

**VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON**  
Minutes of the May 23, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

President Jesse Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members of the Council present were Erine Adams, Stephen Morris, Jesse Carlson, Marc McKee, Mike Butler, Jon Michael Suvada and Joan Murphy. Others present were: Dave Hodges, Rebecca Blasius, Elizabeth Blasius, G. R. Stins, Krista Tacey, Justin Hatfield, Mary Lou Jennette, Thomas O'Brien, Katy Shannon, Morgan Miller, Scott Kelly, Dan Fishel, Nick Brookes, Marash Gojcaj, Rob Floeter, Jacob Christian, Shari Dickson, Linda Mesler, Rosalie Myer, Kathy-Pardo Carlson, Justin Fore and Dawn Dodge. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an Invocation given by Trustee Morris.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

Moved by Butler, seconded by Adams, to approve the Regular Agenda with the addition of a Hilltop Manor request (Murphy) and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade (Sadowski). Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

Marash Gojcaj commented on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade.

Linda Mesler questioned what the regular agenda actually was.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Suvada, to approve the consent agenda including the Minutes of the May 9, 2011 meeting, checks written since last meeting and bills to be paid excluding the two bills not yet received, Priority Health and United Healthcare. Trustee Murphy requested the Clerk contact Trustee Murphy and Trustee Suvada when the bills arrive so they may come in and initial them. Ayes: Morris, Murphy, McKee, Suvada, Adams, Butler and Carlson. Motion carried.

**APPEAL – SIGN ORDINANCE**

Tom O'Brien presented drawings of the community service organization sign the Rotary would like to install. It is not in conformity with the sign ordinance and he is asking for a variance. If Council so approves, the next step would be to request a billboard permit through MDOT.

Moved by Butler, seconded by McKee, to grant a variance to the Rotary Club for the sign to be placed within the village limits. Ayes: Suvada, McKee, Butler, Carlson, Morris, Adams and Murphy.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

Manager Sadowski gave his report.

Regarding the drainage complaint on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, the DPW will attempt to do shoulder work. Trustee Suvada requested Manager Sadowski to contact Fleis and Vandenbrink to see if they would fix it for free.

Regarding 1190 Tisdale, it will be put on the next agenda.

Manager Sadowski informed the Council that shirts are going to be ordered and he is passing around a sheet of paper for sizing information.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Butler gave a report on the library.

Trustee Morris informed Council that there will be an ordinance committee meeting on Wednesday, June 8 at 1 PM.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sidewalk Replacement Plan -- Dave Hodges has submitted his plan for the Council to review.

Street Light Repairs and Upgrades – Dave Hodges reported that this will always be under unfinished business.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Industrial Park Development – Trustee Murphy would like to make a long-range plan to bring water and sewer into the Industrial Park and perhaps have it rezoned as commercial rather than industrial.

Targets for Emergency Financial Manager Takeover – Manager Sadowski spoke on an article he received.

Appoint Recreation Committee – Manager Sadowski informed the Council that a recreation committee needs to be appointed.

Moved by Adams, seconded by Murphy, to appoint Morris, Suvada and Butler to the Recreation Committee. Ayes: 6. Nays: 1. The motion carried.

203 N. Third Street. Manager Sadowski informed the Council that a resident came to Village Hall complaining about a fence that is in disrepair. The fence is on village property, but is not the Village's fence. The council did not want to repair the fence as it is not the Village's.

#### Wallace Park

Commemorative Park Bench – a letter is attached from the Dunn Family.

Moved by Morris, seconded by Murphy, to approve the Dunn family to allow them to put a commemorative bench in Wallace Park with the site to be determined by the Recreation Committee. Ayes: Butler, McKee, Adams, Carlson, Murphy, Suvada and Morris.

Pavilion Roof Replacement – The DPW will get estimates and recommendations from local roofers. Dave Hodges reminded the Council that the Lions Club built the pavilion and perhaps they should be contacted as they may be willing to help with the repair.

#### Picnic Table

Manager Sadowski informed the Council that there was money budgeted for a picnic table at Wallace Park.

Moved by Suvada, seconded by Butler, to allow the Manager to purchase a picnic table similar to the one already there, not to exceed \$1,000. Ayes: Butler, McKee, Carlson, Morris, Murphy, Adams and Suvada. Nays: None. The motion carried.

#### VVA Chapter 264 Poppy Drive

Moved by Adams, seconded by Butler, to approve the VVA poppy sale. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

#### Village Clerk Request

Moved by Butler, seconded by Suvada, to approve the \$131 for the Village Clerk to attend the MAMC conference. Ayes: Morris, Murphy, Butler, McKee, Suvada, Adams and Carlson. Nays: None. The motion carried.

#### Hilltop Manor Request

Trustee Murphy received a request from the liaison at Hilltop Manor and was informed they would like to name a room at Hilltop the "Roscommon Room" and they are looking for pictures to hang in the room.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

Manager Sadowski already submitted paperwork regarding the road closure for the parade.

Moved by Adams, seconded by Morris, to accept the 4<sup>th</sup> of July road closure. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

#### PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Kathy Pardo-Carlson spoke of the Air National Guard concert on July 1.

Linda Mesler: Questioned the recreation plan and inquired whether or not there would be members of the public on the committee.

Dave Hodges: Questioned whether the Council was purchasing a bench or a picnic table. Suggested that the bench and picnic table be ordered from the same place so they look the same.

Dan Fishel: Commented on the sign ordinance, yard sale signs, flower beds and the students present at the meeting.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Trustee Adams thanked the students for attending.

Trustee Morris informed the Council that the Tall Pine District Boy Scouts will be holding their camp at the Firemen's Training Grounds in Roscommon in September.

Trustee McKee commented on Dan Fishel's comment about the council.

Trustee Butler would like to honor Kathy Pardo-Carlson as a prime contributor to the Village of Roscommon.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Zoning Administrator Report.  
Letter regarding 301 Main.  
Village booth at the River Festival.  
Chip and seal on M-18.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Roof replacement

Dave Hodges spoke of borrowing a rototiller last year and would like to purchase a disk for the tractor. They are approximately \$800 new. Dave found a used one for half the price. The Council agreed if he finds one for under \$500, the Manager can approve it.

Moved by Butler, seconded by Suvada, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

These minutes subject to approval at the next council meeting.

Jesse M. Carlson  
Village President

Dawn M. Dodge  
Village Clerk