

**St. Charles Village Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
October 13, 2021**

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

Members present: Dennis, Harris, Hoerner, Neumann, Nesbit and L. Theile.

Members absent: S. Theile.

Others present: Don Ackerman, Hartmann Aue, Terry Bailey, Mitchell Jacqmain, Jeanne Marcello, John Olson and Jennifer Rosser-Nesbit.

Motion by Neumann, second by Harris to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

During public comment resident Terry Bailey asked who pulled the perennials downtown in front of the electronic sign?

John Olson introduced Mitchell Jacqmain, an up-and-coming Project Manager from Spicer, who will be working with him on some of the projects around town. Olson updated Council on the projects Spicer was working on and that Spicer crews will be out walking around town in the next few weeks working on the Drinking Water Asset Management Plan. Olson also asked if over the next few months if Council would like for him to spend 5-10 minutes talking about asset management plans since there were a few new Council members. Harris and Nesbit both said yes.

Motion by L. Theile, second by Harris to approve the September 8, 2021 Village Council minutes from as presented. Motion carried.

The Commission and Committee reports from the Downtown Development Authority, October 1, 2021 and Planning Commission, September 16, 2021 were accepted and filed.

Communications from The Review Magazine, Snowmobiler & ORV Magazine and Play in the Parks were accepted and filed.

Motion by Dennis, second by L. Theile to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$402,079.48. Motion carried.

Aue received a Michigan Economic Development Corporation request to establish an Industrial Development District (IDD) for the Thompson Boat Works plant located at 7535 Martin Rd. If established this would help to draw in new suitors by utilizing tax incentives to enable renovation and expansion of the facilities. In order to establish an IDD a public hearing would need to be held at the next meeting along with the enclosed resolution passed. A notice of the public hearing would need to be mailed to the current owners and published just once in the local newspaper.

Motion by Neumann, second by Nesbit to set a public hearing for November 10, 2021 to create an Industrial Development District for 7535 Martin Rd. Motion carried.

In the past the suggested Trick-Or-Treat hours have been held 5:30-7:30 PM on October 31st.

Motion by Neumann, second by Nesbit to set the suggested Trick-Or-Treat hours for Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Motion carried.

Last year, the Old-Fashioned Christmas tree lighting was held on the same day as the parade and worked out quite well.

Motion by Neumann, second by L. Theile to set the 5th Annual Old Fashioned Christmas Tree Lighting for Saturday, December 11th, 2021 at 5 PM with the Parade following at 6:30 PM. Motion carried.

Spicer and the STC DPW went over the logistics of the Phase I Water System Improvement and walked the project details with those who know the system in detail. Changes were made, and included in the Owner's Work Directive Change- Phase I Water System Improvements work order 130263SG2021.

Motion by Neumann, second by Harris to approve Spicer Work Order Directive Change- Phase I Water System Improvements in the amount of \$15,250. Motion carried.

Based on Village Manager Hartmann Aue's evaluation at the last meeting, Council has decided it would vote to increase Aue's annual salary to \$65,000 effective September 8, 2021. Evaluations would also be just once a year, in September, and Aue would remain on the 2% annual increase along with all other current Village employees according to the contract.

Motion by Neumann, second by Nesbit to approve the First Amendment to Village Manager Contract increasing Hartmann Aue's annual salary to \$65,000 effective September 8, 2021. Motion carried.

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

During public comment Aue informed Council that 0 bids were received for the 12000 Brant Road parcel and 2 bids have been received for the 2012 Tahoe. Aue also updated Council that Friday would be the dry run for the Safe Routes to Schools and Saturday was the Alex Schofield Concert in the Park. Aue had received positive comments on October 9th's Hometown Day downtown and would like to possibly tie in the last day of the Farmers' Market with Hometown Day next year.

Motion by Harris, second by Dennis to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer L. Rosser-Nesbit, Village Clerk