

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARO CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 3, 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 March 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

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

Absent: None

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

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

**25-M-37**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Oedy to approve the agenda as presented with additions of #4.**

**Communications – Councilor Doreen Oedy Comments & #7. Regular Agenda – Set Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

**Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

None

**PRESENTATION:**

1. Exchange Club Forest Annual Update – June Kennedy
2. Burt Watson Lease Presentation – Ben Spreeman

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Downtown Development Authority Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2025 (unapproved)
2. Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes – December 10, 2024
3. Caro Roadhouse Museum and Historical Society Annual Progress Report 2024
4. Councilor Doreen Oedy Comments

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Regular Council Meeting Minutes – February 17, 2025
2. Invoices

**25-M-38**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Campbell to approve the consent agenda as presented including invoices and with amendments to Regular Council Meeting Minutes – February 17, 2025.**

**Motion Carried.**

**REGULAR AGENDA:** (action required)

1. WWTP Superintendent Employment Contract – Trent T. Stockman

**25-M-39**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Campbell to approve and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to sign the employment contract with Trent T. Stockman to be the Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent as presented pending successful completion of his background check and pre-employment medical screening.**

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

**Motion carried.**

2. Recreation Passport Grant Resolution

**25-M-40**

**Motion by Oedy, seconded by White to approve and adopt Resolution 2025-02, authorizing the submission of a Recreation Passport Grant Application to rebuild the tennis courts at Bieth Park with a maximum match contribution of \$200,000.00 as presented.**

**Roll call vote: Hutchison – yes, Kish – no, Oedy – yes, Parker – yes, White – yes, Campbell – yes, Mayor Snider – no.**

**Motion carried**

3. Old Police Station Parking Lot Bids

**25-M-41**

**Motion by Campbell, seconded by Parker to approve and award the Old Police Station Parking Lot contract to T.G. Priehs, LLC for the bid amount of \$346,370.00 and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents to facilitate the project.**

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

**Motion carried**

4. Sidewalk Bid Discussion

**25-M-42**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Oedy to instruct the City Manager to add the remainder of Monroe Street to the sidewalk project as presented.**

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

**Motion carried**

5. Investment Maturing #1

**25-M-43**

**Motion by White, seconded by Campbell to move the CDARS in the amount of \$262,126.62 from Northstar Bank to Huntington Bank for 52 weeks at 4.05%.**

**Motion carried**

**25-M-44**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Parker to reconsider Motion 25-M-43, Investment Maturing #1.  
Motion carried**

**25-M-45**

**Motion by White, seconded by Hutchison to leave the CDARS in the amount of \$262,126.62 at  
Huntington Bank for 52 weeks at 4.05%.  
Motion carried**

6. Investment Maturing #2

**25-M-46**

**Motion by Kish, seconded by Campbell to move the CDARS in the amount of \$528,102.18 from  
Northstar Bank to Huntington Bank for 52 weeks at 4.05%.  
Motion carried**

7. Set Committee of the Whole Meeting

Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:** None

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

Discussion on the status of the Planning Commission Meeting on fairgrounds & location of EDC meetings and office.

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

Announced the Citizen of the Year Event with the Chamber of Commerce.

Commented on the resident calls inquiring about having chickens in the city.

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

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Councilor Heidi Parker – Inquired on sign permit process.

Councilor Jill White – Inquired on LJ Garage property.

Councilor Doreen Oedy – Inquired on Tubby's property.

**25-M-47**

**Motion by Oedy, seconded by White to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.  
Motion carried.**

Rita Papp  
City Clerk