

Regular meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
April 5, 2010

Present: President, G. Wayne McIlroy, Trustees; Michael Astafan, Rebecca Vary, and Kathleen Latremore.

Excused: Trustee Linda Smith-Spencer

Guests: Tug Hill Commission, Kathy Amyot; Village Historian, Laura Priervo; Watertown Daily Times and Carthage Republican Tribune reporter, Chelsea Craddock; Village resident William Hollenbeck Jr. and Vaughn Harvey; and three Participation in Government Students (PIGS).

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

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to approve the minutes of March 15, 2010 meeting as presented by the Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Village resident William Hollenbeck Jr. explained to the board that according to the Village of Carthage Police Department he needs a driver's license to operate his all terrain vehicle on Alexandria Street. Mr. Hollenbeck Jr. is currently in a wheel chair and needs the ATV for transportation. President McIlroy asked the Clerk to inform the Village Attorney Mark Gebo regarding this situation and place this on the agenda for the next board meeting.

Village resident Vaughn Harvey explained to the board regarding his concern for the over abundance of animal feces on Village sidewalks. President McIlroy firmly agreed with his statement and then asked Chelsea if an article could be published in the Tribune referencing this problem and the fines associated with this violation of Village law.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve the request of Linda Kellaway, Unit 789 Secretary, American Legion Auxiliary, to conduct Poppy Day sales May 6, 2010 and May 7, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve the yearly accounting report sent by Rebecca Reed of the Carthage YMCA that states how the Village's funds were spent within the Carthage YMCA program this past year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michael Astafan and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve the request of the Carthage American Legion, Bassett-Baxter Post 789, Barry Miner, Commander, to conduct a parade on Monday, May 31, 2010 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried unanimously.

The request from Joanne Lazore regarding the Coach-Pitch program is tabled until the next board meeting when more information will be obtained by Trustee Latremore.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to approve Resolution Number two which supports the Carthage Free Library expansion plans and the assurance that the library project is not a duplication of services. Motion carried unanimously.

Larry Girard of the Jefferson County Volunteer Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Association, Inc.

request regarding the posting of 911 addresses will be tabled until the next Village board meeting once the clerk obtains more information regarding Mr. Girard's request.

OLD BUSINESS:

The request of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller to have a three way stop sign at the intersection of Thorpe Street and West Street has been tabled until the next board meeting.

Based on the recommendation from Village Historian, Laura Prievo, the Village Board agreed to allow the monument to be moved to the front section of the park where it would be visible to road traffic. Trustee Kathleen Latremore agreed to contact Mr. Wright on changing the location of the award/monument given by the Traditional Arts of Upstate NY and would update the board further on this at the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve Resolution Number three which supports the Carthage Industrial Development Corporation (CIDC), New York Main Street Grant, which would continue to assist in restoration of Downtown Carthage. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve payment to Avalon Associates Inc. in the amount of \$1,800.00 for program delivery services that qualified for the 2008 Community Block Development Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve payment to Avalon Associates Inc. in the amount of \$1,795.41 for administrative services that qualified for the 2008 Community Block Development Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve payment to Lead Safe LLC. in the amount of \$1,400.00 for lead paint assessment that qualified for the 2009 Community Block Development Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve Joanne Lazore for twenty hours of supervised activities at the Carthage Recreation Building from Tuesday April 13 through Friday April 16. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Michael Astafan to schedule the pre-bid meeting for Guyot's Island Park Improvement Project on April 19, 2010 at 2:00P.M. and schedule the sealed bid opening on Wednesday April 28, 2010 at 2:00P.M. Further authorize the clerk to advertise this information in both the Carthage Republican Tribune and Watertown Daily Times. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve Resolution Number four, authorizing President McIlroy to sign the joint application with the Village of West Carthage for the 2010 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michael Astafan and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve the request from Wilna Champion Transportation Association to have their "Mother's Day Basket" displayed at the Village office for a two week period. Motion carried unanimously. Trustee Kathleen Latremore abstained from the vote due to her involvement with the WCTA.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to authorize the clerk to advertise the Tentative Budget Public Hearing on Wednesday April 14, 2010 at 6:00P.M.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to approve payment of payrolls as follows: General Fund P/R #A52, 53, 54, 54A & 55 \$40,290.98; Water Fund, #F 52, 53, 54 & 55 \$3,144.88; Sewer Fund, #G52, 53, & 54 \$4,063.21; Joint Fund, #J21, & 55 \$8,782.80. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT MCILROY=S UPDATE:

President McIlroy informed the public that New York Rural Water Association will be honoring the Village of Carthage for “the Water System of the Year Award”. This prestigious award will be given to Water Superintendent Ernie Prievo, Mark Roberts, Timothy Turke, and Dane Zehr. President McIlroy asked the Clerk to contact the Village Attorney regarding “juice bars” being potentially located in the Village. Wednesday, April 7 at 4:15 will be the joint Waste Water Pollution Control Facility meeting at the Carthage Municipal Building. President McIlroy informed the press that after this scheduled board meeting, the board will continue its meeting on the work session for the upcoming budget.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

MEDIA QUESTIONS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion carried to adjourn this meeting at 7:58 P.M. and continue the work session from the scheduled meeting of March 31, 2010.

President McIlroy called the work session meeting to order at 7:59 P.M. stating that this meeting is a continuation of the March 31, 2010 work session meeting.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Michael Astafan to enter Executive Session at 8:01P.M. for a personnel issue.

Regular Session resumed at 9:01P.M.

Motion carried to adjourn at 9:02P.M.

Sherry L. Sears, Village Clerk