

## VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON

### Minutes of the January 9, 2012 Regular Council Meeting

President Erine Adams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members of the Council present: Jon Michael Suvada, Marc McKee, Michael Butler, Diane Lippert, Erine Adams and Bruce Yannatta. Absent: Joan Murphy. Others present were: Kathy Murphy, Michael Tomaszewski, Krista Tacey-Cater, Owen Skarbek, Tony Medina, Nicole Crespo, Linda Mesler, Dan Fishel, Pam Ostling, Jim Ostling, Jen Weber, Desiree Marshall, Joe Quintana, AJ Kory, Carl Jock, Bradley Biggs and Dawn Dodge. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an Invocation given by Trustee Butler.

#### REGULAR AGENDA

Trustee McKee would like to add "council comments" under New Business.

Moved by Butler, seconded by McKee, to approve the Regular Agenda. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

None

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Yannatta, seconded by Butler, to accept the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: Butler, Adams, Yannatta, Lippert and McKee. Nays: Suvada. Absent: Murphy. The motion carried.

#### SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT

Officer Quintana gave the sheriff's report.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Lowe informed the council that he received an email from Trustee Murphy regarding her absence at the meeting.

Has met with most of the council member's regarding their priorities.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Butler gave a report on the library.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### **-North Country Computers**

President Adams moved this up from New Business, as she believes the issue is resolved and no representative from North Country Computers was in attendance.

##### **-Finance Committee Policy**

Manager Lowe drafted a finance committee policy and it is attached to the agenda.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Yannatta, to accept the finance committee policy as presented. Ayes: Butler, Lippert, McKee, Yannatta, Suvada and Adams. Nays: None. Absent: Murphy. The motion carried.

President Adams appointed Marc McKee and Michael Butler to the finance committee for one year.

Moved by Lippert, seconded by Yannatta, to appoint Marc McKee and Michael Butler to the finance committee for one year. Ayes: Adams, Suvada, Yannatta, Lippert, Butler and McKee. Nays: None. Absent: Murphy. The motion carried.

**-FEMA Resolution**

Moved by McKee, seconded by Butler, to adopt the FEMA Resolution as presented. Ayes: McKee, Lippert, Butler, Suvada, Adams and Yannatta. Nays: None. Absent: Murphy. The motion carried.

**-Insurance Work Session Date**

President Adams scheduled a special meeting on January 23, 2012 at 5:30 PM to meet with each interested insurance carrier.

**-Manager's Evaluation**

President Adams informed the council that there was a copy of the manager's evaluation in the agenda and has asked the council members to fill it out and bring it to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

**-Audio/Video Taping of Meetings**

There was a discussion regarding the pros and cons of taping the meetings. Manager Lowe will be checking into audio taping the meetings.

**-Fund Balance House Call**

Manager Lowe explained some of the problems that have occurred with Fund Balance networking.

**-Council Comments**

There was a discussion regarding the necessity of "Council Comments" on the agenda. Trustee McKee believes it is not being used properly and it causes too much negativity.

Moved by McKee, seconded by Butler, to remove "Council Comments" from the agenda. Ayes: McKee. Nays: Lippert, Suvada, Adams, Butler and Yannatta. The motion failed.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Dan Fishel: Gave a history on the floods of Roscommon.

Linda Mesler: Questioned why there are "no" votes on the consent agenda without explanation, and asked what exactly a consent agenda was. She also asked about the procedure regarding pay raises and the 5% raise given by the council to an employee at the last meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Trustee Yannatta: Would like to remain local regarding the insurance and reminded the council to try and buy local as much as possible.

President Adams: Acknowledged there were a couple of students in the audience and welcomed them.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

President Adams: The manager has the list.

Trustee McKee would like to add the vandalism in the cemetery on the agenda.

Moved by Butler, seconded by McKee, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

These Minutes subject to approval at the next council meeting.

Erine Adams  
Village President

Dawn M. Dodge  
Village Clerk