

CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular meeting called to order March 3, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Dick Pouliot

Present: City Mayor Dick Pouliot, City Council: Mike Henry, Joseph Greene, Charlotte Kish, Rick Lipan, Amanda Langmaid, 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 Langmaid, seconded by Kish to approve the agenda with one addition under committee/liaison: 3. Personnel. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS: None

PRESENTATION: Retirement of Gerard Schniers – DPW Employee – Mr. Schniers was presented with a plaque and clock from the City Mayor, City Manager and DPW Superintendent Charlie Sundblad in recognition of his 36 years of service to the City of Caro.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: Shelson Natural Health L.L.C. – Shelson Natural Health, owned and operated by Dr. Matthew J. Shelson, N.D., D. PSc opened their doors last fall at 21 N. Almer Street, Caro, MI. Dr. Shelson provides a holistic and naturopathic approach to medicine. Their office hours are Monday 12-7 p.m., Tuesday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Thursday 12 – 7 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. You can contact Shelson Natural Health, LLC at 989-672-2600.

COMMUNICATIONS: Noted.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Council Minutes - February 17, 2014
2. Invoices

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

REGULAR AGENDA: (action required)

1. Cleaning Contract – **Moved by Greene, seconded by Kish to award the cleaning services to Maid to Order at a weekly rate of \$294.12. Motion carried.**
2. Exchange Club Stewardship Agreement – **Moved by Kish, seconded by Greene to approve the Stewardship Agreement between the City of Caro and the Caro Exchange Club as presented and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement as presented. Roll Call: 7 yes, 0 no. Motion carried.**

3. Traffic Control Order 2014-01 – **Moved by Langmaid, seconded by Kish to approve the traffic order 2014-01 so that the Department of Public Works can make appropriate accommodations for installation of signage. Motion carried.**

ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:

1. None

COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:

1. Parks & Recreation – Langmaid reported that the Parks and Recreation Committee met on February 20 and discussed the vacancy, the RFP for the Parks and Recreations Seasonal programs, and facilities improvement.
2. Business Spotlight – April 7, 2014 – Kwasny Automotive
3. Personnel – Chairperson Greene reported that the City Manager and City Clerk had their performance evaluations done and both were above average.

MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager reported that RFP's are going out for noxious weeds, city wide mowing, Downtown Development Seasonal Maintenance and the Parks and Recreation seasonal programs. It has been very busy getting ready for spring. The Historical Commission proposed ordinance will be upcoming. Attorney Crews has been out of the office the last few weeks. The old decorations have been put on the website for sale. The manager explained the 100% reimbursement of personal property taxes.

CLERK REPORT: The Notice of Assessments, Taxable Valuation and Property Classification Notice should have been received in the mail today. The Board of Review is March 17-18 to hear protests regarding resident's assessments.

Additional Public Comment: Mr. Sheardy is glad to see the City hired a local cleaning contractor.

Henry moved, seconded by Kish to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Karen J. Snider, City Clerk