tower", the Lung Association fund raiser, in Oak Brook Terrace. Our team came in second in the 31 floor race. Our fire department went to assist Cicero at a fatal house fire. Since that has happened, there have been questions about overcrowding in homes. He related to a Cicero Federal Government law suit ruling that claimed it was discriminatory to limit the amount of people living in a home. We don't know what is actually going on in private dwellings. During this particular fire, oxygen tanks that were used by an inhabitant in the home exploded and went through a wall and injured a firefighter. This firefighter is still in the hospital.

Police Chief Kretch spoke about the parking tickets and reported that 95% to 96% of the residents understand the parking regulations. The remaining 5% still do not understand it. His goal is not to write any tickets. It is not his intention to use this to make money. Ordinance Officer Torres and he are taking heated phone calls about the tickets given out. The police department is using the reverse 911 system to contact people when it snows on the days they usually have street sweeping.

Public Works Supervisor, Joe Lopez announced that we had nine plus inches of snow last week. There were equipment failures on a few of our trucks. The repairs were quickly made. In addition, he personally contacted the Illinois State supervisor named Frank about complaints received over the plowing of Pershing Road. Supervisor Lopez instructed him about what we expect of them. He was assured that the State driver has been instructed on how he will plow Pershing in the future. President O'Reilly informed us that the police took pictures of the homes that were sprayed by the plowing. The pictures will be sent out with a letter requesting that the homes should be cleaned by the State. We learned that no windows were shattered as they had been in the past.

AUDIENCE QUESTIONS:

Audience questions removed due to privacy concerns.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams
Village Clerk

Approved by me this 17th day of February, 2010

Daniel A. O'Reilly, President