June 7, 2011

State of Illinois
County of Cook
Village of Stickney

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in Regular Session on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, Council Chambers, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Cook County, Illinois

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Schimel to approve the minutes of the previous Regular Session of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday, May 17, 2011.

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

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White , to approve Ordinance 2011-07, "An Ordinance amending the Board of Trustees Committees listed in the Village of Stickney Municipal Code."

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

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this was a housekeeping action to get the TREE committee officially added to the ordinance book.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to approve Ordinance 2011-08, "An Ordinance amending the Fire Prevention Codes ."

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

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this was a request from the Fire Department to add right of entry to the ordinance.

Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli, to approve Ordinance 2011-09, "An Ordinance Amending the General Prevailing Rate of Wages as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois."

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

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this is an annual required action.

Trustee Mares moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik to table Ordinances 2011-10 and 2011-11 on advice of our attorney.

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

Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik to approve Ordinance 2011-12, "An Ordinance Amending Motor Vehicles and Yield Streets."

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

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that the yield sign would be installed on the southwest corner of 40th Street and Wesley Avenue.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk to approve and adopt a change to Chapter 6, Section 2, of the Personnel Manual of the Village of Stickney.

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

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly explained that this is a issue recommended by the IMRF.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Schimel to approve the Proclamation recognizing June 13, 2011 as the 25th Anniversary of the Chicago Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home Parade.

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

Prior to the vote, Clerk Audrey McAdams, read the proclamation dedicating June 17-19, 2011 Welcome Home 2011 based on the 25th anniversary of the June 13, 1986 Chicago Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home parade. Various commemorating events were referred to.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President O'Reilly asked Sarah Cottonaro, Stickney/Forest View Library Director, to provide information concerning their Second Annual Block Party on June 11, 2011. There will be food, games, face painting and all are invited to attend

CLERK'S REPORT: A reminder was given to the Trustees to mark their calendars for September 15-17, 2011 for the Illinois Municipal League Annual Conference. This is the time to take training sessions. In addition, a notice was read from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency announcing a waste facility that will open at 5100 W. Lawndale.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Trustee Mares provided information on the "Music In The Park" June 8, 2011 Polka band. The fire department will be cooking hamburgers and serve chips and a beverage. He also gave information about the Central Stickney Park District activities. The people from that park district met with us to provide a catalog of their events. We have been invited to participate in any of the events for a "non-resident" fee.

Trustee Morelli gave the Fire Department report for the month of May 2011. Calls: 2 Fire & 3 Service related calls and 67 Ambulance calls, 3 automatic fire/ trouble alarm calls, 9 mutual automatic aids calls, 5 accidents with injuries, 5 trouble alarms and 1 report of smoke, the total response for 2011 is 446.

Trustee Morelli reported on a new advisory committee with Mary Hrejsa as the chairperson. The first event will be a craft show/ flea market on July 16, 2011. Participants will be able to rent an 8 foot section for $20. Participants should bring their own tables. The location is on 41st and Ridgeland in the area of the pavilion. There is a sign-up sheet in the village hall.

Trustee Schimel revisited the subject of the "long time homeowner's exemption" that some of us are entitled to on their property taxes. He noted that people must fill out the application every year. The applicant must not earn over $100,000 annually. Proof of the 2009 Federal tax return is required when applying. Various questions were fielded from the audience. It was learned that if the applicant has a senior freeze (income less than $55,000 annually) they wouldn't qualify.

Trustee Walik remarked that the street resurfacing project is moving along. Tree trimming is caught up.

Trustee Zeedyk gave the police report for the month of May, 2011. The total number of calls for service: 2,186, Total number of E911 calls received: 419
Arrest by type: Traffic: 216, Village Ordinance Offences: 34, Warrants and Complaints: 4
Parking violations: 182, Total number of arrests/citations issued: 436
Total number of squad miles: 16,839, Total amount of gasoline used: 1,404 gallons
Average gas squad mileage: 11.99359 mpg

Ordinance Report for the month of May, 2011. The total number of ordinance investigations: 407, Total business license investigations: 4, Violation notices issued: 70, Miscellaneous details: 106, Stickney Local Ordinances tickets: 2

In addition, Trustee Zeedyk remarked on the excellent job being done by the auxiliary police. He noted that they are now patrolling on foot at Haley Park. They are doing a great job out there.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire Chief Meyer gave us information on the crack down on novelty lighters. A lot of the states have already passed a ban on these lighters. The State Fire Marshall requested that local fire departments do a spot check of local establishments that may be selling them. The product looks like a toy and is attractive to a child who may accidently start a fire playing with it. The lighter is made in China and could look like a small gun, cars etc. They did find some of them being sold at a local establishment. A warning was given and they are to remove the lighters. If they are found to continue to sell these lighters they could be fined $500.

Deputy Chief Figueroa reported that during the month of May changes were made on how the auxiliary police are utilized. Ordinarily they were to go from park to park and patrol and spend 20 minutes of every hour at Haley Park. The changes now orchestrated see the auxiliary force has a permanent officer stationed at Haley Park from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday. On Saturday and Sunday the time is 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. If available, they will back up our full-time officers. The Haley Park officers interact with the people visiting the park. Other duties performed by the Haley officers were to keep a record of the parking on Grove Avenue every hour that they were there. They ran the plates and

found that the eight to twelve vehicles found parking on Grove were actually Grove Avenue residents. It was therefore determined that there was never a parking problem on Grove.

A report was given on a May 18, event that involved a Cicero vehicle involved in a carjacking. This unbelievable event was described in detail. The offender was apprehended. Our department had minimal involvement in the course of events. In spite of that, one of our officers was slightly injured.

On May 24 & 25 with the assistance of the Stickney Police Association, a Pizza Party was held for the Safety Patrol at Edison and Home School. One boy's dedication was singled out because he took his responsibility seriously even though his friends were playing basketball only a few feet away. Chief Kretch thanked each group for their dedication and service to the responsibility of their assignment. President O'Reilly attended the event and awarded each student a coupon for free ice cream.

On May 31 and June 1 the Police and Fire Departments were invited to participate in the field day activities at Edison School. One of the student activities was to throw dodge balls at the police and fire department personnel that participated.

Deputy Chief Figueroa informed us of a presentation that will be given on June 14, 2011 by the Morton College Massage Therapy Program. It will take place in the Village Hall Board room 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Public Works Supervisor Joe Lopez provided information about a possible report of the Emerald Ash beetle. After having the tree inspected by our tree expert, it was found to be invaded by a bulls head beetle. The tree was removed. A report was given by Jason Bruscato on the Consumer Confidence Report on the public water supply. The report will be in the mail to the residents by the end of this month.

Treasurer Kurt Kasnicka updated us on the vehicle sticker sale currently going on. Extended Village Hall hours and days were given in detail.

There being no further business, Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which, said Board of Trustees adopted the motion at 7:37 p.m. and President O'Reilly declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Audrey McAdams, Clerk

Approved by me, this 8th day of June, 2011

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Daniel O'Reilly, President