

**St. Charles Village Council  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
February 12, 2014**

Meeting called to order by President Holem at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Roe, Neumann, Breidinger, Holem, Theile, Dennis, and White.

Others present: Hal Mead, Deanna Koehler, Barry Dobis, Chris Ferris, Jim Palmer, Mandee Loomis, Jim McPhail, and Louis Butko.

Motion by Neumann, second by Roe to approve the January 8, 2014 Village Council Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Reports from Park & Recreation January 15, Planning Commission January 23, and DDA January 10 were accepted and filed.

The Berthiaume Annual Auditors Newsletter and Friends of the Shiawassee Invitation to a training workshop were accepted and filed.

Motion by Dennis, second by Neumann to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$62,975.45. Motion carried.

Motion by Breidinger, second by Neumann to pay in the outstanding wages and MERS contribution for the personnel that were out on short-term disability throughout the fiscal year. The total amount budgeted for MERS not paid was \$32,544.99 and the amount for wages not paid was \$23,593.00 for a total of \$56,137. This amount will be paid in to MERS in the appropriate group, General (01) or Police (02) as budgeted. Motion carried.

Mead went through the proposed 2014/15 Budget. Some of the projects included: a new copier and file server for the office; a roof for the salt bin; a pathway on N. Saginaw between Hession's office and Waterfowl Park; line painting in the parks and local roads; a pavilion at the dog park; plumbing at Waterfowl Park; four benches and 5 bike racks downtown; re-build the pump at the W. Walnut Street lift station; a line locator; the water tower inspection; watermain valve replacement; and a larger crack sealer.

Department reports from the Building Inspector, DPW, and Police Department were accepted and filed.

Chief Dobis introduced Chris Ferris as our new part-time police officer.

Mead updated the council on Jason Thurston's short-term disability.

Dennis passed along a thank-you to the Police Department from a local resident.

Jim Palmer thanked the council for holding the meeting at the Museum and updated them on how the museum is moving forward and awaiting three possible grants.

Louis Butko requested the police to enforce the stop sign at Beaver and Townline. He then inquired about the paving of Beaver Road and indicated he was in contact with the Saginaw County Road Commission asking them to do a traffic count on Beaver Road. Mr. Butko also questioned the budgeting of food for the ducks at Waterfowl Park when residents are to be assessed for the paving of Beaver Road when that project commences. Mead informed Mr. Butko that the \$400 annual budget for the feeding of ducks located within our Park System could not be used for paving.

Motion by Dennis, second by Neumann to adjourn at 8:17 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna L. Koehler, Village Clerk