

March 19, 2014

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

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Stickney met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Stickney Village Hall, 6533 W. Pershing Road, Stickney, Illinois.

The clerk Audrey McAdams asked people to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees were present:
Trustees DeLeshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White**

Clerk Audrey McAdams asked for a motion to appoint a temporary chairman pro tem.

Trustee Savopoulos moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez to appoint Trustee White as Chairman Pro Tem.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White
Nays: None**

Trustee Sleigher moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos, to approve the minutes of the previous regular session on Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

**Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:
Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White
Nays: None
Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez 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: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White
Nays: None
Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.**

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee De Leshe to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Revenue for sales tax collected for the month of December, 2013 indicating the sum of \$37,070.05.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Sleigher to accept the report from the Illinois Department of Transportation for the month of February, 2014 in the amount of \$13,781.29.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.

Trustee Sleigher moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to approve the request from Misericordia to Conduct their Jelly Belly Candy Days fundraiser event on April 25 & 26, 2014.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.

Prior to vote, the Chairman Pro Tem asked if they had all their appropriate insurance and hold harmless turned in. He was told by the clerk that all paperwork has been turned in. Trustee Sleigher asked if any other groups were going to be solicitating on the same day. He was told, "No".

CLERK'S REPORT: Information was provided about a notice from the Environmental Protection Agency of a request for a permit for the West Cook Transfer Station to add mobile wood grinding equipment to the existing construction and demolition waste recycling process. There is an open public meeting for the bid opening of the Children's Park Improvements on March 20, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Court Room. A notice was referenced on the Shen Yun Performing Arts show at the Civic Opera House on April 2-5.

TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Savopoulos to accept the treasurer's report for the month of November, 2013.

Upon the roll call, the following Trustees voted:

Ayes: De Leshe, Gomez, Lazansky, Savopoulos, Sleigher and White

Nays: None

Chairman Pro Tem White declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Deputy Police Chief Jaczak informed us that street sweeping will begin. Tickets will actually start being written on April 3. On the next two Thursdays and Fridays cars parked on the wrong sides of the street will receive a notice on their windshields. This will be written in English and Spanish. He

continued to comment that hopefully the snow tickets are done. A total of 800 were written. The Annual Report is done. Instead of last year and this year, they also included a ten and twenty year as far as crime rates. Everything is down compared to what it was.

Fire Chief Larry Meyer reminded us that he submits a request to the State Fire Marshall every year for reimbursement of training expenses. Last year they received a little over \$10,000. He needed to file this year's request by the end of last month. He received an email from the State Fire Marshall that his request was rejected because he was missing three months of reports to the Federal Government. The Chief complied by following up by proving the receipts for each report. We learned that our 2001 server wasn't backing up every night. A full description of the need for computer upgrades was then given. The data for the reimbursement was resubmitted.

Treasurer Kurt Kasnicka confirmed that the bid opening was advertised in the newspaper last week. Details were given on how the information on the bids is networked. He personally received several calls about the bid opening. He reminded us that this is funded in part by a grant.

Trustee Sleigher opened discussion on the mandatory 64-gallon recycling and yard waste containers. He felt that at least the recycling containers should be mandatory. The small blue containers are not able to contain the contents from blowing around. He recommended that we use the brown and yellow 64-gallon containers. Trustee Lazansky asked Public Works Supervisor Boyajian if it would make it easier for the workers. He replied that it slows the workers down because they have to attach the container to the mechanism. Although it is a good idea. Trustee Savopoulos said, "If you make it mandatory, what about people who can't afford it?" Trustee Sleigher said he would buy them one. Treasurer Kasnicka said the cost is approximately \$50 and ask the residents to pay \$25 of that cost. An audience member said that she heard that Waste Management was going to take us over. Supervisor Boyajian has not heard that. Trustee White remarked that if people can't afford it they probably would stop recycling. Trustee Sleigher felt they would put it in the big garbage containers. Another audience member felt that many people really need two garbage containers. An audience member testified that he has picked up the blue recycling containers that have blown in the streets. Supervisor Boyajian informed us that they have stopped buying the small blue containers. Therefore, people will have to buy the 64-gallon recycling containers because there is nothing else available. The clerk asked about structuring the payment schedule. Trustee White felt that the adjudication hearings have many people who can't pay their water bills, let alone have an attachment on it for one of these containers. Trustee Lazansky reminded us that in 1980 we paid for the alleys in such a payment structure. It was once a year for 10 years. Trustee De Leshe commented that anyone that comes in now has to buy one. He continued to say that we just shot down two tax increases and these garbage cans are more than the tax increases. Trustee White reminded us that we are also shouldering the water increase that took effect at the beginning of this year. Trustee De Leshe suggested that notices be given to those residents who have broken or cracked blue bins. They will be told that they have to get one of the new ones. Supervisor Boyajian responded to the comment about overflowing garbage

containers. He suggested that the police department hire someone part time to enforce such a situation. Trustee De Leshe felt that we are not going to hire more people to do this. We should get the people we are paying to do their jobs. Another audience member asked why the public works employees couldn't use their radios to report overflowing garbage cans. The supervisor felt that if we did that, they would have to do it for almost every house. The ordinance officer wouldn't have time to do anything else. Trustee Savolopoulos felt that if we enforce that it would happen less and less. Trustee DeLeshe suggested we educate the people. Trustee White is preparing a booklet that can be given out to residents who don't know what our ordinances are. Trustee Sleighter reminded people that we don't ask people to buy stickers for their lawn waste. If we start a stickers program it would cost more than \$25. Trustee De Leshe commented on the dumping he has seen on Ridgeland Avenue along the fence line. He foresees that businesses will start seeing their garbage cans fill up. The dumping will triple wherever they can. He suggested that we look into something else. He also suggested if people have a destroyed blue bin, they should be notified they have to get a new one. If they refuse, then site them and get them a new one. An audience member asked if there is a limit as to how many of the garbage can a person can have. Supervisor Boyajian said that the second one can be purchased. Another audience member asked if there is a cost to have the second one emptied. Trustee De Leshe commented that the apartments on Harlem Avenue dump their garbage into the garbage cans belonging to the Maple Avenue homes because their dumpsters are overflowing.

There being no further business, Trustee Lazansky moved, duly seconded by Trustee Gomez that the meeting be adjourned. Upon which the Board adopted the motion at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk

Approved by me this 2nd day of April, 2014

Deborah E. Morelli, Village Mayor