

**VILLAGE OF CARLETON  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 27, 2009**

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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. Also present Attorney Jeff Osment, Engineer John Emig and America Runyan.

Absent: Clerk, Lori Dahl

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated July 13, 2009. Motion supported by Thom Zemke all in favor, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence

**OLD BUSINESS**

President Mell said the Ash Carleton Park has asked for there \$15,000.00. The Village has made a check out to the Ash Carleton Park in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the fiscal year 2009 – 2010 and will be given to them tomorrow.

President Mell advised he is still working on prices for the DPW salt bin.

President Mell said he has a price of \$3,000.00, from Anne Thompson for the Welcome to Carleton signs coming in the Village on Monroe and Maxwell and Monroe and Grafton. After a brief discussion motion was made by Dennis McCormick to accept the price of \$3000.00 for two signs, supported by Ron Lambrix.

Bob McLaughlin – Aye  
Ron Lambrix \_ Aye  
Tom Reiser – Nay  
Glenn Goodnight – Aye  
Thom Zemke – Nay  
Dennis McCormick - Aye

Motion Carried

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion made by Glenn Goodnight, supported by Dennis McCormick to allow Chief Buckingham to purchase 2 back up systems for the computers. One back up system for the Village and one for the Police Department, at the price not to exceed \$200.00 each.

Bob McLaughlin – Aye  
Ron Lambrix –Aye  
Tom Reiser – Aye  
Glenn Goodnight – Aye  
Thom Zemke - Aye  
Dennis McCormick – Aye

Motion carried.

A letter from the Rogers was passed out to the Council, concerning the burning leaves ordinance. Thom Zemke and Ron Lambrix would like to reopen this ordinance. Council agreed to look into it and discuss it at the next meeting.

President Mell said he talked to Chuck Collert about replacing some of the trees the Village had to remove. Chuck Collert said he would charge the Village the same price as he did the last time he put trees in for the Village.

Motion made by Glenn Goodnight to pay the bills totaling \$44,928.17. Motion supported by Bob McLaughlin, all in favor, motion carried.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Glenn Goodnight said good job on the trees. Tom Reiser wanted to make it clear that he was not against the signs, just wants to get other bids. Thom Zemke asked how the budget was. Thom said he would like to have the budget at the next council meeting. Dennis McCormick said thanks for sweeping the streets, looks good. Ron Lambrix drove down where the fence is at Busch's. Ron said there are trees growing through it and part of the fence has fallen down, it looks really bad. He thinks this should be fixed. President Don Mell said he will get the Blight Inspector, Tim Thompson to go down and look at it.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Larry Buckingham commented that Ash Township should not be part of the park if they are not going to pay there \$15,000.00 that they have been paying every fiscal year.

Bill Reckinger commented that the Building look good. Bill also asked if we were going to do anything with the inside of the building. Don said we would look into it when the DPW moved into the pole barn.

John Imo agrees the fence behind Busch's needs some attention. He also stated that there is grafitti painted on the building and wanted to know if anything could be done about that.

Maryann Meyers wanted to know who got the concrete job for the pole barn. She was advised by the council and given a copy of the minutes which it was voted on.

Doug Leiffer commented that Ash Township has the \$15,000.00 in its budget. The park had \$33,000.00 in there account, and when the park needed the money Ash Township would give it to them.

David Jones asked when the DPW was moving out. He would like to get involved in landscaping the pole barn. President Mell said as soon as the pole barn is ready the DPW will move into the pole barn. David also suggested that the Ash Carleton park do something about there parking lot. President Don Mell advised that is a park commission issue and should be brought up at a park commission meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers asked if CSX had been advised about the sidewalk at the RR tracks. President Don Mell said that Blight Inspector, Tim Thompson, was taking care of it.

Cindy Boedinheimer suggested that the Village get a informative sign next to the Municipal building, to make the residents aware of council meetings, and things going on inside the Village.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m. made by Dennis McCormick, supported by Thom Zemke, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

America Runyan  
Village of Carleton

Next meeting August 10, 2009