

****Subject to approval****

**VILLAGE OF JONESVILLE
CHARTER COMMISSION
Minutes of March 12, 2014**

A Village of Jonesville Charter Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at the Jonesville Village Hall. Charter Commission Chairperson David Steel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Charter Commission members present were: John Ciaravino, Ron Hayes, Scott Leising, and Mike Venturini. Charter Commission Members Absent: Betty Fast, Les Hutchinson, Jim Marks and Jim Pope.

Also present: Manager Jeff Gray, Assistant to the Manager Tim McLean.

Ron Hayes led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

The agenda was approved with the following addition: D: the addition of Charter Commission Minutes from September 4, 2013, October 15, 2013 and October 22, 2013.

A motion was made by John Ciaravino and seconded by Ron Hayes to approve the Charter Commission minutes of September 4, 2013, September 10, 2013, October 15, 2013 and October 22, 2013. All in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding the Attorney General Review of the proposed City Charter and the amendments to the draft that were requested.

Discussion was also held regarding the possible election date for the Charter vote and for the City Council to be elected. An August 5, 2014 date is being targeted depending on the outcome from the Attorney General's office and the Governor's office. Staff indicated that the County Clerk is willing to conduct the election and is investigating the procedures to do so. Otherwise, Fayette Township would conduct the election.

A motion was made by Ron Hayes and seconded by John Ciaravino to approve Resolution 2014-01: Approval of the Proposed City Charter and Scheduling of Election. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: John Ciaravino, Ron Hayes, Scott Leising, David Steel and Mike Venturini. Nays: None. Absent: Betty Fast, Les Hutchinson, Jim Marks and Jim Pope. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Ciaravino and seconded by Mike Venturini authorize Village staff to coordinate with the Hillsdale County Clerk and/or Fayette Township to conduct the election slated for August 5, 2014 for the City Charter being passed along with the election of a City Council. All in favor. Absent: Betty Fast, Les Hutchinson, Jim Marks and Jim Pope. Motion carried.

John Ciaravino excused himself from the meeting.

Discussion continued regarding the proposed updated Information Sheet regarding Cityhood, and the possibility of Charter Commission members presenting the advantages of Cityhood to local organizations (Rotary, Lions, etc.) once the Governor has approved the City Charter. Asst. to the Manager McLean will complete the revised Information Sheet for distribution throughout the community in various ways.

Submitted by,

Cynthia D. Means
Clerk