

## CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order November 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Dick Pouliot

Present: Council Members: Mayor Dick Pouliot, Mayor Pro Tem Mike Henry, Joe Greene, Amanda Langmaid, Charlotte Kish, Rick Lipan, Gordon Taggett

Absent: None

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS/VISITORS: None

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - Proposed Ordinance #456 – Amends Sec. 44-512 (Recreational Vehicles) of City Code

Mr. Sheardy questioned if this ordinance pertains to automobiles.

PRESENTATION: Tri Star – Investment of Defined Benefit – Jane Hagen and Steven Witten – **Moved by Kish, seconded by Greene to keep the Village of Caro (City) portfolio the same as last year. Roll Call: 7 Yes, 0 No. Motion carried.**

COMMUNICATION: The Mayor noted the resignation of Mike Kennedy and thanked him for his outstanding contributions to the City of Caro Fire Department.

### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Regular Council Minutes – November 3, 2014
2. Finance Minutes – November 13, 2014
3. Invoices
4. Department Reports
  - a. Police Report – Chief Brian Newcomb
  - b. Fire Report – Chief Randall Heckroth
  - c. Parks & Recreation – Not Available
  - d. DPW/Water Report – Charlie Sundblad
  - e. Blight Report – Jerry Thorp
  - f. WWTP – Curtis Wells
  - g. Municipal Parking Violations Bureau Report – Karen Snider

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

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Additional Public/Council discussion on Proposed Ordinance #456 – The City Manager explained that All Weather Surface is defined in Webster’s Dictionary.
2. Motion to Close Public Hearing on Proposed Ordinance #456 – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Kish to close the public hearing on proposed ordinance #456. Motion carried.**
3. Decision on Proposed Ordinance #456 - **Moved by Greene, seconded by Kish to adopt Ordinance #456 – An Ordinance Amending Sec. 44-512 of the City Code of Ordinances. 6 Yes, 1 No (Taggett). Motion carried.**
4. Historical Commission Bylaws – **Moved by Kish, seconded by Langmaid to adopt the Historical Commission Bylaws as presented. Motion carried.**
5. Police Car Purchase – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Taggett to authorize the purchase of the 2015 Ford Interceptor SUV from Moore Motors at the cost of \$28,825 with a trade in of \$1,850 for a total bottom line cost of \$26,975 and the approval of \$1,080 for the purchase of Road Ready Equipment from Chief Supply Inc. and the installation cost of \$1,145 at NAPA Auto in Caro along with approving the decal expenditure from Larsen Graphics in the amount of \$350. Motion carried.**
6. City of Caro Slogan – A proposed slogan for the City of Caro was discussed. The Mayor stated that this item will be put on the next Council agenda to take action. Council members need to have their suggestions to the City Clerk by November 25.
7. Request to Transfer Funds – Neal Sisters Foundation – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Langmaid to authorize the City Treasurer to move the previous \$3,000 grant from the Neals Sisters Foundation from the Trail Expansion line 101-000-005-000 to the Park Playground line #101-000-005-005. Motion carried.**
8. Chamber of Commerce – Gingerbread Village – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Taggett to approve the request from the Caro Chamber of Commerce for the Gingerbread Village event for December, 2014. Motion carried.**
9. Committee Appointments – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Kish to accept the appointments and terms as stated by the City Mayor. Motion carried.**
10. Budget Transfers – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Langmaid to authorize the City Clerk to make the proposed budget transfers. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. None.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Business Spotlight – December 1, 2014 – Caro Community Schools

**MANAGER COMMENTS:** The soil borings will be completed this Friday. We were notified that we will get \$199,000 for the Luder Road Grant project, the DDA snowflake decorations will be going up after Thanksgiving. December 1, 2014 is no parking on the streets and this has been published in the paper and will be published the first of every month during the no parking requirement. The sidewalk assessments will be worked on January, February and March. Letters will be going out to merchants regarding snow removal this week.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** The closing is completed on the refinance of the fire truck and the savings was even better than anticipated. By not waiting for a twelve month annual period and setting our payment in April, we went from an estimated savings on interest and closing costs of \$6,793 to \$8,754. The CD renewal transactions have been completed and all CD's are set for another 12 months.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT** – Mr. Sheardy reported that there are 16 street lights out, inquired about status of Kester Street, and questioned status of cash accounts. The County Clerk, Jodi Fetting, attended the Council meeting as part of her LEAD Tuscola assignment.

**Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Lipan to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk