

February 21, 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, February 21, 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 Mares, Morelli, Schimel, Walik, White and Zeedyk.**

Trustee Mares moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2012.

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

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee White 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: 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 accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of November, 2011 indicating the sum of \$44,287.16.

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

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Mares to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation motor fuel tax for the month of January, 2012 indicating the sum of \$13,725.07

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

Trustee Morelli moved, duly seconded by Trustee Zeedyk, to approve the 2012 Motor Fuel Tax Maintenance for Road Salt MFT Section No. 12-00000-00-GM appropriating \$47,400.00 of MFT funds for the purchase of road salt.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: None

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Trustee Mares moved, duly seconded by Trustee Walik, to approve Ordinance 2012-03, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, "Administration" and Unauthorized Use of the Village Seal.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

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

Nays: Zeedyk

President O'Reilly declared the motion carried.

Prior to the vote, Trustee Zeedyk announced a "Point of Order" to open the ordinance up to discussion prior to the vote. President O'Reilly informed him that discussion is after the motion is seconded. Trustee Zeedyk asked, "I want to know if this ordinance and what is misuse and who construes this is misuse." President O'Reilly responded, "The official keeper to the Village Seal is and has always been the Clerk." He went on to explain, "If there are any issues the Village Clerk would be the one to rule on that." Trustee Zeedyk inquired, "Does this have anything to do with jackets or shirts or hats?" President O'Reilly explained, "That anything that is not approved, yes it does." Trustee Zeedyk reminded the President, "Cause we had jackets given by him (the President) for Christmas." President O'Reilly responded, "Exactly" "Your question?" Trustee Zeedyk continued to question, "So if we wanted to have a jacket made with it on there, we could have it?" President O'Reilly answered, "Yes, if you got permission, yes." Trustee Zeedyk queried, "We are officials, why would we need permission?" He continued on, "If a department employee goes out without anybody's permission and gets a seal on it without permission, would you take it away?" President O'Reilly explained, "You could make an issue of it if it is offensive to the clerk." "Yes". Trustee Zeedyk then responded, "So any jacket that is offensive we are worried about?" President O'Reilly added, "Or, improper, yes." Trustee Zeedyk then stated, "Improper". "And you make that decision what is improper." President O'Reilly replied, "The clerk makes the decision as to what is improper." "OK, Trustee Zeedyk said, "That is all I wanted to know."

Trustee Walik moved, duly seconded by Trustee Schimel, to approve Ordinance 2012-04, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" by updating guidelines pertaining to violations subject to seizure and impoundment of vehicles by the Village

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: 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 ordinance change was brought to our attention for update by Detective Sergeant Jaczak because of the findings he has experienced.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Mares gave an update of the Stickney Recreation Center and the grand opening. We had a lot of people signing up for the different programs. We have a zumba classes and youth football. It is nice to see that we have an indoor facility. We are also going to do an Easter Egg Hunt. If the weather is bad on that day, we could do it inside the Stickney Recreation Center.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Fire Chief Meyer informed us that over the last six months there were two underground storage tanks discovered in the Village that were put in and over time people forget that they were there. One was at St. Pius Church. It was a several-thousand gallon storage tank. The other was at the Pershing Convalescent Home. At some point they converted to gas from heating oil. The State Fire Marshall has to get involved to make sure that surrounding land is not contaminated. Then a contractor authorized by the State Fire Marshall disposes of it properly. The tank at St. Pius was removed last fall. The convalescent home is being removed today. Usually these tanks are discovered by leaking or during an environmental survey when the building is being sold. There is no effect on surrounding property.

Chief Meyer continued educating us on activity at Waste Management located on our east side. They have a large fueling and repair facility where they also park many of their trucks. They recently installed a compressed natural gas fueling facility. They are converting all their trucks, from the rollouts to compactor garbage trucks, to run on natural gas. It is cleaner, more efficient, and they think more efficient. This facility is on line and they will be replacing their diesel trucks that produce the thick black smoke. This facility will also be available to the public to use if you use compressed natural gas in your pick-up truck or car. They will have a filling station there. This is an investment in our town by a pretty good company.

All fire department personnel are going through autism spectrum disorder training that is being put on by the Illinois Fire Service Institute. A few recent news examples were given involving autistic individuals. We are becoming more aware of this condition. The course is comprehensive. There is a test and there is a certificate issued.

Last Thursday at 11:00 p.m. the department went to Koppers because of a tank exploding. Another tank subsequently exploded. The content was a thick tar-like substance. There was very little fire although the explosion caused pipes and insulation to be scattered about. There were on the scene until 3:00 a.m. An investigation is in progress.

Police Chief Joe Kretch reported that in the past we had an evidence technician unit that was disbanded some 12-years ago. They would be sent out when there was a crime. We didn't do all the crimes; some of the bigger things had to be handled by the State or County. We were informed that this unit had been brought back last year. Two officers have been trained in it with a possible third one to be added. Officer McGuire and Officer Lochridge are our new evidence technicians. Approximately six or more weeks ago, Officer Lochridge processed a crime scene. During the process they gather evidence, take pictures and locate fingerprints. He was able to pick up some latent fingerprints. After filling out the paperwork he sent in the fingerprints to the State Police. Comparison prints were taken of the people who might have been at the crime scene. The prints were processed through the National Fingerprint Database. Officer Lochridge was informed that one of the prints was in the system. Now that individual is connected to the crime scene. For an evidence technician this is a "Gold Nugget" to be able to do something like that. Office Lochridge was introduced and recognized.

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 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 7th day of March, 2012

Daniel A. O'Reilly, Village President