

**St. Charles Village Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
November 11, 2020**

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

Members present: Dennis, Hoerner, Kutz, McPhail, Neumann, L. Theile and S. Theile

Members absent: None.

Others present: Donald Ackerman, Hartmann Aue, Julie Church, Scott Crofoot, Jeanne Marcello and Jennifer Rosser-Nesbit.

Motion by Neumann, second by McPhail to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

John Olson from Spicer updated Council that the Fulton and Hosmer water main replacement project was completed. The next pressing issue is the Drinking Water Asset Management Plan. Olson will be working with Village Manager Aue on a grant from EGLE in the amount of \$400,000-\$410,000, This is a 100% grant need by the Village. Aue also informed Council that he has been working with John Kaczor from Municipal Analytics to update the numbers Kaczor presented to Council back in 2019 to secure bond proposal to get to the USDA-RD.

Motion by Kutz, second by Neumann to approve the October 14, 2020 Village Council minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Neumann, second by S. Theile to accept and file the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority, November 6, 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by Neumann, second by Dennis to accept and file the Commission report from the Parks & Recreation Committee, October 21, 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by Neumann, second by S. Theile to accept and file the Commission report from the Planning Commission, October 22, 2020. Motion carried.

The calendar of events from Saginaw County Parks & Recreation was accepted and filed.

Motion by Dennis, second by L. Theile to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$225,199.65. Motion carried.

The 2021 Village Council meeting schedule was presented to Council for their review. Meetings are always held the second Wednesday of every month at 7 P.M. in the Village Council chambers.

Motion by Neumann, second by McPhail to accept the Village Council 2021 meeting schedule as presented. Motion carried.

The St. Charles Old Fashioned Christmas was discussed. The date has been set for Saturday, December 12th starting with the tree lighting in Coal Miners' Park and ending with the parade downtown at 6:30 PM. Santa will be the guest of honor. There are currently two organizations that have signed up to have a float in the parade and just over 20 of the 35 Christmas trees have been sold. There was discussion about the concerns of a parade, during this uncertain time and whether it was a good idea or not. Council decided to leave it up to the discretion of Aue to decide when the cut off date to have or cancel Old Fashioned Christmas due to limited participation.

Aue provided Council with a copy of the ad that has been run for the past few years in the Michigan Trails Magazine. A 1/8-page ad was approved by D.D.A. this year.

Aue thanked James McPhail and Diana Kutz for their service to the Village and the many hours they dedicated as Trustees of the Village Council. Both were presented with Thank You cards signed by Aue and the Village staff. Aue also informed Council of the resignation of Christine Savage from the Planning Commission. Council and Aue all agreed she will be missed.

Departmental reports from DPW, Police Department and Building Inspector/Code Enforcement were accepted and filed.

During public comment Kutz congratulated the new members of the Village Council and asked for them to take care of our Village.

Motion by L. Theile, second by S. Theile to adjourn at 7:43 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer L. Rosser-Nesbit, Village Clerk