



MINUTES

**Monday November 17, 2014
7:00 P.M., Barber School
102 West Exchange Street
Spring Lake, Michigan**

1. Call to Order

President **MacLachlan** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present: Bennett, MacLachlan, Meyers, Miller, Nauta, Powers, Van Strate.

Absent: None

4. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by **Bennett**, support from **Miller**, to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: 7

No: 0

5. Consent Agenda

A. Approved the payment of the bills, checks numbered 56052 - 56147, in the amount of \$236,655.06.

B. Approved the minutes for the October 20, 2014 Council meeting.

C. Approved Resolution 2014-10 approving the Competitive Grant Assistance Program for shared police services.

D. Approved Resolution 2014-11 approving the Competitive Grant Assistance Program for space sharing at Village Hall.

E. Approved obtaining engineering and construction services estimates from Moore & Bruggink to provide for the renovation of the River Street sanitary sewer lift station.

- F. Approved an early payment to MERS (Police Division) for the Unfunded Accrued Liability an amount of \$49,045 of which \$44,367 will come from fund 662 (Police Equipment Fund) and \$2,339 in cash from both Spring Lake and Ferrysburg.
- G. Approved budget amendments as attached.
- H. Approved Resolution 2014-12 regarding an unfunded mandate regarding disabled veterans' property tax obligations.
- I. Approved an agreement with Marina Bay, LLC to construct a non-motorized pathway per their PUD agreement.
- J. Approved opting out of the yearly PEG Channel contribution.
- K. Approved the placement of Championship signage at the Village limits for the Girls' Golf team.
- L. Approved hiring Moore and Bruggink to provide engineering services for the Tri-Cities Connector Trail Maintenance & Improvements for an amount not to exceed \$14,500 of which \$3,494 will be contributed by the Village, \$3,758 by the City of Ferrysburg and \$7,247 by the City of Grand Haven per the Maintenance Allocation Agreement.

On a motion by **Bennett**, support from **Miller**, to approve the consent agenda.

Yes: 7 No: 0

6. General Business

A. Economic Development Report

Mr. Dave Miller, Vice President of Economic Development for the Chamber of Commerce, was present to discuss the 2014 Economic Development Report.

Mr. Dave Miller gave Council the 2013/2014 Economic Development Report explaining that this report covered the Chamber's activity for the last year. Mr. Miller went on to explain the different services that the Chamber provides and how these services had helped local businesses in the last year. Mr. Miller reported that the Chamber assists businesses in identifying available buildings and property and help with zoning and permit issues. Mr. Miller said they also have Roundtable to share best practices, general area business conditions, networking and problem solving. Mr. Miller shared that they had resurrected the Manufacturers Council targeting the meeting to Plant Managers who are closer to the

day-today issues. Mr. Miller said his focus was on Manufacturing, since they produce the most jobs, but that they provide services to all businesses including; business start up assistance, financial packaging/loan assistance, skilled trades training funding, leadership programs as well as many other programs.

7. Department Reports

A. Village Manager

Manager **Burns** shared that complaints from the first snowfall had already started to come in and that the DPW was running at full speed clearing the snow.

B. Clerk/Treasurer

C. OCSO/911

Sgt. **Kik** reported that 2 of the part-time Deputies, Forest Sabo and Brian Tucker, had been hired for full time duties, with Deputy Sabo assigned to Coopersville and Deputy Dyer had not received his assignment yet. Sgt. Kik said that Steve Thayer and Anthony Starhia had been hired as part-time Deputies to replace them.

D. Fire

E. DPW

F. Sewer

G. Minutes from Various Board & Committees

1. Planning Commission

8. Old Business and Reports by the Village Council

No old business to discuss at this time.

9. New Business and Reports by Village Council

No new business to discuss at this time.

10. Status Report: Village Attorney

No report from the Village Attorney.

11. Statement of Citizens

Darcy Dye, 114 N. Fruitport Road, said she felt the vote from last spring had been just thrown out and that there had been many closed door meetings in a State with an "Open Meetings Act". Mrs. Dye urged the Council to take time and discuss the long term ramification of decisions they will make regarding the

Spring Lake Township's request to re-zone their property at Fruitport Road and Savidge Street

12. Adjournment

On a motion by **VanStrate**, support from **Miller**, Village Council adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

James MacLachlan, Village President

Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk