

## **CITY OF CARO REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mayor Joe Greene called the regular meeting of the City Council to order on November 1, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Joe Greene, City Council: Bob Eschenbacher, Kory Batschke, Don Hall, and Jill White

Absent: Emily Campbell, Tisha Jones-Holubec

Others: Matthew Lane – City Manager, Rita Papp – Clerk and other guests

### **AGENDA APPROVAL**

#### **21-M-224**

**Motion by Batschke, seconded by White to approve the agenda with the addition of: Amended Invoices & #4 Small Business Saturday Discussion**

**Motion Carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT/VISITORS:** None

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – Approved - October 12, 2021
2. DDA Meeting Minutes – Unapproved – October 13, 2021
3. Charter Communications – Upcoming changes
4. Spoonfuls of Plenty
5. Tuscola County Economic Development Thank you letter
6. Tri-Star Trust, Jane Hagen - Presentation

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Regular Council Minutes – October 18, 2021
2. Personnel Committee Minutes – October 18, 2021
3. Invoices

#### **21-M-225**

**Motion by Batchke, seconded by White to approve the consent agenda as presented including invoices.**

**Motion Carried.**

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

1. **Well #1 Inspection and Pump Replacement**

#### **21-M-226**

**Motion by Hall, seconded by Batschke to accept the recommendation of the City Manager and accept the low bid from Peerless Midwest Inc. in the amount of \$11,066.75 for the inspection and pump replacement of Well #1.**

**Motion carried.**

## **2. Well #2 Sand Separator Replacement**

**21-M-227**

**Motion by White, seconded by Batschke to accept the recommendation of the City Manager and accept the low bid from Peerless Midwest Inc. in the amount of \$30,100.00 for the inspection and sand separator replacement for Well #3A.**

**Motion carried.**

## **3. Temporary Lease for Bus Garage at Former Recycle Center**

**21-M-228**

**Motion by Batschke, seconded by White to accept the recommendation of the City Manager and approve the agreement with the Caro Community Schools to lease the former recycling facility located at 1123 Mertz Road and allow the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the same.**

**Motion carried.**

## **4. Small Business Saturday**

**Discussion followed on collaboration efforts with the DDA & Chamber of Commerce to plan this event.**

## **5. Tri Star Trust Investment Statement Agreement**

**21-M-229**

**Motion by Hall, seconded by White to approve the Tri Star Trust Investment Statement Agreement as presented and allow City Clerk to sign the same.**

**Motion carried.**

**ITEMS PENDING/TABLED: None**

**COMMITTEE/LIAISON POSITION REPORTS: None**

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

Presented information to consider for the future of The City of Caro and its residents.

**MANAGER'S COMMENTS** – Written report submitted

Met with MMR and stakeholders on October 22, 2021, discussed potential Medical First Responder Program, met with Bill Campbell, Indianfields Township Supervisor to discuss Putman water project, committee for Putman water project to meet November 3, 2021, Parks and Recreation 5 year planning event November 10, 2021, homeowner behind fire hall inquired if the City would entertain purchasing an easement due to trimming trees that were hanging over the fire hall, Council Member White asked about the progress of ALDI, Mayor Greene inquired on the old John Deere Tractor and if it was out for bids yet.

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

Received 2 applications for DDA Board and completed the Election Official Accreditation Certification today.

**ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Council Member White – Commented on the Fall Clean Up Event at the Fairgrounds & Beith Park on November 6, 2021, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and will also be working on removing corn stalks from downtown.

**21-M-230**

**Motion by Eschenbacher, seconded by Hall to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

**Rita Papp  
City Clerk**