

**VILLAGE OF CARLETON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 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, Thom Zemke, Tom Reiser, Glenn Goodnight, Bob McLaughlin, Treasurer Peggy Leiffer and Clerk Lori Dahl. Also present Attorney Jeff Osment.

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated June 22, 2009, and the special meeting dated June 24, 2009. Motion supported by Glenn Goodnight all in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence

OLD BUSINESS

President Mell said the concrete floor inside the pole barn was poured today. Also, the streets will be swept on July 23, 2009.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Dennis McCormick, supported by Ron Lambrix to pay the Gene Merritt bill for painting the building out of our special projects money. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to accept the audit as presented, supported by Glenn Goodnight, 5 in favor, one opposed (Thom Zemke), motion carried.

President Mell said moving to the pole barn is getting closer and he wants to take bids for concrete to move the salt pile over there. Council said to get prices. Also, Woodchuck Tree Service has been working in the Village cleaning up storm damage and trimming trees that needed it. President said he will contact Chuck Collert to replace some of the trees.

President Mell said he was approached by the union for Village employee's to go on a 4 day / 10 hour work schedule from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Council discussion followed with the general consensus being, they should bring it up at contract renewal time.

President Mell asked the council what color background they preferred for the new "Welcome to Carleton" signs, blue or green. Council agreed on the blue back ground. President Mell said he is meeting with the sign lady on Wednesday to get prices only. Don said the signs will be wooden.

Motion made by Glenn Goodnight to pay the bills totaling \$47,267.78. Motion supported by Dennis McCormick, all in favor, motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Dennis McCormick asked if anyone heard anything from the township on the water line repair response letter. Don said he had not and he didn't expect to hear anything. Attorney Jeff Osment said he & John Emig composed a letter which laid out all the funding options that were available to them which they should have followed up on. Jeff felt the letter should be sent to each individual township board member. Don Mell told Jeff to send the letter to each member of the board.

Tom Reiser commented that Woodchuck Tree service did a good job on the trees.

Larry Buckingham said the D.P.W. did a good job in the way they took care of the downed trees on Harris Street during the last storm.

Clerk Lori Dahl asked why the secretary job for the police department was not posted. Don said because Larry already had resumes on file. Larry said he hired the most qualified person for the job from the applications he had.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joanne from Carleton Co-Op said she had an incident where she had to call the police out and she just wanted to say the officer did a good job in responding.

Dave Jones commented on the paint job on the Village Office saying it looked good. Dave also asked if there was an authorization the girl needed to sign to paint the Mural on the side of the building. Don said no, Gene Merritt is paying for the mural.

Ju Dee Andreozzi commented on the Village Office building paint job, saying it looks nice.

Esther Ciersezwski said she thought the Welcome to Carleton Signs should be done in green. Esther also suggested a Welcome to Carleton sign be put on I-275 like Waltz did.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. made by Dennis McCormick, supported by Glenn Goodnight, 5 in favor, one opposed (Thom Zemke) all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dahl, Clerk
Village of Carleton

Next meeting July 27, 2009