



VILLAGE OF CARLETON REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2017

The regular scheduled meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at 1230 Monroe Street, Carleton MI 48117.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order by President Buckingham at 7:00pm

2. Roll Call

Members present: President Larry Buckingham, Councilmen Dennis McCormick, Chuck Collert, Tom Reiser, Glenn Goodnight, Don Marcero, Clerk Lenora Buckingham. Members Absent Treasurer Cathy Coleman, Councilmen Todd Yoas. Others present Attorney Jeff Osment.

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by McCormick to accept the minutes of the regular meeting dated November 6, 2017. Motion supported by Goodnight. Voice vote all in favor, motion carried.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Reiser to approve the agenda, supported by McCormick – Voice vote all in favor, motion carried

5. Approval of Bills

Motion by McCormick to approve the bills in the amount of \$27,584.73, supported by Marcero – Voice vote all in favor, motion passed

6. Correspondence

- a. Police states October – Chief Johnson
- b. Revenue and Expenditure Report – Discussion – set up meeting with Finance Officer—**Collert brought up that he felt the village is in the red and meeting needs to be set up (added)**
- c.

7. Unfinished Business

- a. Ordinance 193 Amendment – Buckingham – Motion by Goodnight to table till next meeting supported by McCormick – Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed
- b. F & V update – Not here tabled to next meeting



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- c. Tree cutting in right of way – Ordinance 14 – Buckingham – Attorney Osment to draft new ordinance
- d. Amendment to Ordinance 40 – Planning Commission Meetings – Buckingham – Motion by McCormick to adopt the amendment, supported by Marcero – Roll call vote
 - McCormick Yes
 - Reiser Yes
 - Collert Yes
 - Marcero Yes
 - Goodnight Yes
 - Yoas AbsentMotion passed 5 yes 0 no Absent Yoas
- e. Grass clipping – Buckingham – Would cost over \$20,000.00 to have Republic do grass clipping and brush – April to December. Buckingham suggested put out to people that grass would be picked up once a week.
- f. Patrol Car Police Department – Buckingham – Chief Johnson is working on purchasing one from next year budget. Discussion

8. New Business

- a. Blight 12547 Hand Street – Linda Laurain brought up that her neighbor to the south is putting grass clippings on her property next to the road. She feels this is in violation of the blight ordinance. Buckingham to check out and get with Osment.
- b. Oxidation Ditch – Sewer Committee meeting – Dan Cabbage from F & V is going to try and set up a meeting on the 28th at 4:30 pm.
- c. Council Meetings – Yoas – Motion by Goodnight to table till next meeting, supported by McCormick – Voice vote, all in favor, motion passed
- d. Web site – Buckingham – Buckingham brought up that the web site bill is due – Discussion – Tabled till next meeting

9. Council Comments

- a. Collert – Collert read a letter to clarify his involvement with the Medical Marijuana ordinance.
- b. Collert – Stated that Lasalle Township sent out questionnaires to all their residents about a Marijuana Ordinance and it came back 80% in favor of it.
- c. McCormick – Wished Larry Buckingham well on his upcoming surgery



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- d. McCormick – Wanted an update on the lot on the corner of Kent and Mill street (old Mike Wolf lot) asked Attorney Osment if he knew anything on it. Advised Osment would check into it.
- e. McCormick – Thanked Collert for all of his work he has done for the Village

10. Public Comments – Limit to 3 Minutes

- a. Greg Coleman – Feels that the web site should be kept
- b. John Jones – Feels that a committee should be set up on the budget, he will volunteer for the committee
- c. Jim Geiermann – He knows Rose and does not understand how she has not advised the council about the budget.
- d. Jim Geiermann – Web site should stay
- e. Jim Geiermann – Would be willing to set on a committee
- f. Joe Diaz – Web site should stay
- g. David Jones – Wanted to know on the Medical Marijuana ordinance, knows problem with the smell, is it still on the agenda? Buckingham advised that the ordinance is not on the agenda at this time, but any council member could ask for any item to be placed on the agenda.
- h. David Jones – Asked Collert what the rumors were that he addressed in his statement? Discussion between Collert and Jones – Buckingham called an end to the discussion as it had gone well beyond the 3-min limit.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm by Goodnight and supported by McCormick.
Voice vote all in favor, motion carried

Respectfully submitted,
Lenora Buckingham, Clerk
Village of Carleton