

## CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order April 18, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thomas Striffler

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

Absent: None

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

**AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Kish to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Kappen Tree Service – Jason Kappen and DTE Line Clearance Facilitator, Jim Owens – Mr. Owens is responsible for the tree work in our area. The work is contracted to Kappen Tree Service. Kappens will report to the DPW. DTE will be trimming approximately 75 miles of right-of-ways. The plan is to start in about two weeks and be completed in July. DTE is mandated by the Public Service Commission to trim the trees. They will clean up any tree limbs or debris caused by them as long as they are not diseased.

### COMMUNICATION:

Mayor Striffler noted the communications.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes – Special Minutes and Regular Council Minutes – April 4, 2011
2. Policy Committee Minutes – April 6, 2011
3. Invoices
4. Department Reports
  - a. Police Report – Chief Brian Newcomb
  - b. Fire Report – Chief David Mattlin
  - c. Parks & Recreation – (Unavailable)
  - d. DPW/Water Report – Charles Sundblad
  - e. Blight Report – Jerry Thorp
  - f. WWTP – Curtis Wells
  - g. Municipal Parking Violations Bureau Report – Karen Snider

**Moved by Greene, seconded by Langmaid to approve the consent agenda including the invoices for payment as presented. Motion carried.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:** (action required)

1. Draft Ordinance #436 – Set Public Hearing – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Lipan to acknowledge draft ordinance #436 as the first read and set the Public Hearing on Ordinance #436 for May 2, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.**
2. Request from Caro Chamber of Commerce – Cars & Crafts Weekend 2011 - **Moved by Henry, seconded by Greene to approve the request from the Caro Chamber of Commerce to host their Cars & Crafts Weekend June 3 & 4, 2011. Motion carried.**
3. Banner Request from Tuscola County Senior Alliance – Senior Fair –**Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Henry to approve the banner request from the Tuscola County Senior Alliance for their Senior Fair from June 6 – 17, 2011. Motion carried.**
4. Banner Request from Caro Chamber of Commerce – Cars & Crafts – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Langmaid to approve the banner request from the Caro Chamber of Commerce for Cars & Crafts weekend from May 23-June 6, 2011. Motion carried.**
5. MI Tech Tooling Request for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption – Set Public Hearing - **Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Henry to set a public hearing on the Application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate for May 16, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.**
6. R&S Tool & Die Request for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption – Set Public Hearing – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Kish to set a public hearing on the Application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate for May 16, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.**
7. Bids for Video Inspection of Sewers – **Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Lipan to award the bid for the Video Inspection of Sewers to Pipeline Services in the amount of \$.63 per linear foot in an estimated amount of \$16,632 for approximately 5 miles and if problem areas are identified then they will be video inspected also at the discretion of the City Manager and the DPW Superintendent. Motion carried.**

**ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:**

1. None

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:**

1. Parks & Recreation – Langmaid presented several options on behalf of the Parks & Recreation Committee. Parks & Recreation will be meeting with the Athletic Director from the school on April 20, 2011. Concern was expressed regarding the fees for city residents versus non-city residents. The Mayor suggested that the Parks & Recreation Committee bring back a written outlined request at the next meeting after they have had the opportunity to meet with the school athletic director.

2. Planning – The Planning Commission worked on a couple draft ordinances regarding the medical marihuana ordinance and a public hearing has been set.
3. DDA – Minutes were in packet. Liaison Henry reiterated the main points.
4. Policy – Continuing with the review of fair board lease. City Manager, Greene and Tonkins met to discuss lease. The Policy Committee will be setting up another policy meeting in conjunction with a committee from the fair board.

**MANAGER COMMENTS:**

1. The manager reported that the RFP went out for the DDA seasonal work. The City should be hearing back from the State regarding the grant for E. Burnside parking lot. The manager received a copy of the fair board's audit. Staff is working on the budget. The city offices will be closed Good Friday.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

1. None

Budget meeting April 25, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Herb Sheardy commented on the potential blockage of store fronts during Cars & Crafts and Parks & Recreation.

Closed Session: Client/Attorney Privilege for Purpose of Division of Assets - **Moved by Lipan, seconded by Langmaid to go into closed session at 9:20 p.m. for Client/Attorney Privilege for the purpose of Division of Assets. Motion carried.**

Returned from closed session at 9:35 p.m.

**Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Henry to approve the Resolution to Authorize the Filing of the Declaratory Judgment. Roll Call Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention (Kish). Motion carried.**

**Moved by Henry, seconded by Kish to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk/Treasurer