

**May 15, 2012**

**State of Illinois  
County of Cook  
Village of Stickney**

**The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 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 Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk.**

**Trustee Schimel moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, May 1, 2012.**

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

**Trustee White moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik 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: Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk  
Nays: None  
President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.**

**Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Schimel to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of February, 2012 indicating the sum of \$41,061.91.**

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

**Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation motor fuel tax for the month of April, 2012 indicating the sum of \$13,174.28.**

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

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to pass and approve Ordinance 2012-08, "An Ordinance Amending Motor Vehicles and Traffic as it Pertains to Immobilization Equipment".

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, 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 request made by the Police Department.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to concur with the President on the appointments of the Trustees to the various committees.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

AIR POLLUTION	MORELLI, SCHIMEL, HORNE, WALIK, ZEEDYK
BLIGHT	MORELLI, WHITE, HORNE, SCHIMEL, WALIK
HOMELAND SECURITY/ DISASTERS	ZEEDYK, SCHIMEL, HORNE, MORELLI, WALIK
DRAINAGE, WATER & LIGHT	SCHIMEL, ZEEDYK, HORNE, MORELLI, WALIK
FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS	WHITE, MORELLI, HORNE, SCHIMEL, WALIK
FINANCE	WALIK, WHITE, HORNE, MORELLI, ZEEDYK
FIRE	MORELLI, HORNE, SCHIMEL, WALIK, WHITE
INSURANCE AND SAFETY	WHITE, SCHIMEL, HORNE, MORELLI, ZEEDYK
LICENSE	WALIK, HORNE, MORELLI, WHITE, ZEEDYK
ORDINANCE & PUB. PRINTING	WHITE, ZEEDYK, MORELLI, SCHIMEL, WALIK
PARKS AND RECREATION	HORNE, MORELLI, SCHIMEL, WALIK, ZEEDYK
POLICE	ZEEDYK, WALIK, HORNE, MORELLI, WHITE
PRIVATE BLDGS/CONSTRUCTION	HORNE, ZEEDYK, MORELLI, WALIK, WHITE
PUBLIC BLDGS & GROUNDS	HORNE, WHITE, MORELLI, WALIK, ZEEDYK
PUBLIC WORKS/WATER DEPT	WHITE, WALIK, HORNE, MORELLI, SCHIMEL
RAILROAD AND BRIDGES	ZEEDYK, MORELLI, SCHIMEL, WALIK, WHITE
RECYCLING AND WASTE	SCHIMEL, MORELLI, HORNE, WALIK, ZEEDYK
STREETS AND SIDEWALKS	ZEEDYK, WALIK, HORNE, MORELLI, WHITE
TREES	WALIK, WHITE, HORNE, MORELLI, SCHIMEL
ZONING/ZONING ORDINANCES	SCHIMEL, HORNE, MORELLI, WALIK, WHITE

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to concur with the President on the appointments to the Administrative Department.

Kurt Kasnicka	Village Treasurer and Collector
Cody Mares	Village Supervisor of Public Works and Water Department
Stanley T. Kusper, Jr.	Village Attorney & Prosecutor
Stanley T. Kusper, III	Village Adjudicator
Joseph Kretch	Chief of Police
Larry Meyer	Fire Chief
Jim Barthel	Building Inspector
Vito Martinkus	Plumbing Inspector
Frederich Kuchta	Electrical Inspector

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustee Horne, Morelli voted Yes then changed her mind to No after Trustee Schimel voted No, Walik, White

Nays: Schimel, Morelli originally voted Yes but changed her mind to No after Trustee Schimel voted No, Zeedyk

President O'Reilly broke the tie by voting Yes

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried

Prior to the vote, discussion was lead by Trustee Schimel. He started his comments by saying, "Some six or eight weeks ago while we were in a closed meeting." (He then went on to openly disclose information that was discussed in this closed meeting.) President O'Reilly reminded him that the discussion at this time was to refer to the appointments to the Administrative Department. He recommended that he could have a discussion without disclosing closed session information. Trustee Schimel went on to explain his opinion that we cannot move forward with the appointment of Cody Mares to Public Works.

Trustee Morelli then read a prepared statement. It ended with her asking what qualifications Cody Mares has. She would not support the appointment. President O'Reilly remarked that Cody Mares is a Journeyman Carpenter. He is well qualified to handle the position. He revealed that Joe Lopez wasn't let go. He stepped down. The position was thus opened.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to concur with the President on the appointment to the Emergency Telephone System Board.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

John Babinec, Chairman  
Brent Tureson, Telecommunicator  
Jeff Boyaijan, Fire Department  
Frank Figueroa, Police Department  
Cody Mares, Public Works Department  
Tony Guleiva, Public resident  
Dolores Kretch, Public resident

And, as non-voting members

Joseph Kretch  
Larry Meyer

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White, to concur with the President on the appointments to the Executive Safety Board.

Jeff White	Village Trustee
Kurt Kasnicka	Administration
Darlene Pregara	Administration
Beth Lukas	Administration
Frank Figueroa	Police Department
Joseph Kretch	Police Department

Jeffrey Boyajian	Public Works
Cody Mares	Public Works
Larry Meyer	Fire Department
Thomas Heller	Fire Department
John Babinec	Fire Department

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Horne, to concur with the President on the appointment to the Tree Board.

Cody Mares	Jeff Boyajian	Beth Lukas
Jeff White	Tom Klein	Fran Figueroa

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli to grant permission to the VFW to conduct Poppy Days solicitations on May 24<sup>th</sup> through May 26 in the Village.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Horne to grant permission to the American Legion to conduct Poppy Days solicitation on May 24 to 27, 2012 within the Village and approved the American Legion Proclamation which was read by Clerk, Audrey McAdams.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to grant permission to Family Outreach Program to conduct solicitations at advisable intersections in the Village on June 8 & 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, President O'Reilly went into great detail about this being a new organization making such a request. He went on to explain that they have satisfied all requirements such as liability insurance, hold harmless agreement, proof of non-for-profit status and have agreed to the safety measures necessary to collect at various street location in the Village.

Trustee Zeedyk moved, duly seconded by Trustee Morelli to grant permission to the Salvation Army to conduct Donut Day solicitations on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Trustees Horne, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

**PRESIDENT REPORT:** At this time, President O'Reilly reminded people that May 18, 2012 is the Mini Relay for Life at both of our schools. He welcomed our new Trustee, Monty Horne and he thanked Cody Mares for accepting his new challenge in helping out our Village. At this time he introduced our Democratic nominee candidate State Representative Silvana Tabares from our 21<sup>st</sup> District. She graciously greeted all and thanked the Mayor and the entire Village for their support during the primary election. She will not get sworn in until January. She looks forward to serving our community and working with our Village Board. She asked that people contact her with their concerns.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS:** Trustee Horne stated that he looks forward working with the Board and the Mayor to do anything he could do to help the Village. He explained that he has been a resident since December 24, 1976. He retired after working in the construction business for 42 years. He looks forward to helping the Village in any way he can. He also announced that he will not be running for Mayor in the next election.

**CLERKS REPORT:** A thank you note was read from the Wesley Packala Family who wanted to recognize Sergeant Jaczak and Officer Heslop of Stickney Police Department upon their help on May 3<sup>rd</sup> during a crisis at their home which resulted in the death of their son.

A reminder was given about property taxes being mailed out in late June and due August 1. Exemptions could still be applied at this time and bills could be corrected.

A memo was received from ComEd informing us that they have requested a rate increase of \$0.97 on the average residential monthly bill. This will take effect in January 2013.

Information was provided about the Nation of Patriots escort of the American Flag on Saturday, May 26. This flag will ceremoniously fly in front of our village hall overnight and on May 27, it will then proceed with the motorcycle escort to Elkhart, Indiana. This flag will continue to travel all 48 contiguous states from the Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day weekend. The flag will return to Oconomowoc, Wisconsin on Saturday, September 1, 2012 for permanent display.

Trustee Morelli reported on the April, 2012 Fire Department activity. Calls: There were 92 calls as follows: 3 working fires, 10 service related calls and 67 ambulance calls, 10 automatic fire alarms and trouble alarms, 1 motor vehicle accidents, 7 mutual automatic aid calls, 4 automatic trouble fire alarms, Total calls for 2012 was 370 .

A reminder was given for the Outdoor Craft and Flea Market through the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee for Saturday, June 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Food will be served. Questions should go to the Village Hall and will be forwarded to Trustee Morella's voice mail. The fee is \$20. You must bring your own table.

Trustee Schimel announced that, "I can't stop thinking about our public works people", "This is so wrong", "He feels sorry for these guys". "On my behalf, I can't deal with this, I am going to excuse myself." With that he left the meeting.

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee White to accept the treasurer's report for the month of March, 2012.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: Horne, Morelli, Walik, White and Zeedyk

Absent: Schimel

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee White reported that the month of May is National Bicycle Month. This Friday is bike to work day. The web site, People for Bikes will give you all the information.

Trustee Zeedyk said, "He felt sad and that Joe Lopez did a good job while he was in. " "Anything that he asked Joe to do he did immediately." "He appreciated the respect that he has shown him." He said, "He hated to see him go." He stated, "He learned about (it) a few days ago or yesterday." He stated in general, " He thought (Joe Lopez) really liked the job." "He had no indication that if there was a problem you should have come to me and talk about it." "He doesn't understand the decision." He questioned, "Did he resigned on your own or were you forced to resign?" Joe Lopez responded that he resigned on his own. Trustee Zeedyk stated, "He is sad to see him go." "And, as a board member he is sad to see Fred Schimel walk out like this." "It is a sad day."

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Prevention Chief Tom Heller reported that there was a Central Stickney rubbish fire. The fire could be seen from I294 and Cicero Avenue and out to Fermi Labs. Our department helped fight the fire for four hours.

Deputy Police Chief Frank Figueroa provided an update on our two police recruits in the academy. Maria E. Guzman and Sean C. Poindexter just completed their sixth week, they are halfway done. They both are progressing well. They are both averaging on their test scores in the 90's. They are well above the class average. Deputy Chief Figueroa visited the academy last week with the Field Training Unit to observe the recruits performing in the scenario based training. The exercise was to take the recruits through back-to-back-to-back calls as if they were on an actual shift

of activity. There were shots fired. The recruits were tested to see if they could distinguish whether it was fireworks or shots. Our recruits were able to observe that there were shell casings on the ground and blood. The gentlemen who answered the door was immediately cuffed. Some other recruits didn't pick up on it. Another scenario was an armed robbery in progress where they chased the bad guy through a warehouse. This was a simulation of an eight hour shift. The Field Training Unit was able to see how the recruits worked in action. The recruits will graduate on June 22.

President O'Reilly thanked Joe Lopez for his service personally and from the board. Joe Lopez gave his last report. NiCor is going to be replacing the sod at their construction sites. He went on to thank President O'Reilly for the opportunity to hold this position. He went from working on the back of the truck to being the Village Supervisor. I learned a lot. I learned both sides of the road and that was very interesting. He lost some friends in public works. The last one was pretty bad. My health. . . I have to worry about that. It was a good job. I enjoyed everybody. I didn't care where you came from. I enjoyed the people. That is what I am going to miss the most. I could talk to anyone in the Village. I could knock on any door to see what they needed. I made a bunch of new friends in other villages. I lost a few friends along the way. I will be very happy. I won't have to worry about my phone. I can go home and be with my family.

Trustee Walik told Joe Lopez thank you. He also asked if NiCor was going to water the sod. We were told that NiCor would water it once. They would produce a flyer.

Treasurer Kasnicka informed us that the Village offices will be closed on Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day. He provided information about the Memorial Day ceremony at the War Memorial on 39<sup>th</sup> and Ridgeland at 10:30 a.m. This year it is hosted by the American Legion. The vehicle stickers and dog licenses applications are being organized by the office. They should be received in early June. Don't wait until the last minute.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 5th day of June , 2012

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Daniel A. O'Reilly, Village President