

**VILLAGE OF CARLETON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 22, 2009**

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at 1230 Monroe Street, Carleton, MI 48117. Members present, President Don Mell, Councilmen Ron Lambrix, Dennis McCormick, Tom Reiser, Glenn Goodnight, Bob McLaughlin, Treasurer Peggy Leiffer and Clerk Lori Dahl. Also present Engineer John Emig and Attorney Jeff Osment. Tom Zemke was absent.

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated June 8, 2009. Treasurer Peggy Leiffer noted a correction to the minutes. On the 2nd page, under council comments, Tom Reiser's paragraph; change "Councilmen said they *hadn't* received anything "to "*had* received a letter from the township". Motion supported by Glenn Goodnight, all in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Lori Dahl read a letter from Robin Carmack, Ash Township Supervisor regarding water line installation. Robin stated in his letter "the township is willing to bear the costs to replace the water lines located on Monroe street and return the road to gravel, If the Village of Carleton is willing to complete the restoration of the roads and sidewalks within an agreed upon time." Robin asked for a commitment and direction from the council to proceed with the project. Council's discussion followed. Tom Reiser stated, "In the beginning, the township got our water system for nothing. We gave it to them so they would have the base to bring it in from Wayne County." After discussion, it was decided that Attorney Jeff Osment and Engineer John Emig would write a letter to the township regarding the issue and Invite Mr. Carmack to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

President Mell asked the clerk to read the proposal from Gene Merritt for painting the Village office. Preparation, caulks, tuck point, repair or replace damaged wood, spot prime, furnish & apply latex paint, 2 coats to entire exterior of building including all doors and windows. Customer to determine all colors, Repair and paint all flower boxes and benches as directed by customer, for a total of \$7,950.00. Proposal terms; \$2,950.00 upon acceptance of proposal and \$5,000.00 upon completion. Dennis McCormick said he should mention on the contract that he will paint the mural on the side of the building if council is agreeable. Motion made by Dennis McCormick, supported by Ron Lambrix to accept the proposal as written for a total of \$7,950.00. All in favor motion carried.

President Mell said he received the information regarding road work and "self help funds" from Monroe County with prices for the different areas council suggested. Don noted the self help money from the county is on a 50/50 basis.

We can chip and seal Jones Road from Monroe Street to Ford Road, then down by the church it will be ground up and like a new road there, also Monroe Street from Crane Street to Maxwell Road, and Hand street to just west of the carwash. The total job price is \$87,000.00, which \$44,966.90 is from the county self help funds. Our share will be \$44,000.00. Engineer John Emig expressed concern for the road base south of Ford Road saying if it is not repaired; it will continue to pump as it is doing now. President Mell said they assured him they will correct the drainage on Ford Road, and work should start within a month. After discussion, a motion was made by Dennis McCormick to authorize President Mell to sign the agreement with Monroe County for road repairs with the county. Ron Lambrix asked that repairs for proper drainage on Jones Road be put in the contract. Motion supported by Glenn Goodnight, all in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

President Mell stated he had received sealed bids for the concrete work at the new pole barn. The clerk opened the bids and President Mell read the total amounts aloud as indicated below;

John Taurmina	\$18,845.00
Vince Modica	\$19,890.00
Fowler Building	\$20,391.00
Midwest Post & Frame	\$19,404.00
Wolf Construction	\$19,200.00
Barker Construction	\$17,850.00
B.B.C. Foundations	\$16,940.00

President Mell said everyone was given the same specs to bid on. Council decided they should give the building inspector and Tom Reiser a day to look over all bids for comparison. It was decided that the council will meet on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 7:00 pm to further discuss the bids and award the contract.

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to pay the bills totaling \$10,794.51. Motion supported by Glenn Goodnight, all in favor, motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Ron Lambrix asked John Emig how the sewer line inspections were going. President Mell said they haven't started yet as they have been on vacation, and there is a contract that needs to be signed after the attorney has approved it. The job should be started in about a week.

Dennis McCormick said he received a call from Mr. Jerry Simpson who lives on the corner of Porter and Ash Streets. Mr. Simpson said he has a serious drainage problem and asked if the D.P.W. could take a look at it. President Mell said he would send the guys over as quick as they get a chance. Dennis also commented that down in front of Ronnie's store, and along through there, the railroad crossing & sidewalk is almost impassable. Dennis said a lady pushing a

baby buggy couldn't get through. President Mell said he will turn that over to the Blight Inspector.

Glenn Goodnight mentioned there are several trees around town that need trimming or cut down. Some limbs have fallen already. President Mell said he would get with Woodchuck tree service to come out and take a look at them.

Tom Reiser said there is some dead one over by the old church, now a day care on ash street, also some limbs that need to come down on Ash between Beaver and Spicer Street. Dennis commented we should get a hold of Chuck Collert to give us a price to replace some of the trees we are taking down. President Mell said after WoodChuck has been out and takes care of these; the council should take a look and see where they want trees replanted.

Treasurer Peggy Leiffer said the taxes are ready and will go out in a few days. Also, Peggy said no tax money will be used for the water lines and if you let the township know what areas you are paving, she believes the township will have the new water lines installed in those areas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dave Jones said some of the planning commission suggested in sprucing up the inside of the Village Office, you could paint the paneling and trim in the meeting room. President Mell said as soon as he gets the D.P.W. moved out of the back he plans to do a major overhaul of the office and meeting room, and he is open to any ideas and suggestions.

Mr. & Mrs. John Rodgers asked if there was an ordinance for burining in the Village. President Mell said the council voted it down the last time it was brought up.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m. made by Glenn Goodnight, supported by Dennis McCormick, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dahl, Clerk
Village of Carleton

Next meeting July 13, 2009