

MINUTES
CARLOS TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
March 11, 2014

The Annual Carlos Township Meeting was held at the Carlos Town Hall. Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson represented the Town Board. There were approximately 15 other citizens in attendance.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Nominations for Moderator were called for from the floor. Dean Yohnke nominated Kevin Gorghuber with Dwayne Waldorf seconding the motion. On a voice vote, Kevin Gorghuber was chosen as Moderator.

Moderator Gorghuber chose to approve the minutes for the 2013 Annual Meeting after guests have made their presentations and levy requests voted.

Moderator Kevin Gorghuber indicated a change in town's people voting on levy requests for contracted vendors, such as the Cities of Alexandria and Carlos for fire protection.

GUESTS:

1. **Alexandria Fire Department:** Jeff Karrow, Fire Chief of the Alexandria Fire Department presented call stats for 2013 which included 191 and 6 mutual aid calls. The levy for 2015 is \$26,672, which is an increase from \$22,439.
2. **Carlos Fire Department:** Mike Trinka representing the Carlos Fire Department went over statistics and financials for 2013. They are requesting \$34,000 for 2015 which is an increase from \$32,870 from 2014. They will be looking at purchasing a new fire truck sometime in the future.
3. **Alexandria Area Economic Development Commission:** Kevin Kopischke addressed the group requesting \$19,750, an increase from \$19,000 for 2014. He gave a summary of AAEDC latest and upcoming projects including purchasing land in the Industrial Park.
4. **Lakes Area Recreation:** There was no representative from LAR, therefore, Clerk Rebecca Anderson stated the amount LAR is requesting is \$6,051 which is up from \$6,042 from 2014.
5. **Carlos First Responders:** Jason Thimmesh, addressed the townspeople requesting \$3,150 which is the same as 2014. The call census for 2013 was 50 calls.

Moderator Gorghuber then asked for motions on the following levy requests:

AAEDC: Steve Henry moved to approve the request to AAEDC in the amount of \$19,750. Eileen Bachmann seconded the motion and it carried.

Lakes Area Recreation: Denny Steen moved to approve the request for LAR in the amount of \$6,051. Steve Henry seconded the motion and it carried.

Carlos First Responders: Kevin Kopishke moved to approve the request of \$3,150. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried.

Copies of the minutes from the last Annual Meeting held on March 12, 2013 had been distributed to the townspeople in attendance. Time had been allowed for reviewing them. Rod Meyers moved to approve the minutes as printed. Mike Maudal seconded the motion and it carried on a voice vote.

Old Business:

Treasurer Dean Yohnke presented the townspeople with the Treasurer/Clerk's Report for 2013 along with the Three Year Comparison report in regard to expenses incurred by the township.

Steve Henry moved to approve the Treasurer/Clerk's report as presented. Eileen Bachmann seconded the motion and it carried.

New Business:

Moderator Gorghuber went over the Levy requests for 2015.

GENERAL FUND: Kevin Kopischke moved to set the General Fund Levy at \$30,000. Denny Steen Covell seconded the motion and it carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Denny Steen moved to set the Road & Bridge levy at \$200,000. Fred Kollmann seconded the motion. This is a decrease of \$50,000 from the 2014 Levy. There was discussion held on what projects the board had in mind for this year. With the ending balance of 2013 and the levy request of 2014, the board felt it could lower the levy by this amount. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

DEPOSITORY: Eileen Bachmann moved to continue using Black Ridge Bank of Carlos as the depository for Township funds. Steve Henry seconded the motion and it carried.

POSTING PLACES: Steve Henry moved to keep posting notices at the Town Hall, Gas Mart, Sunny's, and on the Carlos Township Website; www.carlostownship.org. Kevin Kopischke seconded the motion and it carried.

NEWSPAPER: Eileen Bachmann motioned to continue using the Echo Press as the official newspaper. Grace Norgren seconded the motion and it carried.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL TOWNSHIP ELECTION: Denny Steen moved to hold the next Township Election on the second Tuesday in March from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the Carlos Town Hall. Fred Kollmann seconded the motion and it carried.

TIME AND PLACE FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING: Denny Steen moved to hold the next Annual Meeting at the Carlos Town Hall at 8:00 PM following the township election. Fred Kollmann seconded the motion and it carried.

CALCIUM CHLORIDE APPLICATION: The Township will continue to pay for this application for the township residents. Steve Henry moved to leave the application to the discretion of the board. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried.

GOPHER BOUNTY: Bill Krivanek moved to keep the pocket gopher bounty at \$3.00 and striped at \$0.50. Steve Henry seconded the motion and it carried.

UN-OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS: There were 24 votes cast: Rod Meyers won re-election for the 3-year supervisor position with 23 votes and Rebecca Anderson won re-election for the clerk position with 23 votes. The official ballot results are on file with the clerk.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The towns people are very happy with the road maintenance served by R&R Ready mix. Many residents expressed they felt this maintainer has been the best the township has had. The contract is awarded for 1 year at a time

DOG PROBLEMS: There will always be dog issues, so this is not something new to the board.

SPRAYING OF WEEDS: Township weed inspector, Rod Meyers mailed 12 notices to residents last year to take care of noxious weeds.

FROM THE FLOOR:

State Park Playground Equipment:

Eileen Bachmann reported on the \$1,000 that had been given to the State Park for playground equipment in 2011. She stated the park purchased 10 pairs of snow shoes. She gave a brief summary of winter events that have been very successful for the park.

County Commissioner Bev Bales addressed the group and gave a brief summary of what the county board is looking to address in 2015 along with what issues were addressed for 2014.

There being no further business to come before the group, a motion was made by Kevin Kopischke and seconded by Bev Bales Covell to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM, the motion carried.

**MINUTES
BOARD OF CANVASS
March 11, 2014**

The Board of Canvass was called to order at 9:45 PM with the following members in attendance: Dwayne Waldorf, Rodney Meyers, Bill Krivanek, Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson. Chairman Waldorf reviewed the un-official election results. A motion was made by Bill Krivanek and seconded by Dwayne Waldorf to declare the election results official. The motion carried. There being no further business to come before this Board, Bill Krivanek moved to adjourn the meeting. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

Moderator - Kevin Gorghuber

Clerk - Rebecca Anderson