

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order January 3, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thomas K. Striffler

Present: City Mayor Thomas K. Striffler, City Council: Dick Pouliot, Joe Greene, Mike Henry, Rick Lipan, Amanda Langmaid, Charlotte Kish

Others in Attendance: Brent Morgan – City Manager, Karen Snider – City Clerk/Treasurer, Charlie Sundblad – DPW Superintendent, Brian Newcomb – Police Chief, and other guests

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Kish, seconded by Greene to approve the agenda with an addition under Communications: 4. Mutual Aid Memo and Clerks Report: 1. School Election. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Striffler noted the communications. The Manager will get a map on where the mutual aid calls are at. Council would like to see the overall street plans as to what the city is looking at for future construction. The council would also like a list of the priorities as to upcoming capital projects such as water/sewer updates, etc.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Council Minutes – December 20, 2010
2. Policy Minutes – December 28, 2011
3. Invoices

Moved by Henry, seconded by Greene to approve the consent agenda including the invoices as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Policy Committee Recommendation – Modification of Proposed Ordinance #436 - **Moved by Greene, seconded by Henry to modify the proposed Ordinance #436 to include language that calls for the execution of a Lease Agreement that requires the City Council and event organizer approval. Motion carried.**
2. Policy Committee Recommendation – Medical Marihuana Moratorium - **Moved by Greene, seconded by Kish to have city staff draft and present to council a six-month moratorium on the issuance of permits for the sale or dispensation of medical marihuana within the City of Caro, and to have the council refer to the Planning Commission to work on a permanent ordinance. Motion carried. Will try to get an ordinance back by January 17, 2011 meeting.**
3. Renewal of Lease – 125 E. Washington – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Kish to approve entering into another one-year lease with Mr. Bradford from January 20, 2011 to January 20, 2012 with the same terms as the first lease and authorize Joseph Greene to sign said lease contingent upon a walk through by staff. Motion carried.**

4. Increase in Garbage Collection Fees - **Moved by Kish, seconded by Lipan to approve the residential rate increase to \$10.80 per residence per month and increase the commercial fee by 2% per month to be reflected on the February utility bill. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. None.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Policy – Greene explained that a policy meeting will need to be set after the Policy Chair and City Manager receive final feedback and information on their research.

MANAGER COMMENTS:

1. The manager wished everyone a Happy New Year. The manager also gave an update on Historical Grant, commented on the snow removal over the holidays and advised council that the budget process will be starting as well as union negotiations.

CLERK REPORT:

1. Caro Community Schools Election Coordinating Committee will be meeting January 5, 2011 to develop a 2-year plan for school elections. The school voted to hold their elections in November of the even years in addition to any special elections. Seven townships and the City of Caro fall within the school district. There are 8,984 registered voters in the district with the City of Caro having the largest number of voters being 3,140. Therefore, the election coordinating committee will be looking at the City of Caro Clerk to hold certain elections.

Langmaid moved, seconded by Lipan to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk