Mayor Carl Kamm called the April 10, 2013, meeting of the Berlin Heights Council to order at 7:00P.M. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Members in attendance were: Marshall Cade, Matthew Caskey, Richard Close, Richard Eckel, Karen Foster, and Connie Ward. Kamm presented the minutes of the March 13, 2013 meeting for approval. Eckel moved and Foster seconded to approve the minutes as written. All present voted aye.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Edison Superintendent of Schools Tom Roth, Treasurer Ann Arnold, and concerned parent Matt Earhart attended our meeting as part of the Edison Levy Committee. They handed out informational booklets and answered questions, hoping to correct any misinformation that has been swirling about the communities. They stated with the funding cuts and tax loses they are expecting a 2.5 million dollar deficit by 2015. They encouraged council to send any constituents with questions to speak with the levy committee, or look up the Edison Levy website.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Court Fines of \$133.00, State Costs: \$0.00, DUI Fund: \$0.00, were received from Erie County Court. Chief Schafer provided the activity report for February and March.

Council was informed of the invitation to attend the 2013 Erie County Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony on May 5, at 2:00p.m., in downtown Sandusky.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

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TOTAL	\$267,287.50	TOTAL	\$29,849.95
CITIZENS BANK	<u>\$154,534.96</u>	PAYROLL	<u>\$14,712.93</u>
STAR OHIO	\$112,752.54	BILLS	\$15,137.02

Close moved and Ward seconded to pay the bills. All present voted aye.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Solicitor Strickler presented RESOLUTION 2013-R2, A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR THE RENEWAL OF A TAX LEVY FOR CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES IN EXCESS OF THE 10 MILL LIMITATION, CERTIFYING THE SAME TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF ERIE COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO REVISED CODE 5705.19(A). Ward moved and Foster seconded to adopt Resolution 2013-R2. All members of council voted yes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street- No quotes have yet been received to repair/replace certain catch basins about the village. **Park-** 3 sets of horse shoes have been purchased to go with our new pits. They will be offered to guests for a \$30 user fee per set. When shoes are returned, the money will be returned.

Restrooms will be open as of April 15. The picnic tables are starting to look bad, need repair and paint. The committee will be looking for a painter, if no volunteers can be found to handle the work. Names on the Memorial Board need to be added. It was suggested Sharon Bittner contact the painter from Norwalk to see if he is available.

Finance- The Village is having a short fall in the money department due to funding cuts. The finance committee will be working on ways to make up for the loss of monies from the State. Any ideas to help keep the village on stable ground would be greatly appreciated. Some thoughts were: a new current operating expense levy, a road & bridge levy, a police levy, a sidewalk levy, or a levy to include permanent improvements. A \$5 tax from licensing fees was also a mentioned.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion concerning the Citizen of the Year has been tabled.

A topic brought up previously, concerns operating golf carts, gaters and other vehicles on the village streets. After a lengthy discussion, Cade moved and Caskey seconded to approve Strickler looking into regulations and ordinances area villages, towns, and cities have on their books to regulate these vehicles. All voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Information was received concerning proposals for a FY 2013 CDBG project. After some discussion, it was recommended to put any new proposals on hold for 2014.

ADJOURN: 7:50P.M.

Carl J. Kamm, Mayor

Attest: Sara Hoffman, Fiscal Officer