

1 Regular meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees
Held in the Board Room of the Carthage Municipal Building
January 2, 2007

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

Guests: Resident, Juliette Astafan and 15 members of the Participation in Government Class.

President McIlroy called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. requesting a moment of silence in honor of former President Gerald Ford who passed away this week. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2006 meeting as presented by the Clerk with the exception of a change in the 2nd paragraph under Old Business as it regards the insertion of "the" in error and a change in the next sentence as follows: Trustees Latremore and Frezza expressed their concerns over "the need for" speed limit reductions and a caution sign at the curve in the road. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM:

North James Street resident Juliette Astafan attended the meeting to ask the Board for assistance regarding the debris that her next door neighbor has left on his lawn for over a year. Mrs. Astafan contacted the Code Enforcement Officer who to date has not done anything about the problem. She has had no response from him. President McIlroy suggested that if the situation can be taken care of through the Code Enforcement Department it should be. President McIlroy requested that Trustee Latremore, Liaison to the Code Enforcement Department, contact Mr. Soluri to ask about the situation and in turn contact Mrs. Astafan with a response.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Michael Astafan and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to reverse the Board's motion at the last meeting accepting the PBA contract as recommended by Attorney Gebo. Since the meeting, Attorney Gebo has contacted the Board to say that there was a misunderstanding on the approval of the PBA of all the negotiated items. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Latremore reported that she and Trustee Frezza have discussed the Hospital Drive S curve concerns and have come up with the following recommendation for the Board. They are recommending that S curve signs along with yellow 15 MPH recommended speed signs be placed at both ends of the S curve on Hospital Drive. Superintendent Dan Trembley will be providing a letter regarding the signage required. Trustees Latremore and Frezza believe these signs do not require a Local Law since they will just be recommendations due to the curve, not a law. Attorney Gebo will be asked to research this request and advise the Board at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Bernard Frezza and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to approve the hiring of Wendy Oliver to the position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer effective January 8, 2007 for a six month probationary period at a weekly salary of \$400 plus full benefits. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Becky Vary to approve payment of Payrolls #A37, 38 & 39, \$27,529.50; #F37, 38 & 39, \$3,175.18; #G37 & 38, \$1,918.26; #J15, \$6,383.61. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT MCILROY'S UPDATE:

President McIlroy stated that he hasn't heard anything from the Library on the parking lot offer. He also informed members that the waterfront development Grant for Carthage and West Carthage in the amount of \$36,000 has been approved. Upcoming meeting times and dates were provided.

LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

No comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Bernard Frezza to enter into Executive Session at 7:12P.M. for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations and a personnel matter. Motion carried unanimously.

Regular session resumed at 7:35P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion carried to adjourn at 7:35P.M.

Linda M. Weir, Village Clerk