

**St. Charles Village Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 14, 2014**

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

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

Members absent: Roe.

Others present: Hal Mead, Deanna Koehler, Jim Palmer, Terry Bailey, Cindy White, Laura Keevan, and others.

Motion by Neumann, second by Theile to approve the Village Council Minutes of April 9, 2014 as presented. Motion carried.

Parks & Recreation Minutes of April 16, 2014 were accepted and filed.

Communication from Mosquito Control spring aerial attack was accepted and filed.

Motion by Dennis, second by Breidinger to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$140,538.52. Motion carried.

President Pro-Tem Breidinger presented Doug Holem with a 40th Anniversary of Beautification Day Proclamation making May 16, 2014 Beautification Day in the Village of St. Charles.

Motion by Breidinger, second by Theile to adopt Resolution #14-4 Supporting Local Community Stabilization and Person Property Tax Reform with Raising Taxing. Motion carried.

Motion by Neumann, second by Dennis to adopt Resolution #14-5 increasing the 2014/15 Tax Assessment for Solid Waste to \$128.72 per year. Motion carried.

Motion by Neumann, second by Breidinger to pursue the renewing of the DDA for an undetermined length of time. Motion carried.

Motion by Theile, second by White to close the public meeting and open a closed session at 8:00 pm to discuss a settlement offer in the Eggers lawsuit. Motion carried.

Motion by Dennis, second by White to conclude the closed session and re-open the public meeting at 8:05 pm. Motion carried.

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

Mr. Palmer updated council on the museum's fundraising efforts to purchase a caboose. They have collected approximately 25% of the \$35,000 needed for the project. He also updated on Memorial Day activities, which include "History in Motion" being at the museum on Monday, May 26th.

Mead updated council on the VFW's decision to surrender their Charter to the American Legion. There will be more updates at future meetings.

Holem let the council know that the Tri-Township Fire Department has expressed an interest in attending Council Meetings and taking over responsibility for watering Beautification Day plantings in an effort to contribute to the Village.

Motion by Breidinger, second by Dennis to adjourn at 8:32 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna L. Koehler, Village Clerk