

February 5, 2019

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 5, 2019, 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 Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Trustee Milenkovic moved to approve the minutes as amended, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos of the previous regular session on Tuesday, January 16, 2019.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos 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.

Prior to the vote, Treasurer Paul Nosek provided a summary indicating the source of funds used to pay the bills and the totals to be approved.

Corporate Fund: \$41,060.62

Motor Fuel Tax Fund: \$0

Badge Fund: \$0

Water Fund: \$175,071.31

Police Pension Fund: \$0

911 Account: \$0

1505 Account: \$0

Family Day: \$0

Police Revenue Sharing: \$0

Capital Projects Fund: \$0

Bond & Interest Fund: \$0

Subtotal: \$216,131.93

General Fund Payroll: \$134,273.33

Water Fund Payroll: \$13,065.70

Subtotal: \$147,339.03

Total to be approved by Village Trustees: \$363,470.96

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Hrejsa, Kapolnek, Milenkovic, Savopoulos, Torres and White

Nays: None

Mayor Walik declared the motion carried.

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Mayor Walik introduced representatives from Commonwealth Edison, Tiffany Ingram and Angel Perez for a presentation. The Mayor explained that Tiffany is our new representative. She has called the Mayor prior to the Polar Vortex to inform him that there will be extra crews on duty and in our area. She called on Sunday to find out if we had any issues. Tiffany explained that the Village of Stickney has secured 74 street lights and then presented the Village of Stickney with a check for \$11,160.80. These new lights will result in over 66,000 kilowatts saved. She praised the Village for taking advantage of the incentive that was available. A plaque was presented to the Mayor.

At this point, Mayor Walik asked that our newest Police Officer Roberto Santos to come forward to take his Oath of Office.

Deputy Chief Rich Jaczak addressed the audience with the following for special presentations:

“On January 5, 2019 a victim had her purse stolen at a local business in the Village of Stickney. A suspect was quickly identified with the help of witnesses; however, locating the offender became a complex task. Detective Sergeant Crus Ortiz, Jr. worked with numerous other law enforcement agencies to determine locations where the offender may be found.”

“Sergeant Ortiz obtained an arrest warrant for the offender and coordinated extensively with the Kankakee County Sheriff’s Office to take her into custody after she attended an unrelated court hearing. Officers were then able to obtain a full confession from the offender.”

Sergeant Ortiz was given an Honorable Mention for his efforts to make an arrest.

Deputy Chief Jaczak also mentioned the exceptional act by Corporal Kozelka, Corporal Lochridge and Officer Maria Guzman when they came across an unresponsive individual. They administered CPR and Narcan and brought the individual back. Awards were previously given to them.

“On January 1, 2019 the Stickney Police and Fire Departments responded to a report of a house fire on the 6500 block of 41st Street. Officer Pedro Garcia arrived on the scene and observed black smoke coming from the house. He then saw one of the residents run back into the house. Officer Garcia called out to the resident several times but did not get a response. The resident was then seen emerging from the kitchen area and then collapsed onto the living room floor.”

“Officer Garcia then entered the house and dragged the resident out to safety where he could receive medical attention.”

“I am requesting that Officer Garcia be given a Department Commendation for his actions during this event. Sergeant Figueroa was also present. The Medal of Valor was given to Officer Garcia. This is the second one given to this department. The first one was given to Officer Ramski.”

The Mayor mentioned that in his twenty years in law enforcement neither he nor his partners had an opportunity to save somebody. Mayor Tabor gave out a lifesaving award during his time. He thanked his officers, ComEd and audience for coming out.

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CLERK’S REPORT: The Clerk read a notice from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency concerning the McCook Transfer Station.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: All the Trustees gave congratulations to our newest police officer.

Trustee Hrejsa notified us that the Parks and Recreation Committee will be meeting soon to plan for the Easter event. The trustee gave praise to our police, fire and public works departments over the extreme weather.

Trustee Kapolnek informed the audience that there will be a senior and disabled care program in the Village. It will include lawn mowing and snow shoveling. It will be in the

newsletter. People have to come in to fill out the application. There will be 40 spots available. The Mayor added in that people will have to include a doctor's note.

Trustee Torres thanked the police, fire and public works for doing a fine job during the extreme weather. She congratulated the individuals from the Police Department that received awards.

Trustee Milenkovic attended the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission on January 24th at the Mayfield facility on Archer. There were no noise complaints from Stickney on the airport. Our monitor is located at 4308 Wenonah. The noise level for the 4th quarter of 2018 was 18 decibels which was 3.8 decibels less than the 4th quarter of 2017. Trustee Milenkovic thanked Trustee Kapolnek for joining him at this meeting. In addition, Trustee Milenkovic gave us the salt usage report for January. There was 188 tons of road salt used. We were reminded that Monday, February 18 is President's Day and therefore the Village Hall will be closed. Services will be delayed by one day.

Trustee Savopoulos thanked our first responders.

Trustee White welcomed aboard our new police officer. He mentioned the elite in our Police Department. He considered Officer Mark Kozelka as elite. Trustee White added that he would like Officer Kozelka to be the one to come to his assistance if ever he needed someone to give CPR. We have the right people in charge to help us through this weather.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian informed us that they fought a fire at the race track during 20 degree weather. A total of three apartments were lost to fire or water damage. The guys did a good job. The Mayor added that the fire department and Officer Kozelka gave life-saving assistance to his own neighbor.

Chief Dan Babich thanked the Village Board now that they are fully staffed at 18 police officers. The time line of schedules was given to bring the new officers into the schedules.

Deputy Police Chief Rich Jaczak thanked the Police and Fire Commissioners who were at the meeting. He mentioned that the last four officers that were hired were vetted by this commission. The Deputy then presented the following:

Stickney Police Department Semi-Annual Report for July 1—December 31, 2018

Total number of calls for service; 8,936: Total number of E911 calls

received; 2,371: Arrest by type: Traffic: 768; Village Ordinance Offences: 353; Warrants and Complaints: 34; Parking violations: 1,504; Total number of arrests/citations issued: 2,659; Total number of squad miles: 38,298; Total amount of gasoline used: 5,290 gallons; Average gas mileage/squad: 7.24 mpg.

At this point the Deputy Chief explained that INDEX CRIMES OFFENSES is what we have to report to the FBI. He would say that the best way to judge a town is by their murders and stolen cars. Those are the only two crimes you would expect to get reported 100% of the time.

Semi-Annual Activity Report July 1 – December 31, 2018:

CALLS FOR SERVICE; Total calls for service: 8,936; Incidents generated: 1,858;

INDEX CRIMES OFFENSES; Homicides Number 0: Rape Number 0: Robbery Number 2: Aggravated Assault & Battery Number 0: Burglary Number 5, Arrests 1: Theft Number 19. Arrests 1: Motor Vehicle Theft Number 5, Arrests 0: Arson Number 0, Arrests 0: Human Trafficking Number 0, Arrest 0.

The Deputy Chief added that our crime rate is very low. It has been low for the past two years. We place a lot of emphases on alley patrols, regular street patrols and we are spending a lot of time with our schools. While we spend a lot of time on that, our funds collected is going up.

Funds Collected: Admin Reports: \$335.00, Tow Releases: \$50,490.00,

Boot Fees: \$1,800.00, Ordinance: \$16,305.12, *cannabis (part of Ordinance) \$1,600.00, Parking fines: \$69,400.76, (for a six month period) TOTAL: \$138,330.88

Ordinance Activity Ordinance Control Total Activity Report for the months of July 1—December 31, 2018. Ordinance Investigations: 1,191; Business License

Investigations: 46; Violation Notices Issued: 56; Miscellaneous Details: 833;

S.L.O. Tickets: 8; Parking Citations Issued: 602; Booted Vehicles: 7; Tow Tag: 1

The Deputy closed by saying, “Every six months these numbers are actually getting bigger. When we are fully staffed we expect it to continue to get bigger, especially with all these young officers.”

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian announced that Captain Tom Heller, who oversaw the Fire Prevention Bureau, retired. He will continue as the Fire Chief in Forest View.

Public Works Supervisor Joe Lopez informed us that the street sweeper was out this week. The Public Works employees worked diligently for the last two days. The Mayor added that they were on 12-hour shifts to have full 24-hour coverage. They worked four days straight clearing the sidewalks, Pershing Road, bus stops and the parks.

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There being no further business, Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 19th day of February, 2019

Jeff Walik, Mayor