

**St. Charles Village Council
Minutes of Regular Meeting
June 8, 2022**

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

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

Members absent: None.

Others present: Donald Ackerman, Hartmann Ave, Julie Church, Scott Crofoot, Tiffany Erskine, D. Griffus, John Griffus, Laura Sue Holcomb, Mitch Jacqmain, Debra Kauten, Jayme Kendall, Jeanne Marcello, Steve Powlus, Marie Roe, Jennifer Rosser-Nesbit, Gary Smith, Regina Smith and others.

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

There was no public comment.

Mitch Jacqmain from Spicer updated Council on projects Spicer is working on for the Village.

Motion by Dennis, second by L. Theile to approve the May 11, 2022 Village Council minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Harris, second by S. Theile to accept and file the Downtown Development Authority, June 3, 2022 and Parks & Recreation Committee, May 18, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

The Review Magazine was accepted and filed.

Motion by Dennis, second by L. Thiele to approve the payment of claims in the amount of \$158,004.31. Motion carried.

The DDA has approved to purchase an ADA compliant kayak launch in Lumberjack Park. The State Bank has committed \$10,000 to the kayak launch and at the Parks & Recreation Committee meeting it was suggested that \$2,000 be allocated from the Parks budget to the kayak launch.

Motion by Dennis, second by Nesbit to approve the allocation of \$2,000 from the Parks budget for the new kayak launch in Lumberjack Park. Motion carried.

The Parks & Recreation Committee has recommended to approve \$750 to update the signage in Coal Miners Park to bring continuity with the new ones in town. The signage being updated includes the disc golf course, the Roy Fulton Memorial Roller Rink, and the Coal Miners' Park entrance sign.

Motion by Harris, second by Dennis to approve \$750 to update signage in Coal Miner's Park. Motion carried.

In 1904 the J H Somers Coal Company's Subdivision was platted and recorded. The recorded plat dedicated and granted to the public certain alleys within the subdivision and the Village of St. Charles accepted the alleys running across Hanchett Street. MCL 5600.266(1)(c) and MCL 560.256 provide that the Village may by resolution vacate an alley that it has accepted. The Village of St. Charles Council desires to vacate the alleys running across Hanchett Street as public alleys in order to protect the health, safety, comfort, convenience and general welfare of the residents of the J H Somers Company's Subdivision and the community at large.

Motion by Nesbit, second by S. Theile to approve Resolution 22-7 Vacating the Alleys in the J H Somers Coal Company's Subdivision. Roll call vote: Dennis-yes; Harris-yes; Hoerner-yes; Nesbit-yes; L. Theile-yes and S. Theile-yes. Motion carried.

Available through the MDOT Transportation Economic Development Category B Program is a grant available up to \$250,000. The Village of St. Charles with the help of Spicer wishes to apply for this grant to mill, crush, shape and repave Hosmer, Clinton and E. Belle Streets in conjunction with the proposed Phase I Water Main Improvements Project.

Motion by S. Theile, second by Harris to approve Resolution 22-8 Authorizing the application for the MDOT Category B Grant in the amount of \$250,000. Roll call vote: Dennis-yes; Harris-yes; Hoerner-yes; Nesbit-yes; L. Theile-yes and S. Theile-yes. Motion carried.

Three candidates Jayme Kendall, Steve Powlus and Maureen Roe have applied for the vacancy left by Christine Neumann. The vacant seat term expires in November 2022. Each candidate was given a chance to speak about their strengths and what they can bring to the Village.

Motion by Nesbit, second by Dennis to appoint Maureen Roe to the vacant Village Council Trustee position. Roll call vote: Dennis-yes; Harris-no; Hoerner-yes; Nesbit-yes; L. Theile-yes and S. Theile-no. Motion carried.

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

Debra Kauten spoke to the Village Council asking for their support in her campaign to run as Saginaw County Circuit Court Judge.

John Griffus thanked Julie Church for the help she provided to he and his wife.

Tiffany Erskine thanked Julie church for the help she provided to her family and recommended the board looking into have a School Resource Officer at the school.

Laura Sue Holcomb advised Council and those in attendance that there will be four vacancies on the St. Charles School Board of Education this November.

Motion by S. Theile, second by Nesbit to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer L. Rosser-Nesbit, Village Clerk