

## CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

Mayor Joe Greene called the regular meeting of the City Council to order on January 4, 2021 at 7:31 p.m. electronically via Zoom Video Communications (Meeting ID: 978 1250 3407)

Present: Mayor Joe Greene, City Council: Kory Batschke, Emily Campbell, Bob Eschenbacher, Don Hall, Tisha Jones-Holubec, and Jill White

Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Matthew Lane – City Manager, Sara Savage – Clerk/Treasurer and other guests

### **AGENDA APPROVAL:**

#### **21-M-001**

**Motion by Eschenbacher, seconded by White to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call: Batschke – yes, Campbell – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, White – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:**

City Manager Matthew Lane stated he received phone calls from Bill Bortel and Mr. Blakely against allowing recreational marihuana businesses in the city.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Noted.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Finance Committee Minutes – December 21, 2020
2. Regular Council Minutes – December 21, 2020
3. Invoices

#### **21-M-002**

**Motion by Jones-Holubec, seconded by Eschenbacher to approve the consent agenda including the invoices. Roll call: Campbell – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, White – yes, Batschke – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

### **REGULAR AGENDA:** (action required)

1. Dog Park Equipment Purchase

#### **21-M-003**

**Motion by White, seconded by Jones-Holubec to approve purchase of dog park equipment from Dog-On-It Parks in the amount of \$7,086 and complete the necessary budget adjustments. Roll call: Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, White – yes, Batschke – yes, Campbell – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

2. Firefighter Equipment/Grant Purchase

#### **21-M-004**

**Motion by Jones-Holubec, seconded by Hall to approve the purchase of Rescue 42 Struts with Jacks from Apollo Fire Equipment Company in the amount of \$7,620 and complete necessary budget adjustment to recognize the revenue from the Firefighters Associations and the corresponding expense in the fire fund. Roll call: Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, White – yes, Batschke – yes, Campbell – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

3. Story Walk Partnership with Caro Area District Library

**21-M-005**

**Motion by Eschenbacher, seconded by Hall to approve the City's continued participation in the StoryWalk Program and allow the Caro Area District Library to implement the project in Bieth Park. Roll call: Jones-Holubec – yes, White – yes, Batschke – yes, Campbell – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

**ITEMS PENDING/TABLED:** None

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS:** None

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor Greene mentioned there was an EDC meeting today for a resolution to match grant funds with Frankenmuth Credit Union grant for businesses that are hurting.

**MANAGER COMMENTS:** City Manager Matthew Lane submitted a written report.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Clerk/Treasurer Sara Savage submitted a written report.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

Councilor Hall made a comment about the property across the street from him owned by the county and them leaving snow on the sidewalk.

Councilor Eschenbacher questioned Caro Center easements and made a comment about adding lights on the entrance signs.

Mike Carpenter gave an update on the Caro Center water line extension project.

City Manager Matthew Lane informed the council that his wife is having a baby at the end of March and he will be taking a few weeks off.

Councilor Batschke questioned how the firefighters are paid.

**21-M-006**

**Motion by Jones-Holubec, seconded by Batschke to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Roll call: White – yes, Batschke – yes, Campbell – yes, Eschenbacher – yes, Hall – yes, Jones-Holubec – yes, Mayor Greene – yes. Motion carried.**

Sara Savage  
Clerk/Treasurer