

VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON

Minutes of the September 26, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

President Jesse Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Members of the Council present: Jesse Carlson, Mike Butler, Diane Lippert, Jon Michael Suvada, Joan Murphy, Marc McKee and Erine Adams. Others present were: Chris Fishell, Krista Tacey, Jon Suvada, Bruce Yannatta, Dan Fishel, Joanne Lederman, Pam Ostling, Kathy Pardo-Carlson, Linda Mesler, Andrew Gookin and Dawn Dodge. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an Invocation given by Trustee Butler.

REGULAR AGENDA

Trustee Butler would like to add replacement of village present and new trustee under New Business.

Trustee Suvada would like to add sign proposals regarding dogs under New Business.

Trustee Adams would like to add RMRA under New Business.

Moved by Butler, seconded by Adams, to approve the Regular Agenda with the proposed additions. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

Dan Fishel made complaints regarding the September 12, 2011 minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Adams, seconded by Murphy, to accept the consent agenda including the Minutes of the September 12, 2011 Regular Meeting, bills to be paid in the amount of \$8,571.48 and checks written since last meeting in the amount of \$50,216.49. Ayes: Murphy, Adams, Carlson, Lippert, Butler and Suvada. Nays: McKee. The motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Lowe reported that he has discussed the AT&T contract with the DPW and AT&T regarding the additional antennas they would like to install. They will be having a meeting in the near future.

M-33 Access has had discussions with the Village regarding tying into Frontier's lines to provide internet, cable and telephone services.

The MML will be having a training session in Boyne City in November and the manager reported there is enough money in training in the budget to send all council members and would like to see all council members attend.

The manager has been reviewing the budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Butler gave an update on the library.

Trustee Suvada reported that the DPW poured concrete for the picnic table and bench and that they both have been installed.

Trustee Butler reported that the cemetery board will be meeting at the cemetery at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, September 27.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-Sign Village Manager's Contract

The manager signed the contract.

-Pavilion Roof Bids

President Carlson reviewed the three bids.

Moved by Suvada, seconded by Murphy, to accept the bid from Roofs of the North in the amount of \$3,900 with the stipulation that it be taken to the DDA to see if they will help pay.

Ayes: Murphy, Suvada, Butler, Carlson, Adams and Lippert. Nays: McKee. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

-MDOT Highway Permit Authorization

Moved by Murphy, seconded by McKee, to appoint Allen Lowe and Dave Hodges to be authorized to sign the permits. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Moved by Butler, seconded by Suvada, to participate in the planning process to update the Roscommon County Hazard Mitigation Plan. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

-Budget Amendments

Moved by Butler, seconded by McKee, to accept the budget amendments as presented. Ayes: Suvada, McKee, Butler, Lippert, Adams, Murphy and Carlson. Nays: None. The motion carried.

-Credit Card Policy

Manager Lowe informed the council that the credit card policy needs to be updated. The issue is tabled so the manager can type up a new policy for council's approval.

-Replacement of Village President

President Carlson presented his letter of resignation.

Moved by Butler, seconded by McKee, to accept the letter of resignation of Jesse Carlson effective October 1 with regret. All in favor. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

-Signs for dogs

Trustee Suvada presented samples of signs regarding dogs in the park. The issue was tabled in order to research laws and ordinances.

-Flowers in the Village

President Carlson apologized for not adding this issue to the agenda at the beginning of the meeting. He would like to acknowledge the community members who helped with the flowers

this summer and give special acknowledgement to three youths that helped with the flowers: Tony Medina, Robert Emery and Chris Inhulsen.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Linda Mesler: Questioned the enforcement of dog littering and littering in general.
Commented on the stones that are being thrown on the pavilion roof at Wallace Park.

-RMRA (Item forgotten under New Business)

Trustee Adams had questions regarding RMRA and who exactly they are accountable to.
President Carlson would like the manager to speak with someone from RMRA.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Bruce Yannatta: Sorry to see Jesse go. Commented on the stones that are being thrown on the pavilion roof at Wallace Park.

Kathy Pardo-Carlson: Would like to applaud Allen Lowe for finding the training from the MML.
Stated that there is a county ordinance regarding dogs.

Joanne Lederman: Thanked Jesse for his service. Commented on the sign ordinance. Would like to see someone else drive the flower-watering tractor next summer as a substitute if needed.

Dan Fishel: The summer started off terrible with the vandalism, but then improved.

Andrew Gookin: Thanked Jesse for his service.

Chris Fishell: Questioned if there was a limit to the length of a leash a dog must be on.
President Carlson suggested she call the animal control officer.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Trustee Adams: Sorry to see Jesse resign.

Trustee Suvada: Thanked Jesse for his service. Informed the council he will not be at the next council meeting due to his vacation.

Trustee McKee: Sorry to see Jesse go.

Trustee Butler: Sorry to see Jesse go.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Trustee Butler: Snow removal

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Suvada, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. All in favor.
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