

Regular meeting of the Village of Carthage Board of Trustees  
Held in the Carthage Municipal Building Board Room  
November 19, 2007 – 7P.M.

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

Guests: Kathy Amyot, RACOG; CRT Reporter, Abigail Ortiz; and 1 member of the Participation in Government Class.

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

Motion by Bernard Frezza and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2007 meeting as presented by the Clerk with the deletion of one paragraph. Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Kathy Amyot informed members that an RFP has been drafted for a professional consultant on the Waterfront Development Project. The RFP is being reviewed and requires the Department of State approval. The Shared Municipal funding application deadline is December 14, 2007; public discussion of a shared police department is recommended before proceeding with an application.

**BRICK REPOINTING REPAIR PROJECT BID OPENING:**

The following bids were opened publicly and read aloud by Engineer Rick Tague in the Board meeting room on November 16, 2007 – 10AM.

Lupini Construction – Chase Mills, NY	\$35,800.00	Bid 2 unit price \$550.00
Continental Construction – Gouverneur, NY	\$40,000.00	Bid 2 unit price \$350.00
GEF Restoration – Port Leyden, NY	\$41,000.00	Bid 2 unit price \$800.00
Heritage Masonry	\$48,765.00	Bid 2 unit price \$300.00

Motion by Rebecca Vary and Seconded by Kathleen Latremore to accept the low bid of Lupini Construction in the amount of \$35,000 as recommended by Rick Tague, The Bernier Carr Group. Motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Kathy Latremore informed the Board that she is working on getting historical markers for the sites referred to us by Jeremiah Papineau. She has contacted Jeremiah and he'll research where to get the markers and get back to her with further info. Attorney Gebo suggested that Kathy contact Phil Street from Tug Hill and ask him where to get them. Kathy Amyot, in attendance, said she will pass the request onto Mr. Street.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Bernard Frezza to approve the renewal of the DPW BAN in the amount of \$149,016 at HSBC with an interest rate of 3.64%. Motion carried unanimously.

Members agreed that other than the 2 issues presented to the members by the Planning Board, the Board approves of the RACOG Joint Municipal Planning Committees recommendations for Zoning Amendments related to Special Use and Site Plan Review Criteria. Kathy Amyot will pass this information onto Phil Street.

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Rebecca Vary to approve the payment of Payrolls #A25, 26, 27, 28, & 29, \$50,803.98; #F25, 26, 27, & 29, \$6,273.66; #G25, 26, 27, \$2,191.68; and #J11, \$8,6603.61 and Abstracts #A6, \$181,518.51; #F6, \$30,014.33; #G6, \$5,362.12; and #J6, \$74,125.42. Motion carried unanimously.

**ATTORNEY GEBO'S UPDATE:**

Attorney Gebo informed members that he saw a lot of code violations today in Court, but has nothing to report to the Board at present.

**PRESIDENT MCILROY'S UPDATE:**

President McIlroy reminded members of the November 20<sup>th</sup> RACOG meeting and noted that there is an EDCC meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**LIAISON REPORTS:**

Mike Astafan said he has received a handful of calls from taxpayers concerned over signs in the Village and on public property – "RJ Services". He requested that Kathy Latremore contact Rick Soluri to have the owner remove the signs.

Bernie Frezza told members that the recreation building has been broken into again. The outside entrance to the ladies room was damaged and eggs smashed all over. There was a problem with the deadbolt lock which is being fixed. The red trail is done and Scott is working on others as weather permits. Signs and a map are also being worked on. Safety shoes and a clothing allowance were discussed for Scott Benson.

Motion by Bernard Frezza and Seconded by Michael Astafan to approve a yearly clothing allowance of \$200, to be paid on July 1<sup>st</sup> and a safety shoe reimbursement of 75% to be paid once yearly, upon receipt of a paid receipt, to Scott Benson. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Latremore reported that summons have been given to the Church Street property owner and the owner of the Barn on West Street. Attorney Gebo noted that the Church Street property owner has hired a worker and they have until December 17<sup>th</sup> to begin work on the property or be back in Court. There is a concern over the address used on the summons to the owner of the barn on West Street and due to that concern, the case was adjourned to another date.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion by Kathleen Latremore and Seconded by Bernard Frezza to enter into Executive Session at 7:22P.M. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

Regular session resumed at 8:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion carried to adjourn at 8:00 P.M.

**Linda M. Weir** , Village Clerk