

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARO CITY COUNCIL**  
**August 4, 2025, 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 August 4, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Karen Snider, City Council: Emily Campbell, Charlotte Kish, Doreen Oedy, Heidi Parker, and Jill White.

Absent: None

Others: Scott Czasak – City Manager, Rita Papp – City Clerk, and other guests.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

**25-M-163**

**Motion by White, seconded by Campbell, to approve the agenda as presented along with the change to move Additional Public Comments before the Closed Session.**

**Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:**

Nancy Ault – Commented on the deer issue in the city.

**PRESENTATION:**

1. DNR Regarding Deer Situation

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes
2. Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes to Channel Line Up
3. DDA Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2025

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – July 21, 2025
2. Invoices

**25-M-164**

**Motion by Campbell, seconded by Parker, to approve the consent agenda as presented including invoices.**

**Motion Carried.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

1. Deer Situation  
Council had an in-depth conversation on the deer issue. Concerns on why the council hasn't resolved the feral cat issue first. DNR will provide more information to the City Manager on the options to control the deer. Council requested that the residents be provided with information on the options to control deer.

2. Municipal Lease Purchase Proposal

**25-M-165**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Campbell, to approve the lease of two vehicles for the Police Department, 2026 Chevrolet Silverado from Burt Watson for an annual lease payment of \$8,772.93 and a 2026 Ford Police Interceptor from Moore Motors for an annual lease payment of \$12,007.45 and authorize the signing of the documents.**

**Roll call vote: Campbell – yes, Kish – yes, Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, White – yes, Mayor Snider – yes. Motion carried.**

3. Fire Hall Bathroom Bids

**25-M-166**

**Motion by Oedy, seconded by Campbell, to accept the proposal from Great Lakes Bay Construction to revitalize the Fire Department Bathroom for the bid price of \$10,800.00 and authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents.**

**Roll call vote: Kish – yes, Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, White – yes, Campbell – yes, Mayor Snider – yes. Motion carried**

4. Department of Public Works Bathroom Bids

**25-M-167**

**Motion by Parker, seconded by Campbell, to accept the proposal from Great Lakes Bay Construction to renovate the Department of Public Works Bathroom for the bid price of \$83,800.00 and authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents.**

**Roll call vote: Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, White – yes, Campbell – yes, Kish – yes, Mayor Snider – yes. Motion carried**

5. Well 3A Development Bids

**25-M-168**

**Motion by Oedy, seconded by Campbell, to accept the proposal from WSP USA, Inc to conduct a hydrogeological investigation and develop a work plan for EGLE for the proposed price of \$5,610.00 and authorize the City Manager to sign all required documents.**

**Roll call vote: Parker – yes, White – yes, Campbell – yes, Kish – yes, Oedy – yes, Mayor Snider – yes. Motion carried**

6. DPW Dump Truck Bed

**25-M-169**

**Motion by Campbell, seconded by Parker, to purchase and install a dump box from STE Truck for the quoted price of \$18,745.00.**

**Roll call vote: White – yes, Campbell – yes, Kish – yes, Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, Mayor Snider – yes. Motion carried.**

7. Schedule Special Meeting

Special Council Meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. to interview City Council Candidates.

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:** None

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

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

Gave an update on website, well # 6 and was accepted into the Michigan Infrastructure Councils Asset Management Champions Program.

**CLERK'S REPORT** – No report

Announced that there is no election in November.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Brenda Peters – Commented on departing firefighters and the concern of no communication from Council.

Bob Eschenbacher – Commented on the deer and cat issues and the concern of issuing block permits for the elimination of deer.

Lori Krywko – Concerned with the sidewalk project.

Vicky Brown – Commented that DPW could water the fresh seeded lawns from the sidewalk project.

Tanya Batschke – Concerned with the sidewalk project.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Pursuant to Section 8 (d) of the Open Meetings Act – “To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained.”

**25-M-170**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Parker, to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8 (d) of the Open Meetings Act – “To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease that real property is obtained.”**

**Roll call vote: Campbell – yes, Kish – yes, Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, White – yes, Mayor Snider – yes.**

**Motion carried**

Entered Closed Session: 8:28 p.m.

**25-M-171**

**Motion by Parker, seconded by Oedy, to return to Open Session at 8:40 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

Reconvened to Open Session: 8:40 p.m.

**25-M-172**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Campbell, to approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes as presented.**

**Motion carried.**

**25-M-173**

**Motion by Oedy, seconded by Parker, to reject the proposed offer.**

**Motion carried.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilor Charlotte Kish – Commented on concerns with the sidewalk project & receiving resident comments on the tree roots. City Manager is addressing the issue with the contractor. Discussion followed.

Councilor Doreen Oedy – Commented on the departing firefighters. Discussion followed.

Councilor Heidi Parker – Inquired on getting more information on eliminating feral cats.

**25-M-174**

**Motion by White, seconded by Parker, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

Rita Papp  
City Clerk