1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, January 13, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Pioch presiding.

2. Present: (President Plaszczak excused), President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh, Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr and Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Clerk Tapper swore newly appointed Trustee Nadine Jarvis into office.

4. Motion by Rohr supported by Larcinese to approve the amended agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Larcinese supported by Rohr, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of December 23, 2013. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Pioch to approve accounts payable in the amount of $533,317.43. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Rohr.

7. Motion by Rohr, supported by Larcinese to set the public hearing on January 27, 2014 for the purpose of taking comments on establishing a PILOT agreement for the Berkshire Paw Paw development as requested by General Capital Group. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Flores to enter into the agreement with the Paw Paw Quick Response for 2014 year and authorize contribution payment of $6,000 for providing such services and further to authorize President Pro-tem Michael Pioch to execute the agreement in the President’s absence. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. No report.

10. Rohr reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; drafted PILOT agreement with Berkshire Paw Paw.

11. No report

12. No report

13. No report

14. Larcinese reported the Fire Board. Items discussed included; response times and new chairperson discussion.
15. No report


17. No report.

18. No report.

19. No report

20. No report.

21. Rohr commented on the Village’s effort on the snow removal.

22. McIntosh commented on the Miller Court annual dinner went well.

23. Motion by Flores supported by McIntosh to close the regular session to enter into Executive Session with Village Attorney for purposes allowed under MCL 15.268(h) at 7:46. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, McIntosh, Pioch, Larcinese, Rohr and Flores all members voting yes, motion carried.

24. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to re-enter regular session at 8:17. Roll call vote; Jarvis, McIntosh, Pioch, Larcinese, Rohr and Flores all members present voting yes, motion carried.

25. Nielsen provided an update discussion regarding the ongoing events with Paw Paw Township. Nielsen noted the Township requested the Village stop using the meeting room at the Township due to unforeseen circumstances. Nielsen also updated the Council with the ongoing discussion regarding the Franchise Agreement with the Township in reference to the Sewer System.

26. Motion by Wilhelmi, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President Pro Tem,                          Village Clerk,  
Michael Pioch                                         Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, January 29, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Wednesday, January 29, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Pro Tem Pioch presiding.

2. Present: (President Plaszcak excused), President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh, (Nadine Jarvis excused), Donne Rohr and Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Flores supported by McIntosh to approve the amended agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh supported by Flores, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of January 13, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to approve the minutes of the closed session meeting minutes of January 13, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr, supported by McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $205,188.95. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Pioch.

7. Motion by Rohr supported by Flores to close the regular session at 7:38 and enter into a public hearing to take comment on Ordinance 442 which considers a PILOT for residential development at 306 East Michigan. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Nielsen provided to the Council an updated draft of Resolution number 14-01. A resolution of community support for the Berkshire – Paw Paw Senior Housing Development. The Council also reviewed a draft of Ordinance 442; Tax Exemption. Nielsen also provided a memo from Rebecca Harvey, Planning Consultant regarding the project.

9. Sig Strautmanis from General Capital Group was in attendance to answer questions regarding the request for Berkshire – Paw Paw. Strautmanis thanked the Council and the community for the support of the project.

10. Pat Winston, Paw Paw Housing Commission was in attendance to express her support for the project and looked forward to the positive addition to the community.

11. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to close the public hearing at 7:55 and to reenter regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
12. Motion by McIntosh supported by Rohr to approve the request the use Village Street and Sidewalks on May 8 – 10, 2014 for the McKinley – Wilson Hall Post 2532 for the conduct of their annual Poppy Day Sales. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to approve and adopt Ordinance 442 with the amendments. The Ordinance would be establishing a PILOT agreement for the proposed development at 306 East Michigan Avenue. Roll Call vote; Rohr, Larcinese, Pioch, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh supported by Flores to approve and adopt Resolution 14-01 with amendments, of Community Support for the Berkshire Paw Paw Senior Housing Development. Roll Call vote; Flores, Rohr, Larcinese, Pioch, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

15. Rohr reported the Committee met. Items discussed; PILOT and Berkshire Paw Paw Community Support information.

16. Flores reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; report from Chief Marshall, Leonard Lux and water main break

17. No report

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report.


22. No report.

23. No report.

24. No report

25. Larcinese report the Committee met. The committee heard the report from Jennifer Jones, Restorative Lake Services. Larcinese noted the reported needed to come to the full Council for review.

26. Rohr commented on the Village’s effort on the snow removal.

27. Larcinese commented on the award Nielsen had received from the Local Municipal Managers Associations.
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28. Flores commented on the meeting with State of Michigan Rep Aric Nesibitt regarding the Village of Paw Paw proposed street projects and implantations of the Village Master Plan ideas

Flores

29. Motion by Flores, supported by Rohr, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00p.m.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President Pro Tem,                         Village Clerk,
Michael Pioch                                      Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, February 10, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, February 10, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, (Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh, Nadine Jarvis excused), Donne Rohr and Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall excused, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr to approve the amended agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr supported by Flores, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of January 27, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Pioch, supported by Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $494,142.71. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Jarvis and Larcinese.

6. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the request by the Red Arrow Ministries to use Tyler Field and Village facilities for the 5th Annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 19, 2014 between the hours of 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Flores supported by Pioch to accept the Village Presidents recommendation and appoint Mark Bahnson to fill the remainder of a term serving through March 31, 2015 on the Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority Board. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Flores excused at 7:40

9. Jennifer and Brandon Visser were in attendance to present the Council with an overview of the Drop. The Paw Paw Youth Center is an operating 501C3 with the Red Arrow Ministries. The Drop has been in the Village for the last two years and has been growing since they open. The Drop is a volunteer organization.

10. Amy and Douglas Craddock were in attendance to present the Council with the proposed 2014-2015 budget along with an overview of this year’s Wine & Harvest Festival. Amy discussed the events this year that were successful and discussed the events that would not be coming back for next years.

11. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; proposed budget 2014-2015 along with amendments.

12. No report.
13. Plaszczak reported the Parks and Recreation Committee met. Items discussed included; weed boat improvements, review bids and Maple Island playground equipment improvements.

14. No report.

15. No report


17. No report.

18. No report

19. No report.

20. No report.

21. Council thanked Small and the Department of Public Services for their continued efforts with snow maintenance and removal. The Council also expressed their appreciations of the efforts of the DPS department repairing the water main on South Kalamazoo Street.

22. Nielsen commented the Council will be presented with the proposed budget for 2014-2015 along with amendment at the February 24, 2014

23. Motion by Pioch, supported by Rohr, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:31p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                                Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, February 24, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, February 24, 2014, convened at 7:35 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.  

Meeting Convened

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, (Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh, Donne Rohr excused), Nadine Jarvis and Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.  

Members Present

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to approve the amended agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of February 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

Approved Minutes

5. Motion by Jarvis, supported by Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $494,142.71. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Rohr and Flores.  

Accounts Payable

6. Motions by Pioch, supported by Flores to closed the regular session at 7:38 and enter into a public hearing to take comments regarding Budget Resolution 14-02. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

Public Hearing

Budget Res 14-02

7. Nielsen provided the Council with an overview of Budget Resolution 14-02. Nielsen commented the resolution included the amendments for fiscal year 2013-2014 and proposals for 2014-2015. Nielsen indicated the approval will include transfer of monies between funds and adopts the new fiscal year.

Budget Hearing


9. Nielsen commented on the Water and Sewer Funds were showing amounts of improvements with Revenue based upon the rates that took effect January 2014. Nielsen also commented on the improvement of the Motor Pool Fund.

10. Let the record show no public comment received regarding the Res 14-02.

New Business

Budget Res 14-02

11. Motion by Pioch, supported by Jarvis to close the public hearing at 8:17 and re-enter the regular session. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by Pioch, supported by Flores to approve and adopt Resolution 14-02 with amendments and corrections. Resolution 14-02 outlines fiscal year 2013-2014 amendments along with fiscal year 2014-2015 budget adoption. Roll call vote;
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Jarvis, Flores, Pioch and Plaszczak all voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Flores, supported by Pioch to approve and accept the Parks and Recreation Committee recommendation and award the bid for the Amphitheatre improvement to BCI Construction for a price not to exceed $244,665.00. Roll call vote; Jarvis, Flores, Pioch and Plaszczak all voting yes, motion carried. 

14. Motions by Jarvis, supported by Pioch to approved and support the concept for the SWMPC and the MDNR of a county trail along the abandoned West Michigan Railroad from the Village of Paw Paw to Lawrence. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Motion Pioch, supported by Flores to approve and accept the recommendation of the Village President and appoint Sid Shank to the DDA Board for the reminder of a March 31, 2015 term. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Pioch reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; proposed budget 2014-2015 along with amendments.

17. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; snow removal, sidewalks, cameras, dog ordinance and staff updates.

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report.


22. No report.

23. No report.

24. No report.

25. No report.

26. Council thanked Small and the Department of Public Services for their continued efforts with snow maintenance and removal. The Council also expressed their appreciations of the efforts of the DPS, Police Department and Village Hall for their efforts.
27. Motion by Flores, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                                 Christopher Tapper
The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, March 10, 2014, convened at 7:34 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh excused), Donne Rohr, Nadine Jarvis and Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr to approve the amended agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of February 24, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Flores, supported by Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $285,639.23. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Pioch and Larcinese.

Melissa Dahlinger, Principal Paw Paw Elementary School and Chief Marshall presented to the Council (TEAM) Teaching Educating and Mentoring. Chief Marshall explained the importance of the program and how the Department with the help from Dahlinger was implementing the curriculum. Marshall outline why the program was key to the development of good relationships between kids and law enforcement. The lesson plans were set up for 30 minutes classes and provided a reality of lessens plans. Dahlinger thanked Marshall for presenting the idea to the Elementary School and noted the teachers and other have provided lots of positive feedback.

The TEAM program’s goal is to unite educator’s students, and law enforcement to play an integral part in preventing crime. The philosophy is that while working together as a team we can create relationships and be united in protecting children from becoming victims of crime.

Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to allow and grant permission to the Paw Paw Area Chamber of Commerce the use of Village Streets and sidewalks as requested on July 18 and 19, 2014 for the annual Paw Paw Days Events. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Motion by Pioch supported by Jarvis to allow and grant permission to the Paw Paw Wine and Harvest Festival Committee the use of Village Streets and sidewalks, parks, and parking lots as request for the annual WHF September 4 to 7, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed; continuing to review street designs for Michigan and Kalamazoo.
11. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; assistant manager position and request for possibility of property sale.

12. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; snow removal, sidewalks, cameras, dog ordinance and staff updates.

13. Jarvis reported the Park and Recreation Committee met. Items discussed included; weed boat update and amphitheater update.

14. No report.

15. No report


17. No report.

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report.

21. No report

22. Motion by Flores, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                         Christopher Tapper

Finance & Administration
Public Services
Parks and Rec.
DDA
Fire Board
Historical Comm.
Housing Commission
Planning Commission
RLF
WHF
Maple Lake
& NR &E
Adjournment
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, March 24, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, March 24, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh and Marcos Flores excused), Donne Rohr, Nadine Jarvis. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Larcinese to approve the agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of March 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Rohr, supported by Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $403,697.73. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Pioch and Larcinese.

6. Joe Parman and several members of the Two Rivers Coalition were in attendance to present the Village Council with a donation check of $5,000 for the Village of Paw Paw efforts helping educating local farmers regarding watershed conservation. Parman noted the donation was in collaboration with the Village applying for a 319 Grant assisting with water quality education. Parman thanked the Council for the assistance from the Maple Lake and Natural Resources & Environmental Committee efforts.

7. Chief Marshall presented to the Council his annual department report along with a list of recognitions for department staff.

8. Motion by Pioch supported by Larcinese to adopt and approve the amendment to the “Service Agreement for Interconnection and Local Delivery between AEP Service Corporation and the Village of Paw Paw” dated March 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Nielsen noted the discussion would be place on a future agenda.

10. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve and accept the Village President recommendation of the annual appointments listed in the agenda memo dated March 24, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis to allow the Eastern Van Buren County Crop Walk to use Village streets and sidewalks on April 27, 2014 for their annual Crop Walk and to allow placement of signs as requested. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
12. Motion by Pioch supported Jarvis to approve and accept the proposal to engage Night Magic as the fireworks vendor for the annual fireworks show on September 5, 2014 for a price not to exceed $7,000. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; assistant manager position and request for possibility of property sale.

14. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; sidewalks, cameras, dog ordinance and staff updates.

15. No report.

16. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; report from Police Department, update on Wal-Mart, Michigan Ave street improvements.

17. No report

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report


22. No report.

23. Plaszczak commented on Nielsen being awarded the Michigan Rural Water Association Manager of the year. Plaszczak noted this was Nielsen’s second time winning this award and was well deserved.

24. Larcinese commented on the status of the S-2 Grant and inquiring about cost of capital repairs to the Village water and sewer systems.

25. Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                         Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, April 14, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 14, 2014, convened at 7:33 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis excused), Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of March 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese to approve accounts payable in the amount of $476,672.09. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Rohr and McIntosh.

6. Tony Habra, Superintendent Paw Paw Public Schools presented to the Council an outlook on the School District. Habra presented the project budget for the next years and discussed the concerns from the School Board.

7. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to allow the use of Village facilities for the proposed activities by the Two River Coalition as listed in the April 14, 2014 agenda memo. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the Manager request to purchase and update hardware & software for Village computers at Village Hall, DPS and Motor Pool department. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included; update regarding public meeting with business owners and residents regarding the possible street improvement & changes to Michigan Ave and Kalamazoo Street.

10. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; possible new shared service with the City of Bangor.

11. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; Cedar Street/Kalamazoo Street water main repair, sidewalks evaluations and the need to amend Walkability Ordinance.

12. No report.

13. No report.

14. Larcinese reported Fire Board met. Items discussed included; holding the replacement of truck 1206.
15. No report.
17. No report
18. No report.
19. No report.
20. No report

21. Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                               Christopher Tapper

Historical Comm.
Housing Commission
Planning Commission
RLF
WHF
Maple Lake
& NR &E

Adjournment
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, April 28, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczyk presiding.  

2. Present: President Plaszczyk, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.  

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to approve the agenda as submitted. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

4. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of March 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

5. Motion by Rohr, supported by McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $208,817.88. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Jarvis and Pioch.  

6. Motion by Larcinese supported by Flores to approve the agreement to use the Paw Paw Community Library meeting room as the location of meetings of the Village Council on the 2nd and 4th Monday’s of each month, the Planning Commission on the 1st Thursday of each month and the Zoning Board of Appeals on the 1st Monday of each month for a rental charge of $125 per month. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

7. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr to approve the Cooperation Agreement between the Village of Paw Paw and Coca-Cola North America and authorize the Village Manager to enter into the agreement on behalf of the Village Council. Roll Call vote; all members voting yes, motion carried.  

8. Pioch reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included; update regarding public meeting with business owners and residents regarding the possible street improvement & changes to Michigan Ave and Kalamazoo Street. Pioch noted there had been 15 meeting all together and all meetings had been well attended.  

9. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed; possible new shared service with the City of Bangor, possibility of purchase of property.  

10. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the held payable claim from Lake Savers LLC $16,750.00. Roll call vote; all members voting yes, motion carried.  

11. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; Well Head Protection Plan discussion, water main repair, cameras, Well #4 in need of repairs and the committee supports the Village Manager regarding the possible of purchase of property.
12. No report.

13. No report.

14. Larcينese reported Fire Board met. The Fire Chief was working with the Paw Paw Early Elementary regarding ice build up on the roof; the department would be performing a test burn using water from Briggs Pond. Larcînese was not able to answer questions regarding the upcoming tornado alarm testing notice that was in the Council packet because the Fire Board had not been updated regarding the test.

15. Plaszczak reported the Commission met. Items discussed included; Civil War reenactment and baseball schedule.

16. Rohr reported the Commission met. Items discussed included; approval of bills, audit field work date scheduled.

17. No report

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report

21. McIntosh asked to have the list of ordinances she brought to the Council over a year age revisited. McIntosh noted she was concerned because the proposed text amendments and new ordinances are important to the safety of the community.

22. Flores noted of the ZBA hearing May 5, 2014.

23. Chief Marshall noted of the outcome of the homicide that had taken place last spring.

24. Small noted of the salmon release tomorrow at the Hydro Electric Dam into the Paw Paw River.

25. Nielsen noted the Village field audit was Thursday 5-1-2014

26. Motion by Flores, supported by Larcînese, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Roman Plaszczak  
Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, May 12, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, (Donne Rohr excused), Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to approve the agenda with the addition of Master Plan discussion regarding street projects. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh supported by Pioch to amend the agenda with the addition of Ordinance Discussion/Code Suggestions referencing memo dated May 9, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis to amend the agenda with the addition of Zoning Board of Appeals discussion. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Pioch supported by McIntosh, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of April 28, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

7. Motion by Jarvis, supported by Pioch to approve accounts payable in the amount of $461,328.77. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Larcinese.

8. Motion by McIntosh supported by Larcinese, to approve and grant the request from Warner Vineyard Company and issue local approval for a Micro Brewery License. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by McIntosh supported by Jarvis to approve the Resolution Adopting a Defined Contribution Plan under the provision of 1996 PA 220 as presented. Roll Call vote; all members voting yes, motion carried.

10. Motion by Jarvis supported by Flores to approve and grant the request from the McGowan-Johnson Post 68 of the American Legion to use Village Streets and sidewalks as requested on May 26, 2014 for the Annual Memorial Day Parade. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Larcinese supported by Pioch to approve the meeting date change for the Village Council from Monday, May 26, 2014 to Tuesday, May 27, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. The Council consensus was to continue to review the proposed draft and discuss at a later meeting.
13. Motion by McIntosh supported by Jarvis to approve the temporary allowance for summer/fall 2014 the availability of the Village of Paw Paw suction harvester to lake front properties on Maple Lake at a cost not to exceed $85.00. All members voting yes, Larcinese no, motion carried.

14. A general discussion ensued regarding the progress the Master Plan Implementation Committee has been having. The committee has made available several public meeting at the DDA office with most if not all business owners attending the meeting and commenting on the concepts. Some of the concepts address several concerns regarding form base codes. Nielsen noted the committee was getting through the public comment process and would be presenting to the Council recommendations for this year’s street scope.

15. A general discussion ensued regarding Nielsen’s memo to Council dated 5-9-2014 with reference to Ordinance/Code changes. At the April 28, 2014 Council member McIntosh offered a memo detailing a rationale for a variety of ordinances. Nielsen noted he broke down the memo outlined by McIntosh and offered several suggestions. It was the consensus of the Council was to have the Planning Commission review numbers 4, 12, 13 & 15 to incorporate into the form base codes discussion.


17. No report.

18. Flores reported the Department of Public Service met. Items discussed included; cameras, sidewalk proposal, update on water main breaks and Well Head Protection news articles.

19. Jarvis reported the Parks and Recreation Committee met. Items discussed included; Maple Island improvements, new playground design.

20. No report.

21. Larcinese reported Fire Board met. Items discussed included; building needs assessments and the rescheduling for training with reference to Briggs Pond.

22. No report.

23. No report.

24. Pioch reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; text amendment regarding non-conforming use.

25. No report.


27. No report.

Rental Rates for Suction Harvester

Master Plan implementation

Proposed Ordinance/suggestions

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F & A

Public Services

Parks and Rec.

DDA

Fire Board

Historical Comm.

Housing Commission

Planning Commission

RLF

WVF

Maple Lake & NR &E
28. McIntosh commented on the new Van Buren County Public Transportation route in Paw Paw.

29. Larcinese commented on the road condition of South Kalamazoo Street, along with how the Village of Paw Paw Local & Major Street were in better condition than several other communities on the eastside of the State. Larcinese also noted of the communities of Clinton and Saline with reference to how well their downtowns operated with five lane traffic.

30. Motion by Flores, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,       Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak         Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, June 9, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, June 9, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Pioch supported by McIntosh, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of May 27, 2014. All members present voting yes, Rohr abstaining, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $230,802.40. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Larcinese.

6. Wayne Wilhelmi was in attendance to comment on; proposed street diet conversation and the challenges facing traffic in the Village. Wilhelmi commented the differences between truck parking versus car parking. Wilhelmi noted he had spoken with several residents in the community express concerns regarding the proposed street diet.

7. Matt Meersman, Van Buren County Soil Conversation and Marcy Colclough were in attendance to discussion and present updated information to the Council on the 319 Grant activities. Meersman discussed different education opportunities for farmers and land owners of the South Branch of the Paw Paw River Shed. A general discussion ensued regarding the program activities at 7:40 and concluded around 8:35. The Council thanked Meersman and Colclough for their continued efforts.

8. Nielsen noted the request would need to be review again by staff as the request changed in the later part of the day. Nielsen indicated the start and finish points are still in question.

9. A general discussion ensued regarding the recommendation from the DPS committee for the purchase of cameras in the Village parks. The Committee had provided several memos regarding the needs and cost of the cameras. The Committee believed it was beneficial to the Police Department to have the cameras in the local parks. McIntosh offered a motion and Jarvis supported. After a continued discussion McIntosh withdrew her motion and Jarvis supported the withdrawal.

10. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met and discussed; bids for sidewalks were sent out, Lift Station #2 will be down on Tuesday, May 10 for repairs, vehicle replacement and continued discussion
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regarding proposed ordinances.

11. Rohr reported the Committee met and discussed; ballet Proposal One, Nielsen to have a memo for Council discussion the importance of the proposal. The discussion also included the Village L-4029 setting taxing levels.

12. Nielsen provided to the Council an updated draft proposal regarding Ordinance 441. As previously discussed the ordinance was fashion after the City of Battle Creek. Nielsen asked Council to continue the review of the draft proposal so the agenda item could be added to the next Council meeting for possible action.

13. No report.

14. Already reported

15. Already reported.

16. Jarvis reported the Parks and Recreation Committee met. Items discussed included; new playground equipment, weed boat update.

17. No report.

18. Larcinese reported Fire Board met. Items discussed included; proposals for needs assessments.

19. No report

20. No report

21. Pioch reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; text amendment regarding non-conforming use.

22. No report.

23. No report

24. No report

25. Plaszczak commented on the ribbon cutting for the Amphitheatre schedule for Thursday, June 12, 2014.

26. McIntosh asked to have the following ordinance discussion; outdoor furniture, pet waste removal, feeding of water fowl and broken windows in resident/commercial district.

27. Nielsen noted of the future agenda items; TEAM funding discussion, Audit presentation, discussion regarding proposal one and new Amphitheatre Policy.

28. Motion by Flores, supported by Pioch, to adjourn the meeting. All members
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present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                               Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, June 23, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, June 23, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President (Pro-tem Michael Pioch excused), and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, (Marcos Flores excused). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh supported by Rohr, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of June 9, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Rohr, supported by Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $443,456.53. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Larcinese.

6. Bryan Stump was in attendance to thank the Village Electric Department for their quick response time to a power outage over the Fathers Day weekend.

7. Motion by Larcinese supported by McIntosh to approve and accept the request by the Domestic Violence Coalition on Saturday, October 11, 2014 granting Village Manager final approval on the requested route. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Motion by McIntosh supported by Rohr to approve and accept the request by the Red Arrow Ministries to hold the annual Grape 5k Run & Walk on Saturday, September 6, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. A general discussion ensued regarding the Village Managers memo to Council regarding the upcoming Proposal One addressed as Village of Paw Paw Resolution 14-05. The discussion centered on if the Council wanted to go on record as to support or not support a public Proposal. Nielsen noted the Council has not gone on record supporting or not supporting a public Proposal. The Council asked Nielsen to place the discussion on the next agenda under ongoing business.

10. Motion by McIntosh support by Jarvis to approve and accept the recommendation by the Motor Pool Supervisor and Director of Public Services to purchase 2014 F150 XL pickup $17,584.00 and 2014 F250 XL pickup $23,680.00 with utility body from Tapper Ford. Nielsen noted the purchases would be made through the Motor Pool Fund but fund provided by the Municipal Street Fund. Roll Call vote; Larcinese, Plaszczak, Rohr, Jarvis, and McIntosh all voting yes, motion carried.
11. A general discussion ensured regarding the drafted proposal. Nielsen noted with the new amphitheatre it was staff's recommendation to update the existing policy. The Council asked Nielsen to place the discussion on the next agenda under ongoing business.


13. A general discussion ensued regarding each proposed ordinance. The Council provided several comments and edits to the proposals. Nielsen to make edits and changes to provide back to the Council on the next agenda.

14. A general discussion ensued regarding the proposed Groundwater Protection Ordinance. Nielsen thanked the Council for their suggestion and asked for continue feedback regarding the draft.

15. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis to approve and accept the recommendation from the Village Manager on the 70/30 split for fund the TEAM program with Paw Paw Public Schools. All members present voting yes, McIntosh opposed, motion carried.

16. Nielsen reported the Village did not receive any bids for the streets-sidewalks project. Nielsen discussed DPS would be taking phone bids with some local contractors.

17. No report.

18. Rohr reported the Finance & Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; Project Team financing and property discussion.

19. Jarvis reported the Department of Public Services met. Items discussed included; street-sidewalk quotes, number two lift station repairs, new vehicle quotes and Wal-Mart.

20. No report.

21. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; summer music schedule, Wal-Mart and no applications for grants.

22. No report.

23. No report

24. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; audit report and training & education updates.

25. No report.
27. No report  
28. No report  

29. McIntosh commented she would like to request the reports from the Finance & Administration Committee on how and where they came up with the extra funding for the TEAM program and why the Committee continues to be able to find money in the budget for these types of new projects when they are not budgeted but cannot find funding for projects the DPS committee request.  

30. Jarvis commented her supported to vote “yes” on Proposal One.  
31. Rohr commented on the great turn out for the ribbon cutting at the Amphitheatre.  
32. Plaszczak commented on the successful first appointment of “Goose Busters”  
33. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Jarvis, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.  

Respectfully submitted:  

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak  
Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, July 14, 2014, convened at 7:35 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.  

Meeting Convened

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.  

Members Present

3. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of June 23, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.  

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5. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $586,860.34. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Jarvis and Pioch.  

Accounts Payable

6. Let the record show several members of the audience were attending the meeting to show support for Jim and Felicia Smith request to rezone their property at 629 North Kalamazoo Street from R-1 to Multi-Family. Audience members on record included; Dr. Bradley Reinoehl, Diana Osborn, Ted Major, Jessica Dent, Sara Borsma, David Austin, Jim Smith, Felicia Smith and Ed Grollend.  

Comments from audience members

Jim and Felicia Smith

7. Let the record show the application is on the agenda under New Business number one, recommendation from Planning Commission. A general discussion ensued regarding the application. Jim and Felicia discussed the year long process with each the Village of Paw Paw Zoning Board of Appeal and Planning Commission. Each audience member expressed their concerns of the Village with regard to the recommendation from the Planning Commission and all wanted to express their support of the rezoning request.  

Presentation & Guest

Ginger Smietana

SWMAA

8. Ginger Smietana was in attendance to provide a brief presentation of a future request from the Southwest Michigan Art Association. Smietana noted how the community was greatly rich was history of art. Smietana noted the SMAA would be requesting sometime in the near future for the use of streets and Village assistance to provide an event for the Art Association.  

Ken Berthiaume

Berthiaume Company

9. Ken Berthiaume from Berthiaume and Company was in attendance to provide to present to the Council the audit report for fiscal year ending 2013-2014. Berthiaume reported the field audit provided a clear and clean representation of the Village of Paw Paw finances. Berthiaume wanted to thank Clerk Tapper along with Village staff, Jim Baker and Ann Knafel, Siegfried Crandall PC for all of their work during the field audit.  

Pioch
11. Motion by Larcinese supported by McIntosh to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the rezoning and the amendment to the Master Plan based upon the conclusions of the rezoning criteria set forth in Section 42-33, with specific reference to the inconsistency of the rezoning with the Master Plan and noting that the land use objectives/policies set forth in the Plan do not support expansion of multiple family zoning and high density land use options adjacent to Maple lake along the Kalamazoo Street corridor. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Pioch re-enter meeting at 9:00

13. Motion by Rohr supported by Larcinese to approve and accept the fiscal year 2013-2014 audit report as presented from Berthiaume and Company. All members present voting yes, motion carried

14. Motion by McIntosh supported by Rohr to approve and accept Resolution 14-06 Park Facility Rental Fees and Use Policy for the Village of Paw Paw. All members present voting yes, motion carried.


16. A general discussion ensued regarding each proposed ordinance. The Council provided several comments and edits to the proposals. Nielsen to make edits and changes to provide back to the Council on the next agenda.

17. A general discussion ensued regarding the proposed Groundwater Protection Ordinance. Nielsen thanked the Council for their suggestion and asked for continue feedback regarding the draft.

18. Motion by Jarvis supported by Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee and purchase new playground equipment for Maple Island. Roll Call vote; all members present voting yes, motion carried.

19. Motions by Rohr supported by Jarvis to approved the request from the Department of Public Services Committee and allow the bids spec for solicitation for 2014 Major, Local and Municipal Street work to be preformed. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

20. Motion by Rohr supported by Flores to approve and accept the recommendation from Wightman & Associates to aware Lounsbury Excavating the proposal of repairs to the South Kalamazoo Street waterline for a price not to exceed $24,900. Roll Call vote; all members present voting yes, motion carried.

21. Motions by Flores supported by Pioch to approve and accept the recommendation from Wightman & Associates and proceed with the Michigan Avenue Pavement Marking Improvement Project. Roll Call vote; all members present voting yes,mc.
The document is a meeting minutes of the Paw Paw Village Council, Regular Meeting, July 14, 2014.

The minutes include the following report:

22. Already reported.

23. Already reported.

24. Already reported.

25. Already reported.


27. Rohr reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; audit report and needs assessment report.

28. No report.

29. No report.

30. No report.

31. No report.

32. No report.

33. No report.

34. Plaszczak commented on the Grand Opening for Wal-Mart schedule for Wednesday, July 16, 2014. Plaszczak also noted Manager Reviews would be sent out to Council members soon.

35. Motion by Larcinese, supported by Jarvis, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                               Christopher Tapper

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Plaszczak
Adjournment
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, July 28, 2014, convened at 7:33 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch, to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of July 14, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Pioch, supported by Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $178832.06. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims McIntosh and Rohr.

6. No public comment was received.

7. Motion by Rohr supported by Flores to approve and accept the Village Presidents recommendation and appoint Wayne Wilhelmi to serve as alternate to the Village of Paw Paw Zoning Board of Appeals. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Motion by Larcinese supported by McIntosh to approve and accept the recommendation from the Maple Lake Association and grant persimmon to Village staff to pursue application for annual drawdown of Maple Lake. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

9. Motion by Pioch supported by McIntosh to approve and accept the recommendation from the Department of Public Services committee and authorize the proposal submitted for sidewalk improvements for a price not to exceed $71,500. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Rohr, Plaszczak, Pioch, McIntosh, Flores yes, Larcinese no, motion carried.

10. The consensus of the Council was to direct the Village Manager to proceed with the public notice requirements for proposed Ordinances; 443, 444, 445, 446, 447. The consensus of the Council was to continue reviewing and suggestions for Ordinance 441.

11. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included the Michigan Ave street project was starting this coming weekend and would continue of two weeks. Plaszczak noted the Committee was very happy with all the discussions and positive feedback received regarding the designs.

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Members Present
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New Business
Zoning Board of Appeals
Maple Lake Association request
Public Services Committee request
Ongoing Business
Ordinance Discussion
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MPC
12. Rohr reported the Finance and Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; Proposal One, General Fund budget concerns, elections and possible property purchase.

13. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; Number Two Lift station repairs, playground equipment on Maple Island, and the need to replace equipment in Motor Pool

14. Already reported.

15. Plaszczak reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Items discussed included; grants and Ben Franklin building update.


17. Plaszczak reported the Historical Commission met. Items discussed included; possible project for next year Paw Paw Days and upcoming baseball schedule.

18. No report

19. No report.

20. No report.

21. No report

22. No report.

23. Plaszczak commented on how well Maple Island looked and how many people have been using this summer.

24. Tapper commented on Village Hall being closed Friday, August 1, 2014 and Monday, August 18, 2014 for continued education and training with updated to BS&A.

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

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                               Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                 Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Regular Meeting, August 11, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, August 11, 2014 convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.  

Meeting Convened

Members Present

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Jarvis to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried. 

Approval of Agenda

Accounts Payable

5. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $697,967.39. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Jarvis. 

6. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak opposing the changes to the street plan were; Debbie Klinger, Cliff Overacker, Shawn Klinger, John Mohney, Matt Day, Ruth Runkle, Cliff Runkle, Wayne Wilhelmi, John Fual and Luke Butler. 

Comments for audience members

7. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak positive to the changes of the street plan were; Gary Barton, Cindy VanSchoyck, Jan Peterson and Julie Pioch. 

8. Plaszczak address the audience members by thanking them for all their comments. Plaszczak reminded the audience these changes and plans were not something dreamed up overnight but had in discussion for a long time. The Village of Paw Paw Master Plan discussed several different ideas and concepts regarding handling the heavy volume of traffic moving through Paw Paw along with different ideas and concepts making Paw Paw more of a destination and place for people to come. Plaszczak noted the concept was in a trail bases and was receiving more positive feedbacks than negative. Plaszczak commented “you don’t know how something is coming to turn out until you try it.” The Council will continue to receive public comments regarding the change and looked forward to more comments for the public. 

New Business

9. Motion by Rohr supported by Jarvis to approve and accept the recommendation from staff and authorize engagement of the auditing firm Berthiaume Company to conduct the financial audits for fiscal years 2014-2015, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Flores, McIntosh, Pioch, Plaszczak, Larcinese and Rohr voting yes, motion carried. 

Auditor engagement 2015, 2016, 2017
10. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included the Michigan Ave street project. Plaszczak noted the Committee was very happy with all the discussions and positive feedback received regarding the designs.

11. Rohr reported the Finance and Administration Committee met. Items discussed included; audit proposal and possible property purchase.

12. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to authorize staff to execute the necessary purchase agreement for the property listed at 125 Industrial Ave. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Flores, McIntosh, Pioch, Plaszczak and Rohr voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, motion carried.

13. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to authorize staff to execute the necessary purchase agreement for the property listed at 103 West Berrien Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Flores, McIntosh, Pioch, Plaszczak, Larcinese and Rohr voting yes, motion carried.

14. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; Number Two Lift station repairs, playground equipment on Maple Island, and the need to replace equipment in Motor Pool.

15. No report.


17. Larcinese reported the Fire Board met. Items discussed included; needs assessment bids

18. No report

19. No report

20. Pioch reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; special use request from 1050 East Michigan Ave.


22. No report

23. No report.

24. McIntosh questioned about the public hearings regarding the ordinance the Council had been reviewing.

25. Nielsen commented on Village Hall being closed Monday, August 18, 2014 for continued education and training with updated to BS&A.

26. Motion by Flores, supported by McIntosh, to adjourn the meeting. All members
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present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                              Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                               Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, August 25, 2014 convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, (Eric Larcinese excused), Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small, and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of July 28, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Flores, supported by Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $253,265.01. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Pioch and Larcinese.

6. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak opposing the changes to the street plan were; Debbie Klinger, Greg Michener.

7. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak positive to the changes of the street plan were; Nicole Smith and Mary Springer.

8. Plaszczak address the audience members by thanking them for all their comments. Plaszczak reminded the audience these changes and plans were not something dreamed up overnight but had in discussion for a long time. The Village of Paw Paw Master Plan discussed several different ideas and concepts regarding handling the heavy volume of traffic moving through Paw Paw along with different ideas and concepts making Paw Paw more of a destination and place for people to come. Plaszczak noted the concept was in a trail bases and was receiving more positive feedbacks than negative. Plaszczak commented “you don’t know how something is coming to turn out until you try it.” The Council will continue to receive public comments regarding the change and looked forward to more comments for the public.

9. Motion by Jarvis supported by McIntosh to approve and accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission and approve the Site plan along with Special Land Use request for 1050 East Michigan Car Zone as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
10. Motion by Rohr supported by Pioch to approve the use of Niles Street between Michigan Ave and the parking lot drive to the north from Friday, September 5 through 5 PM on Sunday, September 7, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included the Michigan Ave street project. Plaszczak noted the Committee was very happy with all the discussions and positive feedback received regarding the designs.

12. No report

13. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; Number Two Lift station repairs, playground equipment on Maple Island, and the need to replace equipment in Motor Pool

14. No report.

15. Plaszczak reported the DDA met. Items discussed included; grants, street, Walmart and purchase agreement for 210 East Michigan Ave

16. No report

17. No report

18. No report

19. Pioch reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; special use request from 1050 East Michigan Ave.

20. No report.

21. No report

22. No report.

23. Flores commented on riding in the new bike path and hearing several positive comments from people who had traveled via bike from Kalamazoo.

24. Motion by Pioch, supported by Flores, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                    Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                         Christopher Tapper

Adjournment
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, September 8, 2014 convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, (Donne Rohr excused), Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen; Director of Public Services, John Small; Chief of Police, Eric Marshall; and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to approve the agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of August 25, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Pioch, supported by Larcinese to approve accounts payable in the amount of $282,522.99. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims McIntosh and Jarvis.

6. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak opposing the changes to the street plan.

7. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak positive to the changes of the street plan were.

8. Plaszczak address the audience members by thanking them for all their comments.

9. Phil Tarchala, Antwerp Township, PC/ZBA member, presented to the Village a trail concept between Mattawan and Paw Paw. Tarchala explained the preferred trail connection would connect the Village of Mattawan to the MDOT car pool in Paw Paw. Tarchala discussed Antwerp Township would be leading the preferred connection and asked the Village Council for support on the trail. The consensus of the Council was to direct Tarchala to work with the Parks and Recreation Committee to collaborate the possibility of the trail.

10. Motion by Jarvis supported by McIntosh to approve and accept the request from the Paw Paw Area Rotary Club and use Village Streets and services to conduct the 3rd annual Santa Run/Walk on Saturday, December 13, 2014 at 9:00 am. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Nielsen and the Council reported on the past weekend’s Wine and Harvest Festival. Nielsen noted even with the weather events from Friday the Festival saw records crowds for Saturday and Sunday. Nielsen thanked all Village
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Departments; Department of Public Service, Police and support staff for all their extra assistances with the event.

12. Motion by Flores supported by Pioch to approve the recommendation from the Department of Public Service Committee and award the bids to Michigan Paving and Material. Roll Call vote; Jarvis, Larcinese, Plaszczak, Pioch, McIntosh and Flores all voting yes, motion carried.

13. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Items discussed included the Michigan Ave street project. Plaszczak noted the Committee was very happy with all the discussions and positive feedback received regarding the designs.

14. No report.

15. Flores reported the Department of Public Services Committee met. Items discussed included; Number Two Lift station repairs, playground equipment on Maple Island, and the need to replace equipment in Motor Pool.


17. Plaszczak reported the DDA met. Items discussed included; grants, street, Walmart and purchase agreement for 210 East Michigan Ave.

18. No report.

19. No report.

20. No report.

21. Pioch reported the Planning Commission met. Items discussed included; special use request from 1050 East Michigan Ave.

22. No report.

23. No report.

24. No report.

25. Nielsen commented on the S-2 Grant presentation schedule for next meeting along with Judge Kathleen Brickley presentation.

26. Motion by Pioch, supported by Flores, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President,  
Roman Plaszczak  

Village Clerk,  
Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, September 22, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, September 8, 2014 convened at 7:30 p.m. at 609 West Michigan, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Nadine Jarvis, Donne Rohr, Marcos Flores. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch supported by Rohr to approve the revised agenda. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis supported by McIntosh, to approve the corrected minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of September 8, 2014. All members present voting yes, Rohr abstaining, motion carried.

5. Motion by McIntosh, supported by Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $566,225.93. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims Flores and Rohr.

6. Let the record show several members of the audience were in attendance to discuss the Village of Paw Paw street changes to Michigan Ave. Several members of the audience who wished to speak opposing the changes to the street plan. Comments received from; Shawn Klinger, Debbie Klinger and Cindy Pyard.

7. Plaszczak address the audience members by thanking them for all their comments.

8. Honorable Judge Kathleen Brickley provided a presentation to the Council regarding the 36th District Circuit Court. Brickley provide announcement information, technology initiatives, new language access plan, court caseload data, swift & sure sanctions probation and treatment court. Brickley took several comments and questions from the Council and thanked the Council for the opportunity to present.

9. Chris Cook and Dan Dombos from Abonmarche Engineering presented to the Council their executive summary of findings with regards to the S-2 Study and SRF Project Plans. The summary information provided; introduction, overview, results along with cost of improvement along with options. With the Village preparing to proceed with the completion of the plans and submittal to the MDEQ, a public hearing is required with at least 30 days of notice. The earliest this could occur at the regular council meeting on October 27, 2014. In additionally the village recently received notice that is was successful in its SAW Grant application for Storm water & Wastewater Asset Management Plan. The grant will allow the Village to establish a GIS system to map and manage their assets, inspect manholes, video inspect sewer, further identity Lift Satiation issues, determine level of service criteria, criticality of assets and develop operation & maintenance strategies for the future.
10. Motion by Rohr supported by Larcinese to establish a public hearing on the S-2 Grant Project Plan for November 10, 2014 beginning shortly after 7:30. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Motion by Pioch supported by Flores to approve and grant the request from the Paw Paw High School Student Council the use of Main Street, Michigan Ave to Johnson Road for the annual homecoming parade on September 26, 2014 beginning at 5:00 pm. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

12. Motion by McIntosh supported by Jarvis to approve and grant the request from the Knights of Columbus Council 3798 the use of sidewalks to hold the annual “Tootsie Roll” drive for October 10 through October 12, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by Pioch supported by Jarvis to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the amending the Village of Paw Paw Code of Ordinance Section 42-364 – Nonconforming uses, structures or combinations as presented. Roll Call vote; McIntosh, Flores, Jarvis, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak and Pioch all voting yes, motion carried.

14. Plaszczak reported the Master Plan Committee met. Plaszczak asked the Council to consider changes for Michigan Ave to include adding right turn lanes to the corners of Michigan/Gremps along with Michigan/S Kalamazoo and extending the left turn lanes to allow more traffic to move through the traffic lights.

15. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the request for consideration. Several Council members were concerned about changing the modeling without seeing proposals from the contractor, or the engineers. Council members have been receiving very mix reviews of the street project and are now hesitant to spend more money and time to make changes. This was a temporary project and the Council was going to receive comments and suggestions throughout the review/trail process. The Council has a responsible to the Village residents to spend tax money wisely. The consensus of the Council was to wait until more time travel modeling had been presented along with cost to make changes and additions.


17. Flores reported the DPS Committee met. Items discussed included; sidewalks along Willard/Harris Street have started, Lift Station overview site visit from Committee members and Bridge Inspection report.

18. No report

19. No report.

20. Annual Fire Department is Thursday, October 2, 2014
21. No report
22. No report
23. No report
24. No report.
25. No report

26. Plaszczak noted of several road projects improvements he had notice from South Florida. Plaszczak noted of several bike lanes included in those projects.

27. Flores comments on several more bike trips from Kalamazoo residents who had used the new bike lane on Michigan Ave.

28. Motion by Pioch, supported by Flores, to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Village President, Roman Plaszczak
Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, October 13, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Tuesday October 13, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.


3. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Pioch with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of September 22, 2014 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $319,813.44. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Jarvis and Pioch.

6. Charles Craddock was present and commented on the road diet. Craddock said it takes him longer to navigate his school bus from the elementary schools to the High school and hoped the Village would go back to the two through lanes. Craddock was asked if he was speaking on behalf of the school district. He was speaking for himself. He also thought it a bad idea for downtown employees to park on Michigan Avenue. Members thanked him for his comment and Mr. Craddock then left.

7. DDA Coordinator Mary Springer spoke about the DDA effort to get downtown businesses to host Safe Trick or Treating Friday October 31st between 3 and 5 PM. Over 40 merchants are participating. Members thought this a good thing for the DDA and the downtown.

8. Chief Marshall and Nielsen explained the need to upgrade the PD laptops to the new security encryption standards. The system is for lien services NCIC data base requirements. Motion by Rohr with support from Flores to authorize the upgrade the three laptops at a cost of $15,322.77. Roll call vote with all members voting in the affirmative. Motion carried.

9. Manager Nielsen provided a brief background of the recommendation from the Planning Commission regarding the downtown overlay district and its development of form based codes. This item will be discussed in greater detail at a future Council meeting when Planning Commission members and consultants may attend the Council meeting.

10. Recommendations from the Master Plan Implementation Committee were presented. They included a right turn lane at Michigan and Gremps for east bound vehicles, lengthening the left turn approach at Gremps for east bound Michigan
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Avenue vehicles, extend the center turn lane between Kalamazoo and Niles, and painting bicycle symbols along N. Kalamazoo between Oak and Power Plant. Questions regarding the different scenarios followed. Bittner and DeVries provided responses. Not for consideration was a right turn lane at Kalamazoo for east bound Michigan Avenue vehicles. The details about adjusting the timing lights was also discussed. Following the discussion, motion by Pioch with support from Larcinese to accept all of the recommendations except the painting of the bicycle costs on N. Kalamazoo as presented at a cost of $2,355.65 and the engineering oversight cost of $500. All members present voting yes, the motion carried.

11. Nielsen presented a proposal from Abonmarche Engineering to conduct a water reliability study and an assessment of operational and capital needs. The cost would be $25,000. Chris Cook, CEO Abonmarche, was present to discuss the proposal. Motion by Flores with support from Pioch to authorize Abonmarche to begin the Water reliability Study for a cost of $25,000. Roll call with all members voting in the affirmative, motion carried.

12. Dan Domboss, Abonmarche, was present to indicate the MDEQ Wastewater Division requested the Village delay the planned public hearing on the SRF Project Plan from November 10, 2014 to December 8, 2014. The request allows their careful and complete review prior to the public hearing. Motion by Jarvis with support from Flores to move the date. All members voted in the affirmative, motion carried.

13. Continue looking at the next budget and issues that impact the budget.

14. No meeting this cycle.

15. Jarvis reported the next meeting is November 3rd.

16. Plaszczak reported on some of the DDA activities and grant awards.

17. Larcinese reported on prior Fire Board meeting.

18. Plaszczak reported the next meeting is pending.

19. Rohr reported the next meeting is October 20th.

20. Pioch reported on last meeting.


22. Pioch reported the next meeting is pending.

23. Larcinese reported the committee will hold a public meeting to discuss the restoration efforts going on with the Lake. It will be November 8 from 1-3 PM at the Library.
24. Flores noted the annual fire department dinner, that public works crew members have been doing a good job, and that the annual Thanksgiving dinner will be from 11-3 on Thanksgiving Day, volunteers wanted.

Jarvis commented on the refunds by the Michigan Municipal League Workers Compensation Fund and Liability and Property Pool noting that as a member we share in the dividends. Jarvis also noted the annual fire department dinner and praised their training efforts.

McIntosh appreciated the legal briefs regarding blight cases in Michigan.

25. Chief Marshall noted that unlocked cars have been broken into in the Village and in surrounding townships. He also noted an Officer assisted a passer-by and the recent firearms training went well.

26. Motion by Flores with support of Pioch to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Manager,
Roman Plaszczak                                           Larry Nielsen
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, October 27, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Tuesday October 27, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and (Donne Rohr, excused). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Chief of Police Eric Marshall, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Jarvis with support of Flores to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Pioch with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of October 13, 2014 as corrected. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Pioch with support of Jarvis to approve accounts payable in the amount of $520,834.82. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, McIntosh and Rohr.

6. Mary Springer, DDA Coordinator present to the Council the 2014 DDA plans for various activates “Christmas in the Village” Those activates were included in the Council agenda with a request for street closures.

7. Motion by Flores, supported by McIntosh to allow the DDA use of Village Streets and sidewalks on Saturday, December 6, 2014 between 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. and allow the use of the Public Works building between 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the DDA’s “Christmas in the Village activities”. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

8. Nielsen asked the Council to provide questions, comments regarding the Planning Commission recommendation considering a text amendment for the downtown overlay district. This has been a long term project the Planning Commission has been working on. The Commission recently held a public hearing to take comments on the proposed overlay district. The Commission voted to approve the amendment and provide the recommendation to the Council. No action is request at this time just provide answers to comments and question.

9. A general discussion ensued regarding the Planning Commission recommendation. Comments included the possibility of rooftop sitting for business, rooftop designs and how the sidewalks along with pathways would be included in new street designs. The Council will continue to provide Nielsen with feedback.

10. Plaszczak reported the changes to the right turn lanes on Michigan Ave had been completed. The committee also discussed the decking options for Michigan ave restaurant. Plaszczak noted the committee would like to see these projects start
this winter. Comments and questions included the building permitting process along with the Village not having an ordinance regarding these types of structures.

11. Continue looking at the next budget and issues that impact the budget...

12. Flores reported the Public Services Committee met. Committee received an updated from Small of the progress of several projects. The Committee also heard feedback regarding the need for a new salt barn.

13. Jarvis reported the next meeting is November 3rd.

14. Plaszczak noted the committee had not met since last report.

15. Larcinese reported on prior Fire Board meeting.

16. Plaszczak reported the next meeting is pending.

17. No report.

18. Pioch reported on last meeting.

19. No report.

20. Pioch reported the next meeting is pending.

21. Larcinese reported the committee will hold a public meeting to discuss the restoration efforts going on with the Lake. It will be November 8 from 1-3 PM at the Library.

22. Plaszczak reported he was still waiting on replies from Council regarding Village Manager review.

23. Flores commented regarding the sidewalk progress. Flores asked the Council to review an additional request for sidewalks in the area of Harris Street and Charles Street. Flores noted the sidewalk projects for 2014-2015 would be under budget and asked the Council to consider the addition sidewalk north along a walking path from Harris to Charles.

24. A general discussion ensued regarding the request from Flores. Motion by Flores supported by Jarvis to allow the addition sidewalk to be constructed North of Harris/Willard Street to the backside of Charles Street 267 feet for a cost not to exceed $4,600. Flores, Plaszczak, Jarvis and yes, Larcinese, Pioch and McIntosh voting no, motion fails.

25. Chief Marshall noted CPO Officer McMeeken will be going back into the general patrol starting March 1, 2015. Officer McMeeken has done a fantastic job over the last three years and was proud of the work McMeeken put into the position. Marshall indicated Officer Carlson has applied for the CPO position and would start March 1, 2015.
26. Motion by Flores with support of Pioch to adjourn the meeting.  All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. 

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                             Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, November 10, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, President Pro-tem Michael Pioch, and Trustees Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, Mary McIntosh and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Pioch with support of Rohr to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of McIntosh to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of October 27, 2014. All members present voting yes, Rohr abstaining, motion carried.

5. Clerk Tapper preformed the official oath of office for new Village Council Trustee, Douglas Craddock. Along with McIntosh, Flores and Jarvis

6. Motion by Rohr with support of McIntosh to approve accounts payable in the amount of $226,371.95. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Flores and Jarvis.

7. Eleanor LaRue was in attendance to ask the Council of the sculpture of her business and building located at 200 East Michigan Ave. LaRue was concerned she has attempted to complete the list of safety concerns, Community Development Coordinator, Leonard Lux discovered during a recent inspection of the building. LaRue asked the Council to give her more time to address the concerns.

8. Shane, from Paw Paw Save-A-Lot was in attendance to discuss the Michigan Ave improvement project. The discussion ensued regarding how the parking and street design is effecting his business.

9. Mike Pioch, thanked the Council and the public for the opportunity to serve the Village Council and the community. Pioch noted he believed he and Council had preform great services during his years of service. Pioch commented he would love to continue his public service effects in any different kinds of activates with the Council’s blessing.

10. Motion by McIntosh supported by Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation of the Village President and appoint new Council Member Douglas Craddock to the Council’s Finance & Administration Committee and as the liaison from the Council to the Wine & Harvest Festival. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

11. Nielsen noted the Planning Commission had submitted to the Council a recommendation regarding the text amendments for the downtown overlay district. Nielsen comments he has received comments from Council. The
consensus of the Council was to hear public comments and discussion with Rebecca Harvey, Village Planner. The consensus of the Council was to receive public comment at the December 8, 2014 regular meeting.

12. No meeting.

13. Continue looking at the next budget and issues that impact the budget...

14. Flores reported the Public Services Committee met. Committee received an updated regarding the Downtown dumpsters for central business district business.

15. Jarvis reported the Committee met. Items discussed included the possible new trail way from the Village of Mattawan to the MDOT park-n-ride south on Kalamazoo Street.

16. Plaszczak noted the committee had not met since last report.

17. Larcinse reported on the Fire Board met. The department is continuing its work regarding the needs assessment for the possibility of a new facility. The department has held off the purchase of a new truck due to the needs assessment.

18. Plaszczak reported the next meeting is pending.

19. No report.

20. Pioch reported the Commission met. Discussion regarding old industrial park and the possibility for different types of new district layouts


22. No report.

23. Larcinse reported the committee met. The meeting was held at the Paw Paw District Library. Thirty Five people attended the meeting. The meeting provided updated information from Jennifer Jermalowicz- Jones, Restorative Lake Sciences, LLC. Larcinse noted several Council members were also in attendance.

24. Plaszczak reported he was still waiting on replies from Council regarding Village Manager review, commented on the quick response of the Paw Paw Fire Department to provide assistance to Paw Paw Township after the electrical outage during last week’s election.

25. Several Council members made positive comments regarding the DDA sponsored “Safe Trick or Treat” last week in the Village. Questions regarding when the Housing Commission Holiday Dinner.
26. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                          Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Workshop Meeting, November 24, 2014

1. The workshop meeting of the Village Council Monday, November 24, 2014, convened at 6:15 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, and Trustees Marcos Flores, Douglas Craddock, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh, excused) and (Donne Rohr 6:30). Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Mickey Bittner, Wightman Associates was in attendance to review and discuss the three MDOT grant projects involving West Michigan Avenue. Two of the grants are CMAQ projects for accentuated signals with one possible at Gremps/Michigan Ave and one possible at Hazen/Michigan Ave. The major part of the grant would be reconstruction from Gremps to west of the Village limits on Michigan Ave.

4. Daniel Dombos, Abonmarche was in attendance to review and discuss the continued efforts regarding the S-2 Grant Sewer Study & SRF Project Plan. Dombos noted the Michigan Avenue grants discussed by Bittner could be coordinated with the sewer improvements needed with the Hi-Lift Station on North Street. Dombos comments with the possibility of combining the two effects the Village could save on constructions costs.

5. The Council thanked Nielsen, Bittner and Dombos for their continued efforts regarding these projects.

6. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                           Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, November 24, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczyk presiding.

Meeting Convened

2. Present: President Plaszczyk, and Trustees Marcos Flores, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh, excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

Members Present

3. Motion by Flores with support of Jarvis to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approval of Agenda

4. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting minutes of November 10, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

Approved Minutes

5. Motion by Jarvis with support of Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $483,784.71. All members present voting yes, Plaszczyk abstaining motion carried. Next claims, Craddock and Rohr.

Accounts Payable

6. Eleanor LaRue was in attendance to ask the Council of the sculpture of her business and building located at 200 East Michigan Ave. LaRue was concerned she has attempted to complete the list of safety concerns, Community Development Coordinator, Leonard Lux discovered during a recent inspection of the building. LaRue asked the Council to give her more time to address the concerns.

Comments from audience
Eleanor LaRue

7. Amy Craddock, Christmas Parade Committee, Chairperson was in attendance to remind the Council of the activates for the “Christmas in the Village” Craddock looked forward to the members at the December 5, 2014 tree lighting.

Amy Craddock

8. Nielsen introduced to the Council Karla Tacy, Village of Paw Paw, Personnel Assistant and Gary Elferink, Motor Pool Supervisor. Tacy and Elferink are replacing Becky Gregory and Tracy Kirvan who both been employed by the Village of Paw Paw for over 30 years.

Presentation & Guest
Karla Tacy & Gary Elferink

9. Motion by Rohr supported by Larcinese to approve and accept the recommendation of the Village President and appoint Michael Pioch to the Planning Commission. Plaszczyk noted position became available with the resignation of Elisa Crafts. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

New Business
Planning Commission

10. Motion by Flores supported by Rohr to approve and accept the recommendation of the Village President and appoint Nadine Jarvis as Council representative to the Planning Commission. All members present voting yes, motion carried.
11. Leonard Lux, Community Development Coordinator was present to report to the Council of his activities. Lux provided a report regarding his rental inspections. In the calendar year 2014 Lux preformed 244 inspections completed along with adding 27 new rental registrations. Lux provided important corrections to the inspection/utility billing report. Lux made note of several multifamily properties in example who had only being charge one rate electric-water-sewer services, when in fact per the Village of Paw Paw Code of Ordinance, when a property has multi rental units the property should be billed for each unit as opposite to one service. Lux commented this was an important fact to discuss because of the impact these types of rental properties have to the Village of Paw Paw utility infrastructure.

12. No meeting.

13. No meeting.

14. No meeting.

15. No meeting

16. Nielsen reported the Downtown Development Authority met. Several grants were award for business development.

17. Nielsen noted of a schedule meeting for December 17, 2014.

18. Plaszczak reported the next meeting is pending.

19. Rohr reported the Housing Commission met. Items discussed included; budget, Five year plan and annual needs assessment.

20. No report


22. No report.

23. No report.

24. Flores reminded the Council of the annual, “Community Thanksgiving Dinner” at the Knights of Columbus from 12:00 to 3:00, Thursday.
25. Rohr noted of the positive comments regarding the Christmas lights and the positive feedback regarding leaf pick up.

26. Larcinese thanked staff for scheduling the workshop session regarding the Michigan Ave project and S-2 Grant.

27. Nielsen commented to the Council regarding a Michigan Public Service Commission heating assistance program the Village opted out of. Nielsen noted the program asked utility provider to charge a fee or tax to its customers to help pay for heating assistance programs during the winter months. Nielsen commented the Village opted out of the program last year and did the same this year.

28. Motion by Flores with support of Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                      Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                      Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council
Workshop Meeting, December 8, 2014

1. The workshop meeting of the Village Council Monday, December 8, 2014, convened at 7:00 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plasczczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plasczczak, and Trustees (Marcos Flores excused), Douglas Craddock, Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, (Mary McIntosh, excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper, Village Planning Consultant, Rebecca Harvey, Planning Commission members; Kathleen Larson and Mike Thomas.

3. Harvey, Larson and Thomas were present to take questions and comments from the Council regarding the amendment of the Village of Paw Paw Zoning Ordinance summarizing the establishment of the Downtown Overlay District. Harvey noted; the establishment of the District means implementing the economic development and redevelopment strategies set forth in the Master Plan of the Village of Paw Paw. The overlay district proposal amends several sections of the Village of Paw Paw Zoning Ordinance Sections; 42-251, 42-252, 42-253, 42-254, 42-255, 42-256, 42-257, 42-258, 42-259, 42-260 and 42-401. Along with amendment the overlay district also proposed rezoning of areas bounded by Oak Street, La Grave Street, Paw Paw Street, Gremps Street and the 6 blocks within the Central Business District.

4. Larson, Thomas and Harvey noted the Commission has been working through this processes now for approximately two years. The Commission has had several presentations from various groups to help guide the path and direction of the amendments. Harvey noted the keys to the process have been the Village of Paw Paw Master Plan which was adopted back in 2008. With the goals and agenda set forth by the Master Plan the Planning Commission was able to address the needs of the district redevelopment.

5. A general discussion ensued regarding the amendments and proposals. Several comments and questions ensued regarding; Community Pros & Cons of such developments, alternative views of the development and discussion regarding page ten of the draft referencing “flat roofs”.

6. The Council thanked Harvey, Larson and Thomas along with all the Planning Commission members for their continued efforts regarding this project.

7. Motion by Craddock with support of Larcinese to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plasczczak                                             Christopher Tapper
Minutes, Paw Paw Village Council  
Regular Meeting, December 8, 2014

1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, December 8, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, Douglas Craddock, (Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores excused) and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of Larcinese to approve the Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to approve the minutes of the workshop session meeting minutes of November 24, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting minutes of November 24, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rohr with support of Flores to approve accounts payable in the amount of $379,090.41. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Next claims, Jarvis and Larcinese.

7. John and Terry Hamacher were in attendance to voice concerns to the Council regarding their property 102 Paw Paw Street. Hamacher’s express their concerns over an inspection that just took place.

8. Matt Miller was in attendance to voice concerns to the Council regarding the Michigan Ave project. Miller expressed his concerns of the bike lane and wonder how long the Village was going to keep the project.

9. Wayne Wilhelmi was in attendance to voice concerns to the Council regarding; increased traffic on Power Plant Road and the Michigan Ave Project. Wilhelmi also questioned the two possible grants the Village was seeking.

10. Motion by Jarvis with support of Craddock to close the regular session and recess into a Public Hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed State Revolving Loan Fund Project Plan at 8:30. Roll call vote; Larcinese, Plaszczak, Rohr, Craddock and Jarvis yes, motion carried.

11. Daniel Dombos, Abonmarche was in attendance to present to the Council the complete and final report of the findings from the S-2 Grant. Along with Dombos presentation, Nielsen provided to the Council a report outlining the financing that would come from the State Revolving Fund in the form of a 20 year loan to the Village. The loan interest rate for 2015 has been announced at 2.5%. Total project cost is $7,106,232.41 with the Village using $2,000,000.00 anticipating the loan amount of $5,106,232.41. The Village would be required to generate an additional $327,550.15 annually to repay the SRF loan. Based on average daily
wastewater treatment plan flow of 0.511 MDG this would equated to an increase of $0.00176 per gallon ($1.76/1,000 gallon) if the Council does not include a down payment the increase would be $0.00244 per gallon ($2.44/1,000 gallon).

12. The project construction will involve replacement and rehabilitation of leaking, structurally inadequate sanitary sewer, replacement and upgrades to wastewater pump stations, and installation of new force main. Impacts of the proposed project included construction related road closures, detours, sidewalk closures and tree removal.

13. Wilhelmi questioned if the reconstruction project would repair lift stations? The key focus of the S-2 Grant project was to show the conditions of the Village Sewer system and determine the repairs needed. Wilhelmi questioned if the increase in rates would combine with the rate increase the Village already had voted into effect this past year?

14. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to close the public hearing at 9:33 after received public comment. Roll Call vote; Larcinese, Plaszczak, Rohr, Craddock and Jarvis yes, motion carried.

15. Motion Rohr with support of Craddock to approve and accept the Village President recommendation and appoint Trustee Eric Larcinese as President Pro-Tem. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

16. Nielsen provided to Council a memorandum regarding the possible CMAQ Grant for West Michigan. The reconstruction project has nothing to do with the road diet on East Michigan Ave. These would be for accentuated signals at Gremp/Michigan and Hazen/Michigan. Along with the improvement to the signals the grants would include sub-base work to the water mains and service lines as well as gravity sanitary sewer lines. Target dates would start the bidding process in May 2015 with and end date possible of September 2015.

17. No meeting.

18. No meeting.

19. No meeting.

20. Jarvis reported the Committee met. Topics included possible projects for next year.

21. No report

22. Larcinese reported the Committee met. Topics included needs assessment plan. Larcinese also noted the meeting schedule for later this morning was canceled.

23. Nielsen noted of a schedule meeting for December 17, 2014.
24. No report.
25. No report
26. No report
27. No report.
28. No report.
29. No report.
30. Plaszczak noted of the wonderful job of the Department of Public Services and the effort on the Christmas lighting.
31. Jarvis commented on the continuing education for Council members. Jarvis went to an education opportunity for elected official last week and was very helpful.
33. Motion by Rohr with support of Craddock to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                          Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                             Christopher Tapper
1. The regular Village Council meeting of Monday, December 22, 2014, convened at 7:30 p.m. at the Paw Paw Community Library 609 West Michigan Avenue, Paw Paw, Michigan. President Plaszczak presiding.

2. Present: President Plaszczak, and Trustees Nadine Jarvis, Eric Larcinese, Douglas Craddock, Mary McIntosh, Marcos Flores and Donne Rohr. Also present: Village Manager, Larry Nielsen, Director, Department of Public Services, John Small, Chief of Police, Eric Marshall and Village Clerk, Christopher Tapper.

3. Motion by Rohr with support of McIntosh to approve the amended Agenda as presented. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

4. Motion by McIntosh with support of Jarvis to approve the minutes of the work shop session meeting minutes of December 8, 2014. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

5. Motion by Rohr with support of Jarvis to approve the corrected minutes of the regular meeting minutes of November 24, 2014. All members present voting yes, McIntosh and Flores abstaining, motion carried.

6. Motion by McIntosh with support of Rohr to approve accounts payable in the amount of $611,521.33. All members present voting yes, Larcinese abstaining, motion carried. Next claims, Jarvis and Larcinese.

7. Let the record show not public comment was received.

8. William Buhl was present to provide the annual report for the Wings of God. Buhl indicated as part of the Special Land Use approval the Planning Commission asked to have the Wings of God provide an annual reports of activates of the house. Buhl reported the graduation rate was continuing to exceed the project goals and objectives. Buhl reminded the Council the project was funded by private donations and will continue to operate was volunteers to help keep expensive down. The Council thanked Buhl for his continued efforts for keeping the program moving forward with continued successes.

9. A general discussion ensued regarding the proposed SRF Plan. There has been extensive information presented on the resulting report of the S-2 Grant. The work of the S-2 grant leads to the SRF Project Plan. The purpose of the proposed project is to address deficiencies in the existing wastewater collection system, curb excess flows resulting from the inflow and infiltration of storm water, making improvements to the system to provide adequate flow capacity and improve systems operating through the installation and replacement of existing equipment is needed. The project construction will involve replacement and rehabilitation of leaking or structurally inadequate sanitary sewer, replacement and upgrades to wastewater pump stations. Nielsen noted a resolution was available for the Council in the agenda this evening.

10. It was the consensus of the Council to place the Plan on the agenda for the February 23, 2015 for decision.
11. Plaszczak reported to the Council the annual Village Manager evaluation. Plaszczak noted of the new format for this year and was happy with the feedback from Council. Plaszczak reported Nielsen scored 4.68 out of a possibility of 5.00. Council comments included; Nielsen’s knowledge of municipal actions and government is a true asset to the Village of Paw Paw, Nielsen’s continued efforts to improve his performance are always in the for front of the Council. Plaszczak asked the Finance & Administration Committee to review Nielsen’s contact for possible recommendations.

12. Motion by Rohr with support from Jarvis to approve and accept the recommendation of the Village President and appoint Laure Dykstra and replace Brad Noeldner, to the Maple Lake Association. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

13. Motion by McIntosh with support from Flores to approve Ordinance 449 Downtown Overlay District, Roll Call vote; Flores, Jarvis, Craddock, Rohr, Larcinese, Plaszczak and McIntosh all yes, motion carried.

14. Motion by McIntosh with support from Craddock to approve Resolution number 14-07 amending the cost based formula rate agreement with Indiana Michigan Power Company. All members present voting yes, motion carried.

15. Plaszczak reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; third party conducting a survey with regards to the road diet on Michigan Ave.

16. Rohr reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; budget

17. Flores reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; leaf pick, Christmas lights and dumpster project

18. No report.

19. Plaszczak reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; grants approved and budget for next year.

20. No report.


22. Rohr reported the Committee met. Items discussed included; budget adoption, banking changes and RACK report. Nielsen asked Rohr to schedule a date for Housing Commission, Director Patricia Winston to present report to Council.

23. No report

24. No report

25. No report.
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27. No report.

28. Plaszczak noted of the wonderful job of the Department of Public Services and the effort on the Christmas lighting and wish everyone a Merry Christmas along with a Happy New Year.

29. Nielsen noted Wightman & Associates would be assisting the Village of Paw Paw with the electric grid improvement study.

30. Motion by McIntosh with support of Flores to adjourn the meeting. All members present voting yes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Village President,                                         Village Clerk,
Roman Plaszczak                                             Christopher Tapper