

**VILLAGE OF CARLETON  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 22, 2010**

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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 Ron Lambrix, Councilmen Dennis McCormick, Don Mell, Bill Reckinger, Thom Zemke, Tom Reiser, and Chuck Collert. Also present, Engineer John Emig, Clerk America Runyan, and Attorney Jeff Osment. Absent were: Treasurer Peggy Leiffer.

Motion made by Dennis McCormick to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated March 08, 2010. Motion supported by Don Mell, with one correction made by Thom Zemke to change the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph under New Business that Peggy seen the estimated property valuation not the estimated budget. All in favor, motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Sewer Tap Ash Twp Fire Department -**

Councilmen Don Mell said we should do as our Engineer recommended and charge the Ash Twp Fire Hall 3.1 Reu's. Dennis McCormick said he will still vote no as he stated at the last meeting. Thom Zemke said, we have went with Engineer John Emig's recommendation in the past and we need to stay consistent. Bill Reckinger said we should go with 1 REU and try to measure the flow some how. Councilmen Mell says he disagrees and the Village should go by what our Engineer recommends. Attorney Jeff Osment says we should go by the blueprints and our Engineer. If there is a dispute between the Village Engineer and the Township Engineer then we should listen to both sides.

Motion made by Don Mell to require Ash Twp to purchase 3.1 REU's as the Village Engineer recommended, motion supported by Thom Zemke.

Roll Call:

Don Mell - Aye

Dennis McCormick – Nay

Thom Zemke – Aye

Chuck Collert –Nay

Tom Reiser – Aye

Bill Reckinger - Nay

3 Aye's 3 Nay's. Tie broke by President Ron Lambrix – Aye

Motion Carried

**BILLS**

Councilmen Bill Reckinger questioned how the bills were handled for the fiscal year. Reckinger asked if items purchased from last fiscal year get billed this fiscal year or if they get put back on last fiscal year budget. President Ron Lambrix said he will talk to Rose, the finance officer.

Motion made by Don Mell to pay the bills totaling \$26,825.80, motion supported by Chuck Collert all in favor, motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Approve the Distribution (Master Plan)** David Jones, Chairman of Planning Commission, wanted to thank Mr. Rob Peven, Monroe County Planning, for his help with the Master Plan. The planning commission is asking approval for a 63 day review, and distribution.

Motion made by Don Mell to approve distribution of the Master Plan, motion supported by Dennis McCormick, all in favor, motion carried

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Don Mell asked the Park Chairman, Al Madaski, if they needed the \$15,000.00 for the park. Al Madaski said yes they did.

Thom Zemke asked if the Blight officer was going around since the last meeting. There is a lot of Blight around town. President Ron Lambrix said he would have a talk with the Blight Officer.

Thom Zemke wants finance officer Rose to look at the budget. Thom said at the last meeting we got the adopted budget. At the bottom it says transfer to the Park \$25,000.00, it should be \$15,000.00. Rose should relook at that.

Attorney Jeff Osment said Chief Buckingham and himself have been looking at the street names and parking in Carleton Crossing. There is a winding street located in Carleton Crossing with three street names and they would like to make it one street name. There are no homes on this section of the street, and this is why they would like to get it taken care of. Jeff Osment has passed out a rough draft of the ordinance they have put together. He will try and get it on the agenda for next meeting. Once they are finished with it, it will be sent to the County and the 911 board.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Larry Buckingham said he went in and talked to the finance officer Rose, regarding the police budget. He says there are items and gas that were purchased before March 1, 2010 and they have been put on this years budget. Larry said Rose will not put them back into last years budget. Larry also said he talked to Rose and the auditors will not put it back in last years budget unless it is more than \$1000.00. Ron said he would talk to Rose.

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:23p.m.made by Don Mell, supported by Bill Reckinger, all in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

America Runyan, Clerk  
Village of Carleton

Next meeting April 12, 2010