

Carroll Village Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tammy Drobina with Pledge to the Flag.

At roll call members present were: Carole Dreier, David Cotner, Patricia Pierce, Clarence Thomas, Carolyn Davis; Chad Brown was absent.

Also present were Clerk Mary Dawson, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis Rose, Village Solicitor Jeffrey Feyko, and Police Chief Bradley McMenamin.

Visitors were Andy Wood, Middy Clum, Pat Thomas, Will Burns and several family and friends of police to be sworn in.

Mayor asked for a motion to amend the agenda to present Resolution 7-2012. Carole Dreier made the motion to amend the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Cotner, roll call was all in favor.

Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes from Regular meeting of 09-11-12. Patricia Pierce made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clarence Thomas. Roll Call was all in favor.

Each member received copies in their packet of computer generated Management Reports for end of September (Original to be signed by council and mayor). Also included is Primary Checking Account Reconciliation (to be signed by Mayor and Council); Paid and/or due bills presented to council on a spreadsheet (original to be signed by Finance Committee). Also included was the Mayor's monthly statement for September and Mayors Court activity with breakdown attached. Clerk included for Finance Committee to sign a copy of all Then and Now purchase orders for the month of September as recommended by the State Auditor. Also included was purchase order for \$30,000.00 to Fairfield Utilities and Resolution that was not signed last month.

Carolyn Davis made a motion to approve all the above, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carole Dreier, roll call was all in favor.

David Cotner C/P of Service Committee gave his report on meeting that was held 09-25-12. He reported on the increase in water rates. Base charge will go to \$21.00, additional gallons will go to \$5.69 per thousand effective January 1, 2013. Will review again before 2014, as Fairfield Utilities bills us an additional 3% the first of every year. Motion to have legislation prepared for the water rate increase was made by David Cotner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patricia Pierce. Cotner, Pierce, Dreier, Davis all voted yes, Thomas voted no. Motion passed.

Next for discussion was subdivision regulations and Zoning. Mayor stated they needed tailored to Carroll. This will take time and many meetings to complete. We would not be able to control builders and definitely need to have

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something in place before growth occurs. Solicitor Feyko advised to use Regional Planning Commission to make sure it is done right, they do this on an ongoing basis. David Cotner asked if zoning would be the same using Regional Planning Commission? Using RPC would keep things uniform. Thomas stated we can spend \$5000 and not have a dime's worth a difference from Baltimore's code. Carole Dreier made motion to enter into an agreement with Regional Planning Commission to update our zoning and prepare subdivision regulations, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patricia Pierce. Cotner, Pierce, Dreier and Davis voted yes, Thomas voted no. Motion passed.

Patricia Pierce C/P of Rules Committee gave report on meeting that was held 10-02-12. Changes that need made were discussed for Rules of Council were: omit prayer from agenda (we have never used); move the visitors comments after roll call (it is now at end of meeting); Committee meetings will be on an as-needed basis; delivery will be on Thursday before Council, not Friday as listed now; remove the word sponsor as council directs the solicitor on preparing of legislation.

Motion made by Carolyn Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carole Dreier to direct Solicitor to draw up an ordinance for the above. All in favor.

Committee will meet at a later date to go over the Employee manual.

Safety Committee met tonight before Council to elect a new chairperson. Carole Dreier was elected. Discussed that Police Dept. has a Taser Gun that is not working, Chief has been in touch with the company and it has been pro-rated and can be replaced (new gun) for \$670.00. This is the gun that Chief and Sgt. Billue purchased for the village. Chief also has one that is not working and he will be in contact with the Taser Company on the cost of having it replaced, it is quite old.

Motion to replace one taser for \$670 and repair or replace the other, not to exceed \$870, made by Carole Dreier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patricia Pierce. All in favor.

Discussion on seasonal officer which was for the summer but has worked out well and would like to continue at this time. Carole Dreier made motion to continue as we are doing now, 2<sup>nd</sup> by David Cotner, all were in favor. Safety Committee also approved taking to council the Grant for a new cruiser.

**Police Report** for September 2012 was submitted by Lt. Jason Blankenship and reported to council by Chief Bradley McMenamin.

Mayor swore in two new auxiliary officers, Virgil Weilbacher and James Jackson, Jr. Offc. Weilbacher's wife pinned his badge, and Offc. Jackson's son pinned his badge. They were welcomed to Carroll.

Auxiliary officers are not paid.

**Dennis Rose-Code Enforcement Officer** Attended a meeting about Grant money that is available for abandoned buildings, there is \$750,000 available in Fairfield County. He gave the  
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steps that need taken to declare a building abandoned before  
being torn down.

#### **Solicitor Report**

Mr. Feyko reported there is only one new piece of  
legislation tonight and that is to apply for grant money for  
a new cruiser.

#### **Mayors General Information**

Each member of council has a report from Mayor Drobina. She  
noted some obsolete computer equipment was donated to SOCIL  
for handicapped people to use and a new cleaning person has  
been hired as an Independent Contractor.

She reported she is still in contact with Quasar about the  
lagoon odor, it seems to be improving.

Holiday banners have been received and paid for by the RICC  
and Carroll Area Historical Society, she thanked those  
groups and feels this will brighten up the village.

*(Mayor's report is available in its entirety at the clerk's  
office.)*

Mayor stated she would like a motion to go into executive  
session after visitor's comments to discuss land  
acquisition. Carole Dreier made a motion to do so, 2<sup>nd</sup> by  
Patricia Pierce, all in favor.

In old business, Waste Management is still working on a  
proposal for trash receptacles for the downtown area.

Also, last month David Cotner stated that the school did not  
have the money to tear down the old buildings, after the  
minutes came out the Mayor said she received an email from  
the school superintendent who was concerned about  
misinformation to the public, as they are going to tear down  
the buildings.

In new business, Mayor received a request from a S. Beaver  
Street resident asking that something be done with the alley  
that intersects the elementary driveway, as parked cars  
block his garage. She told him she would bring it to  
Council. There had been posts there in the past to block off  
the alley to the driveway but were later removed.  
Council discussed the problem and decided to wait and see if  
the opening of the new building improves the situation. If  
something needs to be done about blocking the alley, we will  
have a public meeting for feedback.

Mayor said she wants to have a tire collection day next year  
and will be applying for a grant to cover the cost. She  
would like to include Greenfield Township as well and asked  
if Council had any objection before she approached the  
Trustees; there was none.

Mayor also is looking for grant funds for improvements to  
the Civic Center. This building is owned by Greenfield  
Township and leased by the Village so she would like to  
partner with them to submit the application, and asked if  
there were any objections to that. There were none.

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First reading was held on Resolution R7-2012 to submit a grant application for purchase of police cruiser. Carole Dreier made a motion to bypass the three reading rule and declare an emergency, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patricia Pierce, all were in favor. David Cotner made a motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clarence Thomas, all were in favor.

Second reading was held on Resolution R4-2012 to support Lancaster Public Transit, and on Ordinance 2012-12 consent for plowing of snow under the supervision of Fairfield County Engineer.

Clerk Dawson told Council if they had any questions on the Village Administrator's Report he said they were welcome to contact him anytime. She read a letter from James Wallace, Rushville Mayor, thanking us for the lagoon parts we gave them. She went over a few of the delinquent utility bills.

There were no visitor's comments.

Council went into executive session with the Solicitor invited at 7:51pm. Council reconvened at 8:04pm.

With no further business, motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Next regular meeting of council is November 13, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M.

MAYORS APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_

CLERK \_\_\_\_\_  
Meeting was not recorded (technical difficulties)