

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

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

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

Absent: None

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS – None

PRESENTATION: Retirement for Gerard Schniers, DPW Employee – Due to the weather, this will be on the March 3, 2014 agenda.

COMMUNICATION: Noted by Mayor Pouliot.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes – Regular Council Minutes – February 3, 2014
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 Henry, seconded by Kish to approve the consent agenda including the invoices for payment as presented. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Historical Commission - Letter from Attorney Crews – Discussion took place regarding the letter from the City Attorney Crews. A proposed ordinance will be presented to establish the Historical Commission and Council can decide after review of the proposed ordinance which direction they would like to go.
2. Appointments to Historical Commission - **Moved by Lipan, seconded by Taggett to table the appointments to the Historical Commission until after the proposed Ordinance is read and adopted. Motion carried.**

3. Budget Transfers and Amendments – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Taggett to approve the budget transfers and amendments as presented by the Clerk/Treasurer. Motion carried.**
4. MML Membership Renewal – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Kish to approve payment of the MML Dues for the membership period 04/01/2014 – 03/31/2015 in the amount of \$2,825. Motion carried.**
5. MDOT Cost Agreement – M-81 and Burnside – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Greene to approve the City of Caro and Michigan Department of Transportation Cost Agreement for Traffic Signal Control at M-81 and Burnside Street with an estimated annual cost of \$768 with the City of Caro paying 50% of the annual cost. Motion carried.**
6. Mutual Aid Review – Set Policy Committee of the Whole – **Moved by Henry, seconded by Kish to set a Policy Committee of the Whole for the purpose of reviewing the mutual aid policy for March 3, 2014 at 6 p.m. Motion carried.**
7. Request for Banner – Tuscola Sr. Alliance – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Lipan to approve the request from the Tuscola Sr. Alliance to hang a banner for the Tuscola Senior Health Fair from June 9 – June 20, 2014. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. Set Finance Committee of the Whole – Tuscola County Conservation Lease – Not ready to complete this item. Will be taken off the table.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Rebuttal to State Boundary Commission – Mayor Pouliot explained that this is the rebuttal to Indianfields Township 30-day rebuttal that was sent to the State Boundary Commission by the City of Caro’s attorney. Mayor Pouliot explained the process from this point and entertained questions.
2. Business Spotlight – March 3, 2014 – Shelson Natural Health L.L.C.

MANAGER COMMENTS:

The Manager reported that DPW got their new DPW truck. It will be getting outfitted this week. RFP’s will be going out for mowing and recreational programming shortly. Reminded Council that he will be out of the office March 18-20 for the MML conference, as well as Kish and Greene. There is anticipated to be a 15% increase in EVIP funding and if we qualify, it could mean an increase to the City in about \$15,000 for the next fiscal year. Gave an update on LED light at Frank Street. It is .7 foot candle for LED compared to .39 foot candle for current fixture. Will also be oblong and not round due to shape of cobra head.

CLERK’S REPORT:

The Clerk informed Council that the Disabled Veteran’s Exemption pursuant to P.A. 161 of 2013 deadline for the 2013 tax year has been extended and can be heard at the July Board of Review.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT – None

Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Taggett to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk