

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARO CITY COUNCIL**  
**October 21, 2024, 6:30 P.M.**  
**Council Chambers, 317 S. State St., Caro, MI 48723**

Mayor Karen Snider called the regular meeting of the City Council to order on October 21, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Karen Snider, City Council: Emily Campbell, Pamela Iseler, Charlotte Kish, Doreen Oedy, and Jill White

Absent: Gregory Hutchison

Others: Scott Czasak – City Manager, Rita Papp – City Clerk, Brian Newcomb – Police Chief, and other guests

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

**24-M-235**

**Motion by Iseler, seconded by Kish to approve the agenda as presented.**

**Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:**

Don Hall – Commented on snow removal ordinance, blight mowings, and trees.

Resident – Commented on Montague Street.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes
2. Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – Unapproved
3. Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes - Unapproved

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – October 7, 2024
2. Invoices
3. Department Reports
  - A. Police Report – Chief Brian Newcomb
  - B. Fire Report – Chief Randall Heckroth
  - C. Code Enforcement Report – Randall Heckroth

**24-M-236**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Iseler to approve the consent agenda as presented including invoices.**

**Motion Carried.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:** (action required)

1. Light Pole Replacements

**24-M-237**

**Motion by White, seconded by Iseler to approve the purchase of 11 light poles and bases from Medler Electric Co #3 for the quoted price of \$39,600.00.**

**Motion carried.**

2. Investment Maturing #1

**24-M-238**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Iseler to keep the CD at Independent Bank for a 179-day term at 4.12%.**  
**Motion carried.**

3. Investment Maturing #2

**24-M-239**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Iseler to keep the CD at Independent Bank for a 179-day term at 4.12%.**  
**Motion carried.**

**ITEMS PENDING/POSTPONED:** **None**

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:**

1. Economic Development Corporation (Mayor Snider) – Allocation letter received, Mayor and City Manager researching the contract proposed by EDC, EDC Director to give a presentation to council.
2. Chamber of Commerce (Manager) – Discussed budgets and future events.
3. Downtown Development Authority (Kish) – DDA hired Lauren Amellal for Interim Farmers Market Manager for the remainder of October. Special Meeting was held to discuss the DDA Executive position & Treasurer position. A Personnel Committee was formed. Music in the Park was given back to Parks & Recreation.
4. Fair Board (Iseler) — Discussed long term camping, Annual Meeting will be held October 29, 2024, Neil Jackson will give a presentation to council in December.
5. Parks & Recreation (White) – Chippewa Landing Event was successful. Fall Cleanup is scheduled for November 2, 2024.
6. Planning Commission (Hutchison) – No meeting. Vacancy is posted.
7. Tuscola County Board of Commissioners (Iseler) – Controller has resigned. Former controller was hired as interim under a new title.
8. Zoning Board of Appeals (Mayor Snider) – No meeting.
9. Indianfields Township (Manager) – No action taken on EDC allocation request. Discussed roads. Not renewing MTA membership. Winter taxes to be handled by County Treasurer.
10. Almer Township (Campbell) – No report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT** – Written report submitted.  
Announced the passing of Dick Fullmer.

**MANAGER'S COMMENTS** – Written report submitted.  
Local streets analysis has been completed.  
Update on Starbucks provided.

**CLERK'S REPORT** – Written report submitted.  
Early Voting starts Saturday, October 26, 2024.  
100 feet campaigning boundary will be marked by the end of this week.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Written report submitted.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Don Hall – Commented on money in the City accounts, employee turn over issues, and City taxes.

**24-M-240**

**Motion by Iseler, seconded by Oedy to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

Rita Papp  
City Clerk