

**Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, March 14, 2005**

<p>The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, March 14, 2005, convened at 8:30 p.m. at 111 E. Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszcak presiding.</p>	<p>Meeting Convened</p>
<p>Present: Plaszcak, Pioch, Larcinese, Wilhelmi, McIntosh and Rohr and Basinger excused. Also present: Village Manager Bradley Noeldner, Administrative Assistant Missy Leonard, Department of Public Services Director John Small and Chief of Police Russell Reynnells. Riley excused. As corrected 3-28-05.</p>	<p>Members Present</p>
<p>Motion by Larcinese, supported by Wilhelmi, to approve the February 28, 2005 minutes of the regular meeting as presented. All members voting yes, motion carried.</p>	<p>Approved Minutes</p>
<p>Motion by Larcinese, supported by Rohr, to approve accounts payable for \$519,841.71. All members voting yes, motion carried. It was noted that the next accounts payable committee will be Wilhelmi and Pioch, not Wilhelmi and McIntosh.</p>	<p>Accounts Payable</p>
<p>Chief of Police Russell Reynnells was pleased to recognize citizens James Alton, David Barnes, and Debra Ferguson for their bravery during an armed robbery at the Felpausch Grocery Store. When officers arrived on the scene, Alton and Barnes had the man restrained on the ground. The suspect was later found guilty of two counts of armed robbery. A photo was taken of Barnes and Ferguson with Village President Plaszcak and Chief of Police Reynnells. Citizen Alton was unable to attend the meeting.</p>	<p>Public Comment</p> <p>Citizen Recognition</p>
<p>A concerned citizen attended the meeting to voice his concerns of an ongoing problem of meth being produced in his neighborhood. He has been in continuous contact with village police office concerning this matter. Russ Reynnells assured all that the problem is under investigation. Chief Reynnells instructed the citizen to keep calling the Police Department if he notices suspicious activity; also officers will continue to monitor the neighborhood.</p>	<p>Shawn Klinger</p>
<p>Motion by Rohr, supported by McIntosh, to adopt a fee for a coin operated meter at DPS. The cost will be \$.75 a minute and the meter will produce approximately 125 gallons a minute. The meter has not yet arrived. All members voting yes, motion carried.</p>	<p>Coin Operated Hydrant Fees</p>
<p>Wilhelmi reported on Parks and Recreation. If all goes well, the repairs on the dam will be completed by mid May. The Miller Street Park equipment is repaired and repainted. Currently quotes are being gathered on the Brigg's Pond project to put lights on the bridge and path areas. This will create a new effect by projecting light onto the water. Staff is in process of looking</p>	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Parks & Recreation</p>

into grants to start on the Tyler Field Skateboard Park project.

Rohr reported on the Housing Commission. A Miller Court Handbook has been adopted as well as an informational DVD. Those applying to move into the facilities will be able to utilize both for rules and regulations of Miller Court Apartments. A meeting was held with the residents. 68 out of 83 attended. More positive than negative feedback came from the residents. Rohr will be supplying a pamphlet to the council that explains about Miller Court and what public housing has to offer to people.

**Miller
Court
Housing**

Pioch reported on the Fire Board. The Department is looking into getting new radios inside the new truck. The men are having trouble hearing each other. The payoff on the truck is \$369,533.17. The check will be signed when Riley returns from vacation.

**Fire
Board**

Pioch also reported on Wine & Harvest Festival. The artwork has been approved for brochures and t-shirts.

**Wine &
Harvest**

Plaszczak encouraged all to attend a Michigan Municipal League meeting on 4-29-05 in Decatur.

**Council
Comment
Plaszczak**

Wilhelmi informed council that the **next Knight's** of Columbus Tootsie Roll Collection will be around the end of October. **As corrected 3-28-05.**

Wilhelmi

McIntosh asked if the drainage system for the new home complex on south side of I-94 was sufficient and also wondered if the Village of Paw Paw sign was properly placed on 60th avenue. John Small assured her both were accurate.

McIntosh

Larcinese commented that both the middle and high school Science Olympiad Teams took 1st place at the Regional and State Competition.

Larcinese

Noeldner provided an update on the M.E.D.C. grants and the CMAQ Project-Michigan Avenue. Also informed the council that the Planning Commission had set a public hearing on March 24, 2005, to receive public input regarding the proposed amendments to the sign ordinance. Finally, Noeldner updated the council on the MRWA Water & Waste Water Training & Technical Assistance Conference he attended recently in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

**Managers
Report**

Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,
Roman Plaszczak

Village Treasurer,
Missy Leonard

