Present: Mayor, Patrick McNew; Councilmembers Dennis Mitchell, Chuck Poploskie, Jon Cabot, Dan Jenaras; Attorney, Dan Christ; Treasurer, Julie Frakes, Police Chief, Jim Prosser; Building Official, Brian Oppmann; Clerk, Rosalie Lake
Absent: Road Commissioner, Karl Storrie
Visitors: Lee Embrey, Jr, Jim Howlett, Officer Don McLellan

Mayor McNew opened the meeting at 7 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.
The Minutes of the Meeting of August 12, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Resident Comments: Lee Embrey spoke about citizen patrols of the Lake feeling that, if there was going to be education and violations control, citizens need to be involved. Chief Prosser noted that communication with the Police Department was critical. Nothing can be done if the officers do not know about problems as they occur. Mayor McNew indicated that planning needs to be done for next year. Officer McLellan spoke about safety issues and suggested a boater safety class. He would be able to conduct such a class. Dr. Cabot felt that every boat on the Lake should be inspected so that safety equipment is available. Jim Howlett felt that publishing the boating rules month after month in the ‘Angelus’ becomes useless. Perhaps an article each month about some aspect of boating would be more valuable. The Mayor acknowledged that an accident waits in the wings.
A resident noticed the vines and dead trees near the City Hall. City Property Manager, Chuck Poploskie suggested taking down the two dead trees this fall and replacing them in the spring with funds from the Restoration Fund.
Mr. Poploskie will plan a Barn clean-up early in October to prepare for the annual party on the Saturday before Halloween.

Police Chief, Jim Prosser, gave the Department report for the month of August. The Lake level is at 950.0. The Chief had recently completed training on aiding citizens with Alzheimers disease. He reported that a politician speaking on cspan had named Lake Angelus as having participated in the federal government’s 1033 program, through which the City had purchased rifles. The speaker noted that the City had only one officer, but had received 13 rifles. Chief Prosser clarified with the Assistant Head of the government program that the City employs 13 officers and that the purchase was appropriate. Officer McLellan brought forth a Resolution to confirm the appointment of the Oakland County Emergency Management Coordinator as its Emergency Management Coordinator and designate as liaison the Lake Angelus Police Chief of Staff as the City of Lake Angelus Emergency Management Coordinator. (Whew!)
Councilmember Jenaras moved to approve the Resolution. Councilmember Cabot seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Officer Don McLellan shall be known as the Lake Angelus Police Chief of Staff and, therefore, will fill this position.

Building and Permits: Building Official, Brian Oppmann, reported on progress at the Chase residence. The pergola on the lakeside was on the approved site plan submitted after the retaining wall issue was resolved. The drainage pipe at the Incarnatis has been cut back and rip
wrap has been installed. Further landscaping is planned. Plans have been received from Andy and Deb Greenlee at 525 Gray Woods Lane. They plan to entirely remove the present house and build a new one. They will keep the boathouse on its existing footprint and put a flat roof on it. Although Mr. Oppmann had not completed his review, it appeared that the ordinances have been met. Diane Latshaw has not yet selected a builder for her project on Private Drive. Mr. Oppmann will look at the Gatmaitan boathouse regarding structural concerns. The plans for the Wegrzyn residence have been approved subject to the boundary adjustment being completed. Mr. Oppmann will advise the Planning Commission on ordinance enforcement at the next meeting.

Clerk, Rosalie Lake, asked the Council to authorize the Mayor’s signature on a letter to opt out of the Oakland County Community Block Grant program for the years 2015 through 2017. The City has not participated in the program since the early 1990s. Councilmember Cabot moved to authorize the signature to opt out. Councilmember Mitchell seconded. Motion carried unanimously. No report was received from Linda Burton. The Clerk will ask her for an update on the reassessment project. The Clerk reported that ballots for the November 4th General Election had been proofed and ordered for printing. They should be available for absentee voters by September 20th. The NoHaz collection at the OCC Highland Lakes Campus was small but successful. Two cars from Lake Angelus attended. The last collection will be held in Orion on September 20th. The City had received a Resolution adopted by the Auburn Hills City Council requesting the repeal of the recent fireworks legislation that limits local controls. Dr. Cabot asked Mr. Christ to prepare a similar Resolution to be considered by the Council.

City Property: The Clerk provided a map and a file of letters sent to residents abutting the 20’ Strip. Councilmembers Poploskie and Jenaras will walk the area again now that they have a map to note any occupation of the property by adjacent neighbors. It will be determined whether additional letters need to be sent. A Berm clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, September 13th.

Treasurer, Julie Frakes presented the financial reports for the month of August. The Balance Sheet shows the City to be $30,000 above last year at this time. Profit and Loss actual percentage was higher than the target, but all departments are in line. Mrs. Frakes reviewed the warrants. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve the financial reports noting those warrants over $500. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Frakes inquired about the Environmental Fund bank account. A separate account was needed during the years of the Taubman payments to keep track of those expenditures. The present environmental funds can be tracked without having a separate bank account. Councilmember Cabot moved to close the Environmental Fund bank account and move the funds to an account in the General Fund. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Janz and Knight and the Workman’s Comp audits are both complete. Summer taxes remain unpaid on eight parcels. The MDOT report, Annual Certification of
Employee-related Conditions, has been submitted. The City is required to have a website available with various information included. Mrs. Frakes had worked on the difficult task of putting together a performance dashboard for this purpose. Attorney Christ suggested that it may be cost effective to have Munitrix prepare this report. Mrs. Frakes will pursue this for next month.

Environmental Board: Council liaison, Dennis Mitchell, and Jim Hibbard have a meeting with Jennifer of Restorative Lake Sciences on Friday, September 12th. They will make clear to her the kinds of data that are to be collected in future herbiciding events. Sediment samples need to be taken, as well. Jennifer will take eight samples and send them out for testing for renovate and titanium. The cost for this monitoring will be $4440. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve a contract with Restorative Lake Sciences for up to $4500 for sediment testing. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

A committee has been appointed to deal with phragmites treatment and will report at the Board meeting scheduled for October 7th.

Mayor McNew reported on the Shores Road Sewer Project. It has been decided not to pursue the project at this time.

There being no further business, Councilmember Cabot moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 PM. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on October 14, 2014 at 7 PM.

Approved: Respectfully submitted,

Patrick McNew, Mayor Rosalie Lake, Clerk