



MINUTES

**Monday January 19, 2015
7:00 P.M., Barber School
102 West Exchange Street
Spring Lake, Michigan**

1. Call to Order

President Pro-Tem **Bennett** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

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

Absent: MacLachlan & Meyers

On a motion by **Miller**, seconded by **VanStrate**, to excuse the absence of Council Members **MacLachlan & Meyers**.

Yes: 5 No: 0

4. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by **VanStrate**, seconded by **Miller**, to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: 5 No: 0

5. Consent Agenda

A. Approved payment of the bills (checks numbered 56226-56350) in the amount of \$801,945.52.

B. Approved the minutes for the December 15, 2014 Council meeting.

C. Approved the use of Central Park by the Spring Lake Rotary for the 4th Annual Snow Jam on February 21, 2015.

D. Approved the Sentenced Work Abatement Program (SWAP) Services Agreement with the Ottawa County Sheriff's Office for 2015.

- E. Approved budget amendments presented by Finance Director Marv Hinga.
- F. Approved adoption of the CBDDA by-laws as recommended by the CBDDA Board.
- G. Approved reappointment of Mr. Lou Draeger to the CBDDA for a term expiring November, 2018.
- H. Approved the 2015 meeting dates for work session & Council meetings.

**WORK SESSIONS
VILLAGE HALL
UPSTAIRS CONFERENCE ROOM ~ 7:00 p.m.**

January 12
February 9
March 9
April 13
May 11
June 8
July 13
August 10
September 14
October 12
November 9
December 14

**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETINGS
BARBER SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTER
102 WEST EXCHANGE STREET ~ 7:00 p.m.**

January 19
February 16
March 16
April 20
May 18
June 15
July 20
August 17
September 21
October 19
November 16
December 21

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

Yes: 5 No: 0

6. General Business

A. Audit Presentation

Mr. Doug Vredeveld, Vredeveld Haefner, gave a presentation on the Village's Fiscal Year 2013/2014 audit.

B. Fire Department Business Plan Presentation

Fire Chief, Brian Sipe, presented the Spring Lake Fire Department's newly adopted business plan.

C. Barber School Change-in-Use Policy

With the pending proposal of sharing space with Spring Lake Township, Barber School would serve as the meeting space for both Council and the SLT Board, both Planning Commissions, both ZBA boards and various other boards and committees. The finance committee has discussed the possibility of not leasing Barber School for community functions (unless the organization is non-profit) in order to accommodate the township's need and reduce wear and tear on the facility. Potential for-profit lessees would be referred to various businesses within the community that serve as banquet facilities or gathering spaces.

Manager **Burns** read public comments on behalf of residents that were not able to attend the meeting. These residents asked that Barber School remain a community center.

- Jay White, 111 Mason
- Carol Michaels, 16609 152nd Ave.

The following residents spoke in favor of keeping Barber School as a community center and suggested raising the rental rates and being more diligent in keeping security deposits for those renters that do not follow the rules and/or damage the building or its contents in any way.

- Tracy Boon, 229 Meridian
- William Filber, 211 N Jackson
- Sandy VandenBosch, 702 Winter
- Carol Michaels, 16609 152nd Ave
- Kent VandenBosch, 624 E Savidge
- Karen VandenBosch, 624 E Savidge
- Bill Venhuizen, 509 Buena Vista

- Diane Schindlbeck,
- JoAnne Unkovskoy, 220 River
- Michele Yasenak, 505 E Savidge
- Karen Streeting, 417 South St
- Stacey Venhuizen, 509 Buena Vista

After listening to public comment, Council discussed keeping Barber School open as a community center and will have further discussions on how to subsidize or offset costs.

On a motion by, **VanStrate**, seconded by **Miller**, to continue to rent Barber School to the community, making no changes to the usage.

Yes: 5 No: 0

7. Department Reports

- A. Village Manager**
- B. Clerk/Treasurer/Finance Director**
- C. OCSO**
- D. 911**
- E. Fire**
- F. DPW**
- G. Water**
- H. Sewer**
- I. Minutes from Various Board & Committees**
 - 1) Parks & Recreation**
 - 2) CBDDA**

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, asked for a date correction on the Agenda.

12. Adjournment

On a motion by **VanStrate**, seconded by **Miller**, Village Council adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

David Bennett, President Pro-Tem

Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk