

## CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order December 16, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Dick Pouliot

Present: Mayor Dick Pouliot, Council Members: Mike Henry, Joe Greene, Amanda Langmaid, Gordon Taggett

Absent: Charlotte Kish, Rick Lipan

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS** – Gary Rolka questioned stop signs at Montague, Butler and Green Streets.

**COMMUNICATION:** Noted by Mayor Pouliot.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Minutes – Regular Council Minutes December 2, 2013
2. Invoices
3. Department Reports
  - a. Police Report – Chief Brian Newcomb
  - b. Fire Report – Chief Randall Heckroth
  - c. Parks & Recreation – Not Available
  - 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. Resolution For Renewable Fuel Standard – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Langmaid to approve the Resolution opposing the proposed Environmental Protection Agency 2014 Reduction of Renewable Volume Obligation of Corn Ethanol. Roll Call: 5 yes, 0 No, 2 absent (Kish, Lipan). Motion carried.**
2. Banner Request - **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Henry to approve the banner request from the Caro 150 Winter Fest to hang a banner from January 6–20, 2014. Motion carried.**
3. Historical Building Roof Repair - TACA – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Greene to approve the bid of \$2,225 from Rickwalt Building Solutions to repair**

**the Bell Tower roof on the TACA building, with the understanding that TACA will contribute \$1,112.50 to the project and that budget line item 101-266-970-001 be amended to \$2,225. 1 abstention (Henry). Motion carried.**

**ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:**

1. None.

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:**

1. Business Spotlight – January 6, 2014

**MANAGER COMMENTS:**

The Manager reported that a pre-con meeting was held to discuss the Columbia Street Project. We did not receive the DIG grant; however will try again when it is available. The Fire Chief applied for Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the FEMA Program with a 5% match to upgrade all the self-contained breathing apparatus. Looking at the possibility of transitioning the street lights to LED. Officer Strasz applied for a Wal-Mart Grant through the Caro Police Department and was awarded \$1,000 which is used at Wal-Mart for children to shop with a Hometown Hero on Tuesday, December 17 at 7 p.m. The insurance adjuster was out and verified that the fire at the fairgrounds was a 100% loss. The building will be torn down and rebuilt according to the insurance guidelines and recommendations.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

The Clerk informed Council that the City offices will be closed December 24, 25, 31 and January 1. The clerk will be out of the office December 26, 27 and 30. Council Per Diem checks will be issued December 23, 2013 due to the holidays.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Sheardy questioned the parking tickets. James Kwasny for business spotlight at the Old Castle location. Question regarding the fire at the fairgrounds.

**Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Taggett to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk