

May 7, 2019

State of Illinois

County of Cook

Village of Stickney

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Wednesday, May 7, 2019, at 7:02 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, duly seconded by Trustee Hrejsa to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, April 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: \$65,326.51

Motor Fuel Tax Fund: \$0

Badge Fund: \$0

Water Fund: \$3,739.14

Police Revenue Sharing Fund: \$0

1505 Account: \$0

Capital Projects Fund: \$11,600.00

Bond & Interest Fund: \$0

Subtotal: \$80,665.65

General Fund Payroll: \$129,093.36

Water Fund Payroll: \$10,270.64

Subtotal: \$139,364.00

Total to be approved by Village Trustees: \$220,029.65

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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Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to pass and approve Ordinance 2019-04, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, Section 14-120 and 14-121 of the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois Regarding Stop Signs on Certain Village Streets"

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.

Preceding the vote the Mayor explained that this stop sign will be installed on 41st and Elmwood. The Fire Chief and Public Works Direct had close calls at this intersection on the same day with cars flying through.

Trustee Kapolnek moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to approve Resolution 06-2019, "A Resolution Adopting the County Clerk's Proclamation of the Results of the April 2, 2019 Election and Declaring the Election of Board of Trustees"

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 to recess.

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.

At this point Trustees Hrejsa, Milenkovic and White took their Oath of Office after winning the April 2, 2019 election.

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Torres to return to open session.

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 Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to Approve Resolution 08-2019, "A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of Cook Related to the 45th Street Road Improvements Project for the Village of Stickney, County of Cook, State of Illinois"

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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Trustee Milenkovic moved, duly seconded by Trustee Kapolnek to grant permission to the Stickney-Forest View Library to conduct their Annual Summer Reading Kick-off Block Party on Saturday, June 1, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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.

The clerk explained a few details concerning the blocking of the alley and street.

Grant Permission to the American Legion Post #687 and its Auxiliary to conduct their Poppy Day solicitation fund raiser in the business areas of Stickney on May 19 through 26, 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.

At this point Mayor Walik read the Proclamation recognizing the 50th Anniversary of Municipal Clerks Week as May 5-11, 2019.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor explained that the 45th Street paving project has been dragging on for 6-7 years. He had a meeting with Cook County Commissioner Tobolski. We went down to his office and met with people from the county. We did secure \$300,000 towards the \$600,000 cost. Forest View will be slightly more because they need more due to the need for curbs and sewers. Our curbs and handicap sidewalks are in good shape. The most our portion would be is \$150,000. He thanked the department heads for the great job. The Mayor made special mention to the Police Chief for donating his entire Sunday to making pancake batter for the Lions Club breakfast. Everyone was invited to attend the Memorial Day activities on May 27, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

CLERK'S REPORT: The Clerk informed the audience that she will be educating people about the 2020 Census which will begin in Mid-March. Today she explained that 80% of the people should expect to receive an invitation letter with instructions on how to respond online or by telephone using a unique ID. The other 20% addresses will receive both an invitation letter with a unique ID and a paper questionnaire with a postage-paid return envelope. She reminded people that the Census is important because the Village receives funding based on the population.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Hrejsa thanked her family and the people for supporting her for the last four years and again in this current election.

Trustee Kapolnek wished all the mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

Trustee Torres Congratulated the trustees for winning the election. She reminded people that May 12 through 18 is Police Week. We have the best.

Trustee Milekovic attended the April 25, 2019 Midway Noise Compatibility Commission meeting at the Mayfield on Archer. This is the 5th quarter that we had a decline in the airplane noise. It is down to 49.4 decibels. We had no noise complaints from Stickney. The next meeting is July 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Trustee Savopoulos gave an update on the construction of the Veteran's Pavilions. The schedule is a bit behind because of the rain. They did a mock up in their warehouse and did all the cuts and made up a little time there. They plan on working extra hours. The Mayor added in that they had built in seven extra days in their schedule for rain.

Trustee Jeff White advised people of new rates from Com Ed. They filed their annual rate report with the Illinois Commerce Commission on April 8. Com Ed is a delivery agent. They need \$6 million less than last year. This will lower each customer's bill by \$.38 beginning in January 2020. Lastly, Trustee White reminded people of the 18th Annual ceremony honoring all line-of-duty deaths of police officers. This will take place this Friday at Cermak pool. Four Cook County police officers died in the line-of-duty in 2018.

The Mayor asked for reports from Ed Bartunek from the Tree Committee, the Women of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Stickney-Forest View Library.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Chief Dan Babich informed us that the entire police department will be doing training on the new incoming software for Dispatching and Record keeping for the merger with the Town of Cicero Dispatch Center from Tuesday, May 14 through Thursday, May 16, 2019 for 6 to 8 hours per day. The official switchover date to go live will be Thursday, May 16th at 1:00 p.m. All 911 calls, or calls for assistance will be going through the Cicero dispatch center at this time. All calls for general information and non-emergency information will also go to Cicero Dispatch through our original regular village phone numbers, (the 708-788-2131 or 708-788-2132) and then they would be properly routed to the right personnel.

Right now we are hiring personnel for certain time periods on the weekend. There will be Police Monitor Personnel in the police station 24/7. Someone will be able to take your payments for parking tickets, tows or if someone has any general question for any services needed. There will be a phone in the police lobby that will connect you to Cicero. Cicero will give you one of the Stickney Police Officers that could help you. This is necessary for documentation purposes. It doesn't matter if it is a missing dog call, a found bicycle or a missing person. After the call goes through Cicero they initiate a CAD number to the call. That CAD number is then sent over to the police officer. If an incident report needs to be generated, then he will generate it from his computer in his car. It still gets logged on a software system that we share with Cicero. We both share the information. It is on our computers in the car. It is in the station on our desks. We can access this information at any time.

On weekends the part-time person in the station will be there from Friday at mid-night all the way through Sunday at midnight. These would be eight hour shifts. The hardest thing they have to do is stay awake. They may have to watch a prisoner.

They will be able to give immediate assistance whether someone wants to drop off a baby or someone was dumped in front of the station after being beat up. We are giving them answers to simple questions such as: When will my garbage be picked up or when is street sweeping. We will have a list of answers to basic questions.

Most Municipalities with a Central Dispatch situation close down their lobbies at certain hours. They might run them from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The person in our station will still be able to direct your concerns to an officer.

All the Cicero Dispatch Personnel came to Stickney to tour our Village and station so they know what they are talking about and dealing with. This will help give them an insight to our landmarks. People will get fast assistance.

The Mayor added that we are going to stay open 24 hours per day for your safety and ours. Many departments such as Forest View, Willow Springs, Western Springs and Palos are closed. They close at 4:00 p.m. There is nobody around. He then asked Deputy Chief Jaczak to update people of why we are doing this.

Deputy Chief Jaczak told us that many years ago legislation was included in a shell bill, which was actually an agricultural bill, demanded that any dispatch center of a municipality with a population less than 25,000 people had to merge with another municipality to reach the population of 25,000. We had a population of 6,500. We had many options, some of which were very expensive. Most of the Village Board went on a tour of some of the facilities. We share most of our borders with Cicero. It was our best choice. Our biggest concern was that the residents don't see a delay in response time. All our phone numbers will be staying the same. In DuPage all phone service, emergency or not, is 9-1-1. Down the road, it may be the case nationwide. Right now it is not. Right now 708-788-2131 is available for non-emergency. But, if you are ever unsure, call 9-1-1. The calls are answered quicker.

The Deputy Chief explained that he went to Springfield six times to testify against this mandate. Waiver time ran out and we had to make a decision. Merging with Cicero was our best option. We have a very talented IT vendor working with our police department who works for a very big dispatch complex. He has been working behind the scenes for many months. The Mayor reminded people that this merger has been in the works for over a year. The Deputy Chief assured people that there will be no lag time when people place a call to the police.

Police Chief Babich added in that when he was asked to be the new Stickney Chief of Police he was told that he would have to deal with this merger. When he was in Lyons, he dealt with a similar situation. It was a major situation with a lot of variables. He told of the other departments they had considered. He felt that many of them were just too far away.

The Mayor thanked Public Works Director Joe Lopez and his crew for doing a great job on street/alley sweeping and helping out where needed.

Fire Chief Jeff Boyajian mentioned that the Fire Department will have training next week for the merger with the Cicero dispatch center. It was noted that Stickney has been on the Cicero radio band for years.

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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 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 21st day of May, 2019

Jeff Walik, Mayor