

Regular Meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
October 1, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

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

Others: Kathy Amyot, Tug Hill Commissions and five 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 Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Latremore to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2012 Evidentiary Hearing as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Ms. Amyot stated there was a NYSERDA funding opportunity for local municipalities to partake in. The funding is to purchase energy star compliant equipment and the program will reimburse seventy-five percent of the purchase cost. There is \$1,100,000.00 available and the funding will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. The Clerk/Treasurer stated she is having John McHugh, Community Development Director research this funding. President McIlroy asked Ms. Amyot to look into if this program would cover the replacement of a boiler system for the Municipal Building. Ms. Amyot stated the annual Tug Hill Commissioners meeting which was held at the Town of Wilna offices was a great success. She also stated the Tug Hill Commissioners is hosting a meeting for local officials to speak with County Legislators and express their issues on October 24, 2012.

President McIlroy asked Ms. Amyot to coordinate a meeting regarding the GIS/GPS System with Mickey, Rick, Deputy President Astafan, Trustee Smith-Spencer, Ernie Prievo, and himself.

President McIlroy stated at the last RACOG meeting, they agreed to give the Village \$1,000.00 for our Recreation Program next year.

CORRESPONDENCE:

President McIlroy read the letter received from Todd and Meggen Rogers requesting a School Bus Stop sign to be placed on the corner of Hammond and Parham Streets. President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to have Chief Huber to research this issue and forward his recommendation to the Board on October 15, 2012.

OLD BUSINESS:

At the June 4, 2012 meeting, the board reviewed insurance proposals received by Haylor, Fryor and Coon, Inc. and Fuller Insurance Agency, Inc. and requested Michael Gillette attend the June 18, 2012 regular meeting.

Update 6-18-12: Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Latremore to accept Fuller Insurance Agency, Inc. proposal and continue to work with Mr. Gillette to insure the Village has the appropriate coverage. Mr. Gillette will provide an update to the board at the July 16, 2012 regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Update 7-16-12: Mr. Gillette continues to review the Joint Waste Water Insurance policy to ensure the Village is adequately covered.

Update 8-20-12: The Village received a refund check from Fuller Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$5,136.00 citing the Village Water operations are covered by the Joint Water Policy with the Village of West Carthage. Mr. Gillette explained that the contracts with the Village of West Carthage for the Water System do not delineate where coverage begins and ends therefore it is Glatfelter insurance company's opinion that the Village of Carthage is covered by the Joint Water Policy. President McIlroy asked Mr. Gillette to work with Attorney Gebo to ensure the Village is covered. Attorney Gebo advised the Clerk/Treasurer not to cash the check.

Update 9-4-12: President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to hold this over until the September 17, 2012 meeting when Attorney Gebo will be present.

Updated 9-17-12: Attorney Gebo advised the Clerk/Treasurer to return the refund check from Fuller Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$5,136.00 to insure the Village has adequate insurance coverage. President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to contact Mr. Gillette and request his attendance at the October 15, 2012 meeting and to forward applicable documents to Attorney Gebo prior to the meeting.

At the September 4, 2012 meeting, Chief Huber forwarded the following Police Policies recommendations: Use of Village Vehicles; Use of Force; Use of Oleoresin Capsicum Spray; and Use of Electronic Control Device. President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to forward the policies to Attorney Gebo for his review.

10-1-12 Hold October 15, 2012.

At the September 17, 2012 meeting, President McIlroy read the letter received from Raymond and Mary Connolly requesting the flood map be revised as their property on 323 South Clinton Street is considered to be in a flood zone. No action was taken therefore President McIlroy requested the Clerk/Treasurer to hold this matter until the October 1, 2012 regular meeting.

10-01-12 Hold until October 15, 2012.

At the September 4, 2012 meeting, President McIlroy stated is working Water Superintendent Ernie Prievo on possibly obtaining a GIS/GPS system for the Village water and sewer lines.

10-01-12 Hold until October 15, 2012.

At the September 17, 2012, President McIlroy read the letter received by John McHugh, Community Development Director, notifying him of various boards he has been requested to serve on. The board wished to meet with Mr. McHugh to discuss this issue.

Update 10-01-12: President McIlroy, Deputy President Astafan, and Trustee Smith-Spencer met with Mr. McHugh.

Motion by Deputy President Astafan and seconded by Trustee Smith-Spencer to allow Mr. McHugh to continue to serve on various boards throughout the community on behalf of the Village of Carthage. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve CDBG Draw #6 in the amount of \$7,744.50 to be paid to DLO Contracting and Cheryl Graham and \$1,550.00 to be paid to Avalon Associates, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Vary and seconded by Trustee Latremore to authorize President McIlroy to sign the Consulting Agreement with Computel Consultants to examine utility accounts. Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurers Report was reviewed and there were no questions. The General Fund cash balance is \$1,425,933.78 with Reserves of \$171,173.76; Water Fund cash balance is \$220,540.35 with Reserves of \$109,652.18 and the Sewer Fund cash balance is \$26,551.68 with Reserves of \$52,538.46 the Joint Fund cash balance is \$168,371.72 with Reserves of \$387,570.98.

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to approve payment of payrolls and bills as follows: General Fund P/R 09/20/12, 09/27/12, and 10/01/12 \$28,458.92; Water Fund, 09/20/12, and 09/27/12 \$4,354.27; Sewer Fund, P/R 09/20/12, and 09/27/12 \$3,753.66; Joint Fund P/R 09/19/12 and 10/01/12 \$10,638.55. General Fund Abstracts, \$6,085.00; Water Fund Abstracts, \$0; Sewer Fund Abstracts, \$0; and Joint Fund Abstracts, \$71,759.70. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT McILROY UPDATE:

President McIlroy stated there will be a Special Meeting of the WPCF Board on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. at the Village of Carthage Municipal Building.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Trustee Latremore stated last Friday there was a major water leak at 204/206 North Washington Street of which the Fire Department was called and they called National Grid to turn off the gas and power. The owner of the property contacted Attorney Gebo and stated he is flying here to take care of the property.

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Trustee Latremore and seconded by Trustee Vary to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristy L. O'Shaughnessy
Village Clerk/Treasurer