

**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2 E. MAIN STREET ST. CHARLES, IL 60174**

1. Call To Order At 7:01 P.M.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Turner
Bancroft, Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

Absent: Lemke

3. Invocation – Alderman Rita Payleitner

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Presentations:

- Youth Commission 2013 Challenge Grant Awards – Chairman Nancy McFarland

Girl Scout Troop 4849 from Wredling Middle School - Award \$1,700.00

They will install a swing for disabled children at one of the local parks (park not yet specified). The St.Charles Park District has agreed to maintain this swing once installed.

St. Charles East High School Olympiad Team – Award \$1,000.00

This award will go towards the cost of materials for their building events.

- Recognition of three long standing businesses in St. Charles – Mayor Rogina
 - Armour-Eckrich Meats, 410 Kirk Road celebrating 40 years in St. Charles – Pat Gordon, Plant Manager
 - Rosati’s Pizza East Side St. Charles, 550 N Kirk Road celebrating 30 years in St. Charles – Imran Kanchwala, Owner
 - Rosati’s Pizza West Side St. Charles, 615 S Randall Road celebrating 15 years in St. Charles – Mr. Kahn, Owner

6. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve the Omnibus Vote as amended.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Turner, Bancroft

Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Lemke

MOTION CARRIED

***7. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on January 21, 2014.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Bancroft, Turner

Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis

NAY: 0 ABSENT: Lemke

MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

- *8. **Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List for the period of 11/6/14 – 1/19/14 in the amount of \$1,567,000.05.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, Bancroft, Turner
Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Lemke
MOTION CARRIED (Omnibus Vote)

I. New Business

- A. Motion by Martin, seconded by Bessner to approve a recommendation by Mayor Rogina to appoint Mr. Steven Gaugel and Mr. James Holderfield to the St. Charles Plan Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE: Stellato, Silkaitis, Payleitner, , Turner, Bancroft
Martin, Krieger, Bessner, Lewis
NAY: 0 ABSENT: Lemke
MOTION CARRIED

- B. Motion by Turner, seconded by Bessner to approve a change to the City's financial support for the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce Industrial Arts Scholarship Program.

VOICE VOTE UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED
Motion by Turner, seconded by Bessner to approve funding in the future of a total of \$2,500 in support for the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce Industrial Arts Scholarship Program if funding cannot be obtained by the St. Charles Chamber of Commerce.
VOICE VOTE UNANIMOUS MOTION CARRIED

Rita Tungare, Director, Community & Economic Development

In December 2012 a joint agreement was made between the City of St. Charles and St. Charles Chamber of Commerce to support two \$1,250 scholarships for industrial education for one student from St. Charles North High School and one student from St. Charles East High School. The City of St. Charles would pay for one scholarship and the Chamber would pay for the other.

In 2013, only one student from St. Charles North High School applied and received the scholarship. The Chamber of Commerce is asking the City of St. Charles to roll forward the other \$1,250 for the upcoming year. In addition, the Chamber of Commerce is requesting fund both scholarships at 100%.

City Staff recommends that we support these scholarships and provide 100% or \$2,500 for the two scholarships, if the Council desires to do so.

Stacey Ekstrom, President St. Charles Chamber of Commerce

In January 2012 the chamber created a committee to explore working with industrial businesses in the City of St. Charles. We found the number one issue facing these businesses is finding qualified skilled workers. Therefore we started this scholarship program. We are also trying to find sponsors to help with the scholarship program.

Ms. Tungare

We are looking for direction from the City Council on these scholarships.

Alder. Stellato

I have been a liaison with the Chamber of Commerce and really find this program worthwhile. I agree that these businesses have the issue of finding local help.

Mayor Rogina

We recently visited Alcott Plastics and they expressed their need for tool and dye workers. So there is a need in the industrial business community.

Ms. Ekstrom

We plan on an event to bring in schools and businesses to discuss the opportunities in the industrial area.

Alder. Payleitner

I am glad that the Chamber is being supportive and looking to form a true partnership with the City to support this program.

Alder. Bessner

Why was there only one recipient?

Ms. Eskstrom

Only one person applied. We are working with schools to improve that number.

II. Committee Reports

A. Government Operations

None.

B. Government Services

None.

C. Planning and Development

- *1. Motion by Martin, seconded by Krieger to accept and place on file minutes of the January 13, 2014 Planning & Development Committee.

D. No Executive Session

E. Additional Items from Mayor, Council, Staff, or Citizens

Carol Bayer, 45 Stirrup Cup Court

I am here representing Mr. and Mrs. Lee, owners of the Bosa Donuts on Main Street. They have owned the donut shop for the last three years and support their family with the donut shop. They have had some tough times. The first year was good, but then construction started on Route 64 and really hurt the business. When I read the article about a Dunkin Donut shop going to be open nearby, I had to speak up. Can we somehow stop Dunkin

Donuts from building nearby? I am representing small business owners. What is going to happen to Mr. and Mrs. Lee and their three children?

Mayor Rogina

We abide by building codes and ordinances in the City. We also support competition. For us to say we are going to restrain trade, we can't do that. There will be public hearing that you are welcome to come to.

Alder. Stellato

This issue will go in front of the plan commission tomorrow night. Ms. Bayer is welcome to speak at that meeting.

Mayor Rogina

- Happy Birthday to Alderman Turner and Alderman Lewis!
- Thanks to public works department for quick fix of water main break on Riverside Drive that was completely done by the end of the day.
- Attended the birthday celebration for Clara Van Bosch who turned 100 years young! Happy Birthday.
- St. Charles Restaurant Week is coming up February 24-28, 2014. Look for more information!!

F. Adjournment

Motion By Martin, seconded by Krieger, to adjourn meeting

VOICE VOTE

UNANIMOUS

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Nancy Garrison, City Clerk