

1Regular meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
May 5, 2008

Present: President G. Wayne McIlroy, Trustees, Michael Astafan, Kathleen Latremore and Bernard Frezza..

Excused: Trustee Rebecca Vary.

Guests: CRT Reporter, Abigail Ortiz; Businessman, William Douglas, Resident, Donna Hanson; Resident, Don Foster; Kathy Amyot, RACOG; and 8 Participation in Government Students.

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

Motion by Michael Astafan and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2008 meeting as presented by the Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Donna Hanson of 109 Thorpe Street addressed the Board on the heavy trucks on her Street. There are signs at each end of Thorpe street stating no thru trucks but truck drivers are ignoring them. Thorpe street isn't even wide enough for on street parking. Recently she has noticed that the Rescue Squad is also using Thorpe Street. She offered a solution of having a truck route sign on the South West corner of Thorpe and State directing traffic up State Street and another arrow at Hospital Drive. The Clerk will contact NYS DOT for approvals for the suggested sign and President McIlroy will speak with the Police Chief to ask him to warn truckers and perhaps stop at the new construction site to advise them not to use Thorpe Street.

William Douglas attended the meeting to again discuss with the Board permission for his to hold a Village wide metal clean up. He has talked with his insurance company and he already has liability insurance. President McIlroy advised Mr. Douglas that he needed liability insurance naming the Village an additional insured. He was instructed to obtain the insurance and come back to the Board.

Resident Don Foster said he would like to thank the Village Board for their hard efforts in keeping the Village taxes down and additionally thanked President McIlroy for his efforts of looking out for Village residents when addressing the Carthage Central School Superintendent and Board on their budget.

Kathy Amyot presented members with dates of upcoming meetings.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Proof of notice having been furnished the Public Hearing on Village Budgets for the fiscal year June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009 was opened by President McIlroy at 7:15P.m. President McIlroy asked if anyone in attendance had any questions for him on the budget. Hand-outs were prepared for the public and no one asked any questions.

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:18P.M.

Motion by Bernard Frezza , Seconded by Michael Astafan and carried to adopt the Village Budgets as presented for the fiscal year June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

Kathy Latremore is still waiting for a call back from Tim Wright regarding the Kiosk for Monument Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Kathleen Latremore, Seconded by Bernard Frezza to approve the hiring of parttime police officer Sam Capone effective May 2, 2008 as recommended by Police Chief Reeve Rockhill. Motion carried 3 to 1 with Trustee Astafan voting no.

Motion by Michael Astafan, Seconded by Bernard Frezza to accept the exchange of roads with Carthage Area Hospital subject to Attorney Gebo's review and approval of the final documents from the Hospital. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore, Seconded by Bernard Frezza to approve payment of payrolls as follows: General Fund P/R #A58, 59, 60, 61 and 61a \$41618.92; Water Fund, #F58, 59, 60, and 61 \$5,614.49; Sewer Fund, #G58, 59, 61 \$3,592.16; and Joint Fund, #J23, \$8,273.51. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT MCILROY'S UPDATE:

President McIlroy informed members that the Justice Court report on the current Court Room is available for review.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Kathy Latremore informed members that Rick Soluri has scheduled a hearing at the next Board meeting for discussion on the Village Department of Public Works removal of the massive amount of debris from a residents property on John Street.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Kathleen Latremore, Seconded by Bernard Frezza and carried unanimously to enter into executive session at 7:23P.M. for the purpose of discussing contracts and negotiations.

Regular session resumed at 7:52P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion carried to adjourn at 7:52P.M.

Linda M. Weir, Village Clerk