

MINUTES
CARLOS TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING
March 14, 2017

The Annual Carlos Township Meeting was held at the Carlos Town Hall. Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson represented the Town Board. There were approximately 20 other residents in attendance.

Clerk Rebecca Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The township board members introduced themselves to the residents in attendance.

Nominations for Moderator was called for from the floor. Dwayne Waldorf moved to nominate Kevin Kopischke and Bill Krivanek motioned for Mike Maudal. Dwayne Waldorf moved to cease nominations. Rod Meyers seconded the motion. On a voice call vote, Mike Maudal was chosen as Moderator.

Moderator Maudal chose to approve the minutes for the 2016 Annual Meeting after residents had a few minutes to review last year's minutes. Dwayne Waldorf moved to approve the 2016 Annual Minutes. Kevin Kopischke seconded the motion and it carried on a voice vote.

Moderator Maudal 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. However, there would be a report for each fire department.

GUESTS:

- Alexandria Fire Department:** There was not a representative from the Alexandria Fire Department. The Levy for 2018 was \$19,745, down from \$20,884 for 2017. This decrease is due mainly to a 3.35% decrease in the five year average of fire calls to Carlos Township.
- Carlos Fire Department:** Mike Trinka, Adam Pitcher and new Fire Chief Jake Steidl, represented the Carlos Fire Department. Mike Trinka went over the financials for 2016. The levy for 2018 will be \$37,135 which is an increase from 2017 for \$36,050. They have 28 firefighters and 3 are on probation. Ray Bielke asked if insurance departments reimburse the department for grass fire calls. No, the department does not charge for fire calls that include grass, homes, etc. However, billing is currently being done for car crashes outside the fire district's jurisdiction. Therefore, if an Alexandria resident has an accident in the Carlos Fire district, that resident would be charged. The department also received a \$20,000 grant to purchase a second Jaw of Life.
- Alexandria Area Economic Development Commission:** Kevin Kopischke addressed the group. He gave a summary of AAEDC latest and upcoming projects. AAEDC is

requesting \$18,500 which is a decrease from \$20,500 for 2017. The property owned along the freeway has now been sold at a profit which was a good investment.

4. **Lakes Area Recreation:** There was not a representative from LAR. They are requesting \$6,192, which is an increase from 2017 of \$6,114. Clerk Rebecca Anderson reported the amount requested is based on the 2015 population of the township at \$3.00 per person.
5. **Carlos First Responders:** There was not a representative from the First Responders. Their request has not changed from 2017, which is \$3,330.

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

AAEDC: Eileen Bachmann moved to approve the request for AAEDC in the amount of \$18,500. Roy Nodsle seconded the motion and it carried.

Lakes Area Recreation: Dwayne Waldorf moved to approve the request for LAR in the amount of \$6,192. Rick De Rosier seconded the motion and it carried.

Carlos First Responders: Ray Bielke moved to approve the request of \$3,330. Eileen Bachmann seconded the motion and it carried.

Old Business:

Treasurer Dean Yohnke presented the townspeople with the Treasurer/Clerk's Report for 2016 along with the Three Year Comparison report in regard to expenses incurred by the township. Dwayne Waldorf moved to approve the treasurer's report. Wayne Rediehs seconded the motion and it carried.

New Business:

Moderator Maudal went over the Levy requests for 2018.

GENERAL FUND: Dwayne Waldorf moved to set the General Fund Levy at \$20,000 which is a decrease from 2017 of \$5,000. Wayne Rediehs seconded the motion and it carried.

ROAD & BRIDGE: Bill Krivanek requested the board discuss item #9 on the agenda before setting the levy for Road & Bridge.

AUTHORIZATION FOR MONITORING MANURE LINES: a motion is needed to authorize the Board of Supervisors to adopt an ordinance to allow permitting and regulation of pressurized flexible force mains in the right of way. After much discussion, Eileen Bachmann moved to authorize the board to adopt an ordinance. Roy Nodsle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

DEPOSITORY: Ray Bielke moved to continue using Black Ridge Bank of Carlos as the depository for Township funds. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried.

POSTING PLACES: Clerk Rebecca Anderson moved to keep posting notices at the same location as the previous year, which includes the Carlos Town Hall, Gas Mart, Herby's and Sunnies, along with notices being posted on the Carlos Township Website; www.carlostownship.org. Dean Yohnke seconded the motion and it carried.

NEWSPAPER: Rebecca Anderson motioned to continue using the Echo Press as the official newspaper. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL TOWNSHIP ELECTION: The board discussed the possibility of moving the annual township election to November in even years. The board received a letter after the 2016 election in which a candidate won a supervisor position via a write in campaign. This occurs when a small group of people are upset with a decision of a supervisor. Due to a low voter turnout, a write in campaign can be successful in voting out a candidate. This results has occurred in Carlos Township before and in other townships. Bill Krivanek felt people should have a choice, as that is how democracy is conducted. Dan Lehmkuhl, who was the write in candidate for 2016, felt the election should continue to be held every March. Wayne Rediehs moved to place the question on the 2018 Township election ballot. Rick De Rosier seconded the motion which carried on a voice vote. With that said, Eileen Bachmann moved to hold the next Township Election on March 13, 2018 with the polls opening at 4 PM and closing at 8 PM. Dwayne Waldorf seconded the motion and it carried.

TIME AND PLACE FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING: Dean Yohnke moved to hold the next Annual Meeting at the Carlos Town Hall at 8:00 PM following the township election. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

PAVING TOWNSHIP ROADS: The board is looking for feedback to begin the process of paving roads in residential developments. The board would pave one road a year based on the cost of oil and the size of project.

The town board's process for paving a road is by either receiving a petition from residents on a particular road or by action initiated by the board.

It is getting extremely difficult to maintain gravel roads that have high volumes of traffic. Usually these developments have one way in and out and are used primarily by the residents who live on these roads. Rod Meyers read a letter Dennis Angland, a resident of Hidden Oaks. He stated the positive attributes that living on a paved road do for the community along with the increase value of homes. The feedback was positive from those residents attending the meeting to move forward with this process.

ROAD & BRIDGE LEVY: Roy Nodsle moved to levy the Road & Bridge fund for \$250,000. Bill Krivanek seconded the motion and it carried.

CALCIUM CHLORIDE APPLICATION: Mark Hintermeyer appreciated the application of calcium chloride on Pike Road. Dwayne Waldorf feels that Carlos Miltona needs additional calcium chloride on the south end. The Miltona Carlos Bridge may be replaced this summer. If that happens, the county and township are in a partnership in where the road would be paved south of the bridge to the county road. The board is also looking to add asphalt from the bridge north to North Riverview for a continuous roadway.

GOPHER BOUNTY: Wayne Rediehs moved to keep the pocket gopher bounty at \$3.00 and striped at \$0.50. Rod Meyers seconded the motion and it carried.

UN-OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS: There were 78 votes cast. For the 3-Year Supervisor office, Rodney Meyers won re-election with 76 votes and Dwayne Waldorf received one write in vote. There was 1 non vote for this office. For the 2-year treasurer's office, Dean Yohnke won re-election with 76 votes. There were 2 non-votes for this office. The official ballot results are on file with the clerk.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The residents of Park Lane would like the board to view the manholes and sealcoat this road. The board looked at it last year and decided to delay sealcoating Park Lane. The manholes were addressed with Mark Lee doing the work. The board will view these on the road tour coming up in the next month.

Dwayne Waldorf felt the road work done on Prairie Road East was unnecessary. The board added Geo-textile to Prairie Road and Carlos Timbers East, due to severe frost boils on each road.

Dennis Angland stated there is an issue of poor visibility on a corner of Hidden Oaks. He had spoken with a neighbor and she felt if children were on the road, there could be an accident. The board will look at this on the road tour.

DOG PROBLEMS: No issues to report. The township does have an Animal Ordinance which can be enforced by the county sheriff's office.

SPRAYING OF WEEDS: If anyone knows of trouble spots, to contact a township supervisor.

FROM THE FLOOR: There has not been any update on when the landfill on Pike road will reach a sunset date. Any issues from the landfill are monitored by the state.

The board has met with residents who live along South Lake Miltona Drive in regards to beginning the process of forming a subordinate service district for a sewer system. They

are not looking for money from the township, however, they need a government agency to assist as a taxing authority in implementing the project.

Moderator Mike Maudal thanked the board members for the work they do for the township.

There being no further business to come before the group, a motion was made by Dwayne Waldorf and seconded by Rick De Rosier to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM, the motion carried.

**MINUTES
BOARD OF CANVASS
March 14, 2017**

The Board of Canvass was called to order at 10:10 PM with the following members in attendance: Rodney Meyers, Bill Krivanek, Dan Lehmkuhl, Dean Yohnke and Rebecca Anderson. Chairman Meyers reviewed the un-official election results. A motion was made by Bill Krivanek and seconded by Dan Lehmkuhl 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. Dan Lehmkuhl seconded the motion and it carried.

Moderator – Mike Maudal

Clerk – Rebecca Anderson