



# VILLAGE OF CARLETON

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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April 23, 2012

The regular scheduled meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at 1230 Monroe Street, Carleton MI 48117. Members present: President Ron Lambrix, Councilmen Don Mell, Dennis McCormick, Chuck Collert, Tom Reiser, and Bill Reckinger. Also present, Engineer John Emig, Clerk Lenora Buckingham, and Treasurer Joe Leiffer. Absent Mike Perline, Attorney Jeff Osment.

Don Mell stated he had a lot of problems with the minutes, states under council comments he did not say the DPW is not doing anything, he stated when they aren't busy or when they are not doing anything could they put stone in the bad spots. Ron Lambrix stated he was with Don he did not state that. Lenora Buckingham stated that she put down what was on the tape recorder.

Motion was made by Dennis McCormick to accept the minutes of the regular meeting dated April 9, 2012. Motion supported by Don Mell to accept with corrections.

All in favor,

Dennis McCormick  
Chuck Collert  
Tom Reiser  
Bill Reckinger

Opposed

Don Mell

Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Letter from VFW regarding Poppy Sales. Village has granted this in the past.
- b. Parade Saturday for Little League thinks it starts at 8:00am.



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#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Grant writing contract not all council members received a copy Ron to review and have Marie sign. Motion by Don Mell if she agrees to it tomorrow we agree and approve this supported by Bill Reckinger. All in favor passed
- b. Bills

Don Mell had a question on the bill to Jeff Osment of \$2020.00 The \$2000.00 is retainer the \$20.00 is filing fee for the Alley

Motion made by Don Mell to pay the bills totaling \$23,026.42. Motion supported by Chuck Collert.

All in favor,

Dennis McCormick  
Chuck Collert  
Tom Reiser  
Don Mell

Opposed

Bill Reckinger

Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Monroe Street Drain Ron Lambrix stated that the drain was done by Chief's he would like to bring in a bull dozer to grade everything; the back hoe will not do it. Would like to take the money out of special projects. Bill Reckinger asked what it would cost. Ron stated he did not know, he contacted Jim Wickenheiser and he will get back with the price. Dennis McCormick does not have a problem with it. Bill Reckinger I think as long as you use good judgment on it ok.



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- b. Paving of Monroe Street John Emig presented a booklet to the Council on the paving of Monroe Street. John explained the booklet to the Council. Discussion on getting grants. Don Mell brought up if our DPW could do the sewer part of the project. John Emig stated this called for specialized people to install. Council to study packet and come back at next meeting and hopefully have a plan.
- c. Garage Sale Days last year the Ash Park rented spots for the two days. Ron would like to shut down the parking in front of Municipal Building and rent spots for people to set up. Money to go to Ash Park.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Dennis McCormick wanted to know about Harris Street. Advised that Ash Township has a meeting set for Wednesday and we will hear something then. Dennis McCormick wanted to know when we were going to sweep the streets. Ron Lambrix advised him that it would be about a month. Dennis wanted to know why so long, he was advised that the maple trees were still dropping seeds. Dennis McCormick wanted to know when was a good time to plant trees; Chuck Collert advised now is the best time. He wants to bring back planting 5 or six trees every year. Discussion and decided to seek a grant on getting trees. Tom Reiser wanted to remind everyone that garage sale day's was less than a month away, get your stuff ready for the sale. Bill Reckinger wanted to thank the police, DPW, building inspector, mayor and the treasurer for all the work they do. Bill Reckinger wanted to know about the proposal for the sewer plant. Was advised it was being worked on. Joe Leiffer wanted to know about having the DPW sweep up the gravel on the corner of Monroe & Grafton. He was advised the DPW went down today and moved the gravel back into the hole.



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#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57pm by Dennis McCormick and supported by Don Mell. All in favor, motion carried

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Respectfully submitted,  
Lenora Buckingham, Clerk  
Village of Carleton