

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order June 20, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Thomas Striffler

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

Absent: None

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:

COMMUNICATION:

Mayor Striffler noted the communications.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes – Regular Council Minutes – June 6, 2011
2. Policy Committee Minutes – May 9, 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 Henry, seconded by Greene to approve the consent agenda including the invoices for payment as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Budget Amendments FY 10-11 – **Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Kish to approve the City of Caro Resolution of Adoption for the FY 10-11 Budget Amendments as presented. 7 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.**
2. Roadhouse Electrical Bids – **Moved by Lipan, seconded by Kish to award the electrical upgrades to the Caro Roadhouse to Ken Martin Electric, Inc. in the total amount of \$2,925. Motion carried.**

3. Tuscola County Fair Grounds Property Lease – **Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Kish to approve the Tuscola County Fair Grounds Property Lease and to change the termination date to 2016. Motion carried.**
4. Personal Property Tax Collection – **Moved by Pouliot, seconded by Langmaid to allow the county treasurer to collect all delinquent taxes for the City of Caro per letter from county treasurer dated June 20, 2011. Motion carried.**
5. Banner Request – Tuscola County Relay for Life – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Greene to approve the request from the American Cancer Society to hang banners for the Tuscola County Relay for Life from August 15 – 22, 2011. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. None

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Fair Booth Update – Greene provided a sign up sheet for the fair booth.
2. Parks & Recreation – The manager reported that he had a meeting with the Mayor and representatives from Cass City to review the joint agreement. The first Outdoor Family Movie Night was held June 17 featuring *Despicable Me*. The Caro Rotary Club (and foundation) provided funds for a new Disc Golf course. Music in Atwood Park is going extremely well.
3. DDA Special – DDA gave their approval to go out to bid on the E. Burnside Rehabilitation Parking Lot project.
4. Roadhouse – Kish reported that the recent storm destroyed the small pear or apple tree next to the parking lot and stone sidewalk in the Roadhouse front yard. They would like a new fruit tree planted. Council felt fall would be a better planting time. There appears to be a hole under the west cement porch where woodchucks are making their home. The bushes in the garden at the beginning of the stone sidewalk in the front yard need to be trimmed or pruned if anyone has time. The weeds around the trees and flagpole need pulled. The grass is getting long and needs mowed.
5. The Natural Resources Conservation Service will be holding a meeting at Double Tree Hotel in Bay City on June 22, 2011 from 1- 4 p.m. The intent of the meeting is to gather input into the implementation of President Obama's America's Great Outdoors initiative.
6. SEMCOG will host a Grants Management workshop in August.

MANAGER COMMENTS:

1. The City Manager gave an update on the secondary digester cover. It has been completely removed. Will be meeting with AFSCME this week. The manager got an update from the DPW regarding the video taping of the sewers and reported that they are approximately ,9000 feet completed. There has only been one spot where they found a problem and that is a cracked pipe. Several rooted areas, some manholes that have water seeping in. There are some lines that they will need to video again after they are cleaned and some of these areas may be bad. The manager will meet with the city attorney regarding an update on lift station 10. Also Councilperson Greene and

the manager met with the city attorney for an update on the medical marihuana ordinance.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1. The newsletter should be ready to mail out next week. Also, tax bills will be mailed no later than June 30. The Parks & Recreation information will be linked from the Caro website to Cass City as soon as the information becomes available. Langmaid is working on the Punt, Pass & Kick flyer.

Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Lipan to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk/Treasurer