

Regular Meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
October 5, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

Members: President G. Wayne McIlroy; Deputy President Michael Astafan; Trustees Kathleen Latremore; Rebecca Vary and Linda Smith-Spencer.

Others: Jim Zehr, Long Pond Snowmobile Club (7:06 p.m.).

CALL TO ORDER:

President McIlroy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to permit the VFW and the American Legion to hold a wreath laying ceremony at Monument Park on December 12, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. to coincide with the wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington Cemetery. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Vary and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to approve the request of the VEM Food Pantry to conduct their annual Crop Walk on Sunday, October 25, 2015 commencing at 2:00 p.m. to walk from the Church of the Nazarene on State Street to McDonalds on Bridge Street in West Carthage, possibly throughout the Village of Carthage and then back to the church. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Latremore to permit Joanne Lazore to use the fields on Saturday mornings from 9/25/15 - 10/24/15 from 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and 10/2/15 and 10/24/15 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. for Flag Football and further use the Carthage Recreation Building on 10/2/15 and 10/23/15 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. and 10/24/15 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. providing it does not conflict with prior events. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to approve CDBG 2013 Draw #9 payable to Jeramie Palladino and P&M Construction \$11,430.00; R-Factor \$250.00; Hrabchak & Gebo \$240.00; and Avalon Associates, Inc \$800.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary authorizing the Clerk/Treasurer to attend the quarterly North Country Clerk/Treasurer meeting in Sackets Harbor to include mileage reimbursement. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer authorizing the Carthage Area Chamber of Commerce to use the Village of Carthage picture for their billboard on Route 3. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to authorizing the posting of the Village Parking Ban for 2015 - 2016 as follows:

1NOTICE TO RESIDENTS
VILLAGE OF CARTHAGE

The All Night Parking Ban in the Village of Carthage becomes effective November 1, 2015 and runs to April 1, 2016 from

2:00 a.m. – 6:00 a.m. Vehicles left on Village streets overnight during this period will receive a parking ticket and/or be towed away.

All night parking will be allowed in the following places ONLY, during this time:

1. The Municipal parking lot behind the Municipal Building by Permit Only, FOR THE RESIDENTS of 260 State Street apartments - by agreement between the Village and the Carthage Development Group, L.P.
2. On the left hand side of the Municipal parking lot on West Street, directly across from the Municipal Building.
3. The North Mechanic Street Parking Lot both the permitted spaces and public spaces.
4. The Municipal parking lot located behind the Carthage Free Library.
5. The twenty parking spaces on the former “fire site”.

ALL vehicles must be removed daily for snow removal.

NO vehicle is to be left in a parking space for more than (24) twenty-four hours.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to accept the Carthage YMCA annual report as submitted and to release budgeted funds in the amount of \$3,750.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to set the Trick or Treat hours from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on October 31, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Zehr from the Long Pond Snowmobile Club was present asking the Board to renew the agreement for the use of the snowmobile trail through the watershed property in Croghan. President McIlory asked if the snowmobilers stayed on the trail and Mr. Zehr stated they did. Mr. Zehr stated the snowmobile club placed signs throughout the watershed area warning snowmobilers to stay on the marked trail as it is the Carthage Watershed Area.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to renew the agreement with the Long Pond Snowmobile Club for the upcoming season providing they submit an insurance certificate to the Village. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT MCILROY UPDATE:

President McIlroy stated he has been working with the railroad regarding the crossings on State Street. President McIlroy stated he has a meeting with MANRR on October 14, 2015. President McIlroy also stated CSX did an excellent job repairing the crossings on Boyd Road and Alexandria Street Road. President McIlroy requested an Executive Session to discuss a DPW grievance and the employment history of DPW and Water Department employees.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

None.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to enter Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss a DPW Union grievance and the employment history of DPW and Water Department employees. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to resume Regular Session at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer authorizing the Clerk/Treasurer to send a memo to the DPW and Water Departments reminding them to wear hardhats for safety reasons at all times. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy O'Shaughnessy
Village Clerk/Treasurer