

Regular Meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
March 4, 2013

ATTENDANCE:

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

Others: Gary Hutchins, John Hutchins and four Participation in Government Students.

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 February 19, 2013 regular meeting as presented by the Clerk/Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Gary and John Hutchins inquired about the Village leasing the forest property. They expressed that they hunt the adjoining property and would like to partake in future discussions regarding leasing the property. President McIlroy stated he would contact them when the Water Superintendent has completed his research regarding leasing the Village forest property.

CORRESPONDENCE:

President McIlroy read the letter received from the Carthage Area Chamber of Commerce thanking the board and the DPW employees for the in-kind services provided for the Winterfest celebration including the use of the Carthage Park.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to consider the request from the Carthage Bears Pop Warner football/cheer program for support for the upcoming 2013 season during the fiscal year 2014 budget preparation. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

On January 7, 2012, President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to add the Water Superintendent Report regarding Village forest property.

Update 01/22/13: President McIlroy requested that the Trustees review the material and decide if they are interested in leasing the property.

Update 02/19/13: After considerable discussion regarding the potential liability to the Village of Carthage regarding leasing the Village forest property;

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to have Mr. Prievo proceed with his research of the pros and cons to leasing the Village forest property. Motion carried unanimously.

Update 03/04/13: No action was taken therefore President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to hold this until the March 18, 2013 regular meeting.

On January 22, 2013, Timothy Farley, Attorney for the Estate of Sigrid DeRosia, submitted a request for a reduction in the repayment of CDBG funds obtained by Ms. DeRosia. President

McIlroy requested to refer this issue to the CDBG review committee so they can further research Mr. Farley's request.

Update 02/19/13: No action was taken therefore President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to hold this until the March 4, 2013 meeting.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Latremore, based on the recommendation of the of the CDBG grant committee, to waive \$17,620 of the \$37,620 due from the Estate of Sigrid DeRosia per the CDBG grant guidelines. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve CDBG Draw #11 for Donald Hallenbeck and Panting Etc \$4,770.00 and Avalon Associates, Inc. \$1,929.04. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Vary and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to approve the guidelines presented by the Village of Carthage Loan Committee regarding the use of Village of Carthage Revolving Loan Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Vary and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to approve the IMEC loan in the amount of \$60,000 as recommended by the Village of Carthage Loan Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve the Ablan Business Center loan amendment in the additional amount of \$15,000 as recommended by the Village of Carthage Loan Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to accept the renewal application for alcoholic beverage license submitted by Deep Pockets, LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Smith-Spencer and seconded by Trustee Latremore to permit the Clerk/Treasurer to attend the quarterly Clerks Association meeting at Jose O'Connors on March 14, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurers Report was reviewed and there were no questions. The General Fund cash balance is \$1,234,762.03 with Reserves of \$164,055.50; Water Fund cash balance is \$140,395.28 with Reserves of \$172,405.28 and the Sewer Fund cash balance is \$102,241.12 with Reserves of \$74,566.55 the Joint Fund cash balance is \$68,342.85 with Reserves of \$380,933.08.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve payment of payrolls and bills as follows: General Fund P/R 02/21/13, 02/28/13, and 03/01/13 \$30,898.07; Water Fund P/R 02/21/13, 02/28/13, and 03/01/13 \$4,298.33; Sewer Fund P/R 02/21/13, 02/28/13, and 03/01/13 \$4,170.04; Joint Fund P/R 02/21/13 \$8,654.49. General Fund Abstracts \$76,106.25; Water Fund Abstracts \$0; Sewer Fund Abstracts \$58,046.42; and Joint Fund Abstracts \$70,926.80. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT McILROY UPDATE:

President McIlroy asked the Clerk/Treasurer if the utility audit was completed. The Clerk/Treasurer will follow up with Computel Consultants.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Trustee Latremore requested executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular corporation.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to enter Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular person and the employment history of a particular corporation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Vary and seconded by Deputy President Astafan to resume Regular Session at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to adjourn at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy L. O'Shaughnessy
Village Clerk/Treasurer