

**St. Charles Village Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 10, 2014**

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

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

Members absent: Breidinger and White.

Others present: Hal Mead, Deanna Koehler, Mike Olson, Jeff Woods, Mandilee Loomis, Albert Presidio, Bob Loomis, Cecil Szepanski, Charlotte Parliament, Dick Browne, Lewis Gould, Pat Millard, Walt Kushion, Arlene Kocur, Don Schlager, Evelyn Simon, and others.

Motion by Neumann, second by Roe to approve the August 13, 2014 Village Council Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The Parks and Recreation Minutes of August 20 were accepted and filed.

The Council received a request from the Underground Railroad to use Coal Miners' Park on October 18 to hold "Cycle to End the Cycle" event.

Motion by Dennis, second by Neumann to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$75,591.22. Motion carried.

Doug Holem acknowledged eleven nonagenarians (people over 90 years old) with a performance highlighting the history of St. Charles in cooperation with the St. Charles Historical Museum, the St. Charles Skits and Drama Club, and the Village of St. Charles.

Mead updated the council on a new stop sign at the corner of Beaver and Townline roads. The Michigan State Police is required to complete a study to approve the placement. Mead will update after the study is completed.

A communication was received from the Freshwater Future Associate Director asking communities to voluntarily stop using coal tar sealcoats on driveways and parking lots affecting nearby waterways, endangering aquatic life, and contaminating sediments. The Village does not use coal tar sealants and will encourage residents to use an asphalt sealcoat that does not contain PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons).

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

Doug Holem inquired about the possibility of budgeting for new/additional playground equipment for Coal Miners' Park.

Motion by Theile, second by Dennis to adjourn at 8:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna L. Koehler, Village Clerk