

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order October 7, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Dick Pouliot

Present: City Mayor Dick Pouliot, City Council: Mike Henry, Joseph Greene, Rick Lipan, Amanda Langmaid, Gordon Taggett

Absent: Charlotte Kish

Others in Attendance: Jared Olson – City Manager, Karen Snider – City Clerk/Treasurer and other guests

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

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS: Mr. Louis Smallwood of the Tuscola County Planning Commission, introduced himself and left a packet of information. The Tuscola County Planning Commission meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioner Conference room of the Purdy Building unless otherwise specified.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Election Date Change- Mayor Pouliot opened the public hearing at 7:32 p.m. The Mayor explained the City of Caro presently holds its regular election for local offices in November of the odd year. Public Act 523 of 2012 permits a city council to adopt a resolution to change the odd year elections set forth in city charters to even years. This could save the City as much as \$3,500 each odd year by going to the even year elections.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT – None. Have name to Clerk by October 30 for November 4 meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS: Noted.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Council Minutes - September 16, 2013
2. Invoices

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

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Public Hearing – Additional Public/Council Comments - Close Public Hearing – Mr. Sheardy feels it only makes sense to make the change. No further Council comment. **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Taggett to close the public hearing on the Election Date Change. Motion carried.**
2. Decision on Public Hearing – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Greene to adopt the Resolution of the City of Caro to change the date on which it holds its regular**

- election for local offices from November odd year to the November even year election date. Roll Call Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Kish). Motion carried.**
3. Sherman Street Contract Modification –**Moved by Lipan, seconded by Langmaid to approve the MDOT contract modification to lower the contract amount by \$4,901.60 which brings the total contract cost to \$706,736.45. Motion carried.**
 4. MDOT Contract – Columbia Street - **Moved by Greene, seconded by Langmaid to adopt the resolution authorizing the City Manager and Clerk to execute the documents relating to the Columbia Street Reconstruction Project. Roll Call Vote: 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent (Kish). Motion carried.**
 5. Request to Hang Banner – Chamber of Commerce Gingerbread Village Festival – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Lipan to approve the Banner request from the Chamber of Commerce Gingerbread Village Festival from November 25 – December 9, 2013. Motion carried.**
 6. Municipal Code Supplement No. 2 – **Moved by Taggett, seconded by Greene to authorize the City Clerk to proceed with the second supplement to the Code of Ordinances in an approximate amount of \$1,008. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. None

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Historical – None
2. Airport Authority made over \$9,000 minus the commission and advertising from the Sheriff's auction that will go into the general fund of the Airport Authority.
3. MML Annual Conference – Greene gave an update on the conference. Had parade of flags. Excellence award was Iron Mountain.

MANAGER COMMENTS: The sheriff's auction was a success with the City making \$2,330 minus fees and advertising. The trucks will go live on Wednesday at www.Publicsurplus.com. The Monroe Street project is completed. The contractor finished the paving project and no gravel was required for the sides of the street. The final price came in around \$33,000 which is \$10,000 under our contractor estimate. The kick off meeting for the Master Plan will be the first planning meeting in November. The hydraulic pump had to be replaced in the Vac truck. It had to come from a manufacturer in Florida and was repaired by Rasmussen trucking. **Moved by Henry, seconded by Taggett to approve the amount of \$7,800 for the repair of the vac truck. Motion carried.** Requests have been made by the Exchange Club and the Gun Club regarding their lease agreements and the manager recommended referring to committee.

CLERK REPORT: The auditors will be meeting with the Clerk and City Manager to do a preliminary audit report on October 16. The Clerk would request a Finance meeting of the whole scheduled on October 21 at 7:00 p.m. to review the final report and placed on the agenda of Council the same night. **Moved by Henry, seconded by Langmaid to set a Finance**

Committee of the Whole for the purpose of the audit review for October 21, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Sheardy questioned why the entire Monroe Street was not done. Also inquired as to the results of the railroad tracks.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk