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**CARVER**  
  
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The preliminary unofficial/unapproved notes for city council minutes were referenced for compilation of reports in this paper.

**City Council News:**

*Village Hall Repairs*

Ken Frey, city employee presented the city council on March 4th with cost estimates for repairs in restrooms, as well as estimates for the upstairs floor. Many compliments have been received on the job done in the basement area. The floor upstairs is to be done, possibly prior to the Lion's annual Cadillac dinner.

On March 18th, Frey informed the council that the floor.. upstairs was completed.

*Parking*

Frey also requested on March 4th that diagonal parking be designated on the east side of Broadway, north of Fourth Street, with parallel parking on the west side of the street. He will talk with individuals involved, requesting that they park diagonal on east side, parallel on west side. There will not be any installation of signs. Motion was made by Councilman Lowe for diagonal parking on west side of Broadway Street between Fourth and Fifth Streets, seconded by Councilman Meyers. Motion carried.

*Clean - Up*

Discussion also took place on March 4th, regarding the Riverside Cafe parking and miscellaneous items hindering snowplowing. Letter is to be sent requesting correction of the problems.

*Hall Rental*

Brian Dahlke has requested hall rental for a wedding on May 31st, 1986.

Tim Golden has requested hall rental for a wedding.

The Rickaby's have requested rental of the hall for a graduation.

*Streets*

On March 18th, Frey asked the council if the city supplied culverts for new homes. The mayor felt it had not been a policy in the past. The council was not in favor of starting such a policy.

The mayor explained the reason for culvert repairs on a driveway on Sixth Street which was to prevent further loss of the street as the water was washing out the road. Immediate action was required to prevent the road from caving in.

*Street Sweeping*

Frey was to contact street sweepers with spring approaching, at the March 18th meeting. It was felt that it would be best to do as soon as possible before spring housecleaning.

The mayor inquired about how the council felt about Frey checking into an attachment for the tractor for street sweeping. Someone would still have to clean up the debris left by the sweeper. Councilman Lowe was to obtain literature on a sweeper.

*City Administrator Position*

Mike Mornson appeared before the council on March 4th, regarding the available City Administrator position. Mornson recently completed the water comprehensive plan application for the city as a consultant. Mayor Jordan summarized the history of the MYNCH circuit rider program that the City of Carver had participated in.

The city of Young America was interested in a fifty-fifty share system of cost and time. Mornson questioned the council about whether or not the City of Carver felt that there was a need for an administrator. The City of Young America was interested but without the City of Carver participating, they did not feel they could hire Mornson on a full-time basis, the city was told. However, if the City of Carver did not feel the need, they would consider hiring on a part time basis.

The mayor asked Mornson what he had to offer the city, especially about raising taxes. Mornson's response was that small cities have restrictions, as well as difficulty raising revenues without raising property taxes. Grants were one alternative. Other possibilities would be raising rental fees, licenses, photocopying and such. Mornson stated that he would assist in budget preparation, attend meetings, be the council's spokesperson and problem solver, as well as to assist the City Clerk. Mornson inquired how long the city had been operating without an administrator. The mayor responded that it had been two years. (Editors' note: Former administrator resigned December 31, 1983.)

Mornson requested a salary of \$ 19,500 and he further explained how he had come to that figure. He was asked how he would schedule his time between the two cities. He explained his thoughts.

Upcoming sewer projects and possible other projects; i.e., water; it was concluded that the City Clerk would be requiring assistance. John Stewart, sewer engineer advised to have financial experience on staff with the money that would be handled on a daily basis.

Councilman Meyers motioned to table the issue until the next meetings, seconded by Councilman Wendland. Motion carried. The council was interested in hiring Mr. Mornson but felt that more time was needed to discuss the subject further.

Statement was made that Mornson would be available to start April 1st, 1985.

*"Times"*

**By Margaret Lemke**

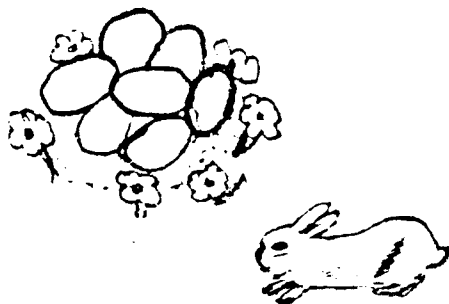
**Young America City Council members approved the hiring of Michael Mortenson as shared city administrator with the City of Carver at last week's meeting. Mortenson's hiring is still contingent upon Carver's approving a contract with him. Carver is scheduled to make a decision at their next meeting March 18.**

**Montenson's approved salary was set at \$19,500, which will be shared between the two cities at a cost of \$9,750 per city, not including benefits. Mortenson will be working on economic development plans, finding ways to raise revenue, and doing other types of research for Young America, and similar work in Carver. He will divide his week between the two cities. If approved by Carver, Mortenson said he could begin work in April.**

On March 18th, the City of Young America council and staff were present at Carver's meeting to listen and/or answer any questions regarding the hiring of prospective applicant, Mornson. Mayor Rossbach of the City of Young America explained their reasons for the need of an administrator. He, also hoped that Carver would sign a joint powers agreement with the City of Young America to hire Mornson.

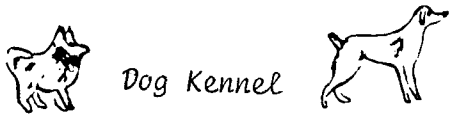
Mayor Jordan voiced his feelings for the need of an administrator with the upcoming sewer project, Lawcon projects, city ordinances, water comprehensive plan and other projects, as he and the clerk were unable to run or keep up any longer or without taking on much more work.

Councilman Wendland inquired about to whom would the administrator report. Who would be responsible for administration of policy. Mayor Jordan wished to have inserted into the contract of the joint powers agreement that the administrator would be accountable and to report to the Mayors. The City Administrator would administer the policies set by the council.



There was discussion on the rough draft joint powers agreement contract that was presented by Fahey, both city's attorney. The contract dates would be April 1st, 1985 through December 1, 1985. A job description was to be included in the contract.

Expense allocation and ledgering expenses were discussed. The mayors wanted the tentative new agreement to state that the two city's would be the fiscal agents agents with a trade-off system of handling these funds.



Dog Kennel

Mr & Mrs Dale Luedloff requested a kennel license on March 4th as she raises show dogs and teaches dog obedience. The kennel would be utilized by only their dogs. Luedloff's presented the council with a signed statement from neighbors that the dogs were not a problem. They proposed to have the animals debarked to reduce the possibility of noise. They stated that they were informed of a complaint about the dogs. However, it was unclear exactly what and where the complaint originated from. As they were told that the animal warden was acting upon a complaint from the council or the mayor. None of the council were aware of any complaint. The ordinance, it was felt, was too strict, as well as outdated, by the Luedloff's. Meyers did not feel he was familiar enough with the issue to take action. He did feel, however, that they could be issued a temporary deviation to allow the Luedloff's to keep the dogs until the complaint could be identified and/or the ordinance regarding kennels be changed. Motion was made to grant a temporary kennel license valid until May 1st, 1985.



### Fire Truck Restoration

Al Reed and Wayne Riesgraf were present at the March 4th meeting, representing the Fire Department to discuss the old GMC Fire Truck. Reed questioned the council's involvement in the issue. Reed informed the city council that the topic of restoration had been put to a vote three times on three different occasions and it was decided to leave the old truck in its original state with the exception of repairing the seat and maintenance items. Councilman Meyers explained the intent of his interest as Mayor Jordan had showed him the vehicle and there was a misunderstanding about funds for such a project. He further explained that the councils' intent was to help not dictate. Reed requested a motion be made that council would leave the care of the vehicle to the firemen. Many compliments had been received at various parades and fire rally about its originality. The original equipment is still a part of the vehicle and there are not very many vehicles that are original any longer. Many firemen are proud of it.

Motion was made to leave the old truck as is, to maintain and assure maintenance is kept up, as well as a motion made to send another letter to the Fire Department explaining the councils' true intent and interest in the old GMC fire truck made by Councilman Meyers, seconded by Lowe.



There was further discussion regarding the old fire truck and the city's assuring its remaining a city asset by signing the deed over to the Fire Relief Association. Riesgraf stated that another thing to be considered was that if the old truck were to be restored, there would be a value put on the vehicle. Further control could thereby possibly be lost if that were to occur. One alternative to ensure its remaining in the city were if the Relief Association held its title. There was serious discussion about the pros and cons of such an action. The mayor called for a motion to transfer the title to the Relief Association. Councilman Lowe made the motion with Councilman Swanson seconding it and the motion carried with all ayes.

Fahey, city attorney, expressed his opinion that even though the title were to be transferred, that the Relief Association is still a branch of the city. Therefore, future council members could possibly still sell the old GMC fire truck. However, it might be more difficult.

### Fire Department Budget

Fire Chief Ron Riesgraf discussed the Fire Departments' expenses with the council on March 18th.

There was also a brief discussion about insulating the Fire Hall. The mayor asked Riesgraf about bids for insulation of the Fire Hall.

Riesgraf also responded to the question of when the new truck would be arriving which he said should arrive in April.

### Preliminary Project

#### Schedule

John Stewart, sewer engineer, submitted proposed preliminary project schedule on March 4th. The schedule required revisions because of law changes with holding ponds. He was requiring direction to put together water distribution specifications. Plans required revision by mid-March for water and sewer of the core city. If water was not to be installed, then it should be deleted from the proposed schedule plan and bids not awarded.

Proposed schedule plan was presented with new construction start date to be September, 1985. Both projects required being bid together so that they coincided with proposed schedule and should be decided by mid-March. Specification-revisions needed to be done.

Councilmen Meyers and Wendland were not convinced of prospective salaries to be paid for water work nor that water was necessary, especially without knowing whether or not the water grant would be awarded. Mayor Jordan argued that in the long run, there was the possibility of spending more money. Councilman Meyers expressed dislike about the time restrictions or possibility of spending approximately \$ 20,000 for something that may not be utilized. Mayor Jordan stated that the issue has been before the council since last June. Stewart stated the need for approval of engineering, in order to receive bids at this years prices. Councilman Meyers did not feel that there was any need for water nor could the city afford it. Mayor Jordan reinstated that on February 16th, there was an unanimous vote to construct water and sewer in all areas of the city. Mayor Jordan further debated the issue with factors not affording fire protection, or water contamination. Also that insurance premiums would not be re-

duced without water installed within the city. The issue at hand was, if the council was to put the package together and pay Stewart in excess of \$ 20,000 for water specifications.

Question was asked if plans were drawn, could they be used in the future. Answer was with revisions and with cost adjustments associated with the project.

Mayor Jordan stated that he wanted contracts itemized as much as possible so that many jobs could be awarded to local contractors. Stewart did not feel that was feasible but would be considered.

Councilman Meyers inquired about the need for General Contractors and engineers for supervising. The Elimination of the General Contractor and keeping work with the local contractors was not felt by Stewart that local contractors were qualified to build lagoons, in as much as engineering technicalities and the like.

A decision needed to be made on the bid package. If the city spends \$ 20,000 on engineering for the bid package of water and does not receive funding, the \$ 20,000 would then be lost, or if the bid package was to be delayed and the city could be looking at construction costs of approximately \$100,000. A third alternative would be, not to spend the \$ 20,000 and not put the water in. Stewart is to ask the PCA whether or not, water and sewer contracts can be bid separately as the water will not be installed if the grant is not received.

On March 18th, Councilman Meyers related his findings from PCA representative Ms. Libby Henderson who he stated recommended contracting separately for construction of the lagoons and sewer lines. Stewart, sewer engineer stated that he'd spoke with her after Councilmen Meyers and Wendland and at that time she said that she would have to check with the grant department before making any recommendations.

A public hearing was set for March 18th at the county on lagoons and to discuss the conditional use permit.

### Lenzen Addition Residents

At the March 18th meeting, some residents from the Lenzen Additions were present to inquire about road and sewer status. The mayor explained proposed schedule plans, once again stating that areas to be sewer ed was unknown. However, resolution passed was for the entire city and the Comprehensive Plan regarding sewer clause for the entire city. He further stated that to deviate from the Comprehensive Plan would require petitioning the Metropolitan Council. A decision would have to be made at the end of May or in June, he stated. However Councilman Meyers pointed out that a map in the Comprehensive Plan showed sewer only in the core city with out properties later connecting in expansion. Mr. Lenzen stated that the Comprehensive Plan was not chiseled into stone and can be varied. The mayor did not wish to get into a debate over the issue of sewer.

### Road

A citizen inquired about the road being tarred in the Lenzen Addition. Mr. Lenzen stated that he was waiting until it was known if sewer would be installed or not. He would begin preparation for blacktopping. After dedication, the city would be responsible for maintenance.



## Sewer

Mr Lenzen asked whether or not sewer would definitely be installed in the Lenzen and Skyview Additions. The mayor read the resolutions regarding sewer and water. Discussion was held whether or not a four-fifths vote was actually received. There was discrepancy of resolutions for ordering engineering or the ordering of the project. There appears to be two resolutions reading two different things.

The mayor was asked, why if the order of the project was done in February, then, why was there a need for a second resolution in April. His response was "in February the project was ordered and in April payment was ordered." Councilman Meyers stated that resolution was a catch-22 situation.

Lenzen inquired whether or not sewer in Skyview and Lenzen subdivisions were to better the city or engineers suggestion. Mr. Lenzen felt it was unnecessary to sewer the subdivisions, but with funding, it was a good idea to sewer the core city. A citizen inquired if any of the wells in the Lenzen Additions were tested. Lenzen stated that all wells were tested before loans

were received and that he had not ever had a bad water test in Carver. Citizen felt that wells should be tested before decision of whether or not to sewer. There was a lengthy discussion about sewer installation in both subdivisions.

## Water Grant Award

Question was asked at the March 4th meeting, regarding the realistic chances of receiving the grant. The mayor responded that this could not be answered. However, there was positive feedback, as well as Knudson, HRA Executive Director, was more excited in the end than he had been in the beginning. There were thirty applicants competing, it was said. Differences of opinion of how many would actually receive award was briefly discussed. It was concluded that statistically, there was a one-third chance. The council would discuss the matter further. Mayor Jordan felt the chances were good, but would also probably require lobbying on the city's part, as well as others.

## Planning Commission Members

Ms. Lola Anderson and Mr. Mike Orvick are invited to the council meeting to be sworn in as new Planning Commission members. On March 18th, Mayor Jordan swore in the two members.

## Subdivision

Mr. Dave Nieschie came before the council on March 4th regarding his wanting to divide his acreage in half. The mayor stated that the Planning Commission had recommended he subdivide, instead. Mr. Nieschie requested a public hearing to rezone the property from agricultural to residential.



## Data Privacy Act

Letter was received from Ricki Y. Schultz, representing The "Gazette" requesting the statutes referred to, to deny the minutes and the topic was discussed at the March 4th meeting. Mayor Jordan quoted sections of statutes # 15.1611 to 15.16999, as well as the minutes from December 1, 1980 meeting where the former administrator requested the adoption of the resolution pertaining to the Data Privacy Act be made. Explanation was given by Fahey, city attorney regarding the reasoning for that adoption.

Fahey stated there is a presumption that all government information is public unless specific reasons classify data as 'private'. Mayor Jordan questioned the clause about information used to generate income. Fahey stated that such could make a difference. "Gazette" representative responded that use of information was not for the purpose of generating an income nor profit but to inform the public of what was happening in their city.

## Ess Property

There was discussion at the March 4th meeting, regarding the dumping on the Ess property and the council's alternatives of recourse. The city attorney is to speak with the property owners' attorney to request clean-up. Mayor Jordan stated that the letter writing was over since previous recommendations and actions were not carried through.

## Liquor License

The Riverside Bar and Cafe submitted a liquor license application on March 4th to the council.

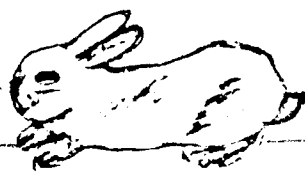
## Permits

There was discussion on March 4th about the well digging ordinance. Suggestions were made to either enforce the ordinance, change or delete the outdated rule. The council is to review the subject at their next meeting.

The state licenses well drillers. No license is required from the city, therefore. The mayor suggested removing the ordinance from the books.

## Trivia Questions

1. What early rocker appeared in the film version of "Bye Bye Birdie"?
2. Which Beatle admitted "We can't sing. We can't do anything. We're just having a good time!"
3. Who penned a guide for duffers titled "Golf My Way"?
4. Whose last big hit was 1963's "Forget Him"?
5. What district was dubbed "Hashbury"?
6. Who did Edward R. Murrow mean in noting: "He didn't create this situation of fear, he merely exploited it and rather successfully"?
7. What member iron did the first lunar golfer use?
8. Who was the shortest of the original Mercury astronauts?



## LAWCON

Stewart presented the council with the map of proposed boat launch and RV park section on March 18th. It was stated that nothing official had been done about elimination of the RV park, as suggested last winter. The Ballroom parking area was discussed. Stewart would like to set a date for letting bids at the April 1st meeting. Plans and specifications were left with the council for their review. He also left cost summary for park project. It was suggested that some work could be done by local business.

## Water

District Engineer, Dave Engstrom was to be invited to the council to discuss groundwater and other related water topics, specifically regarding several questions that the councilmen have.

## Computer

The council gave the okay on March 18th for Dial-a-Computer to conduct a presentation about matching the City of Carver with a computer.

## Tape Recorder

The council discussed the purchase of a tape recorder to tape the meetings at the March 18th meeting. Councilman Meyers felt that a good reel to reel would be substantial. The recorder, itself would be the minimal of costs that microphones, amplifiers, etc. would be the major extra costs involved. He will investigate the issue further.

## Earth Day - Arbor Day

Councilman Wendland inquired about having a similar clean-up day as was held last year. The mayor stated that only the Girl Scouts participated last year. Mornson was to contact government officials about clean-up.

## MISCELLANEOUS:

### New Distribution Locations

Carver Cafe  
Fire Department

### Old Distribution Locations

Riverside Cafe  
Monique's Botique  
Post Office

The local Dairy Store has closed. It is certainly a grave loss to all of us.

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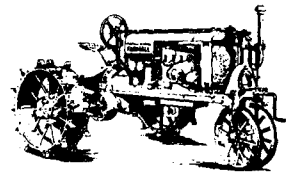
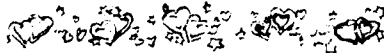
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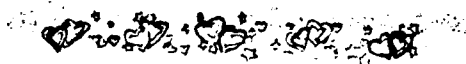
## Answers:

1. Bobby Rydell
2. Paul McCartney
3. Jack Nicklaus
4. Bobby Rydell's
5. Haight-Ashbury
6. Joseph McCarthy
7. Six
8. Virgil Grissom

Answers:



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 Wishes y'all  
 Happy Easter



## Meetings And Events

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|------|---|---------|
| 3/27 | Planning Commission                     | 7:30 PM |
| 3/28 | Committee Meeting                       | 7:00 PM |
| 4/1  | Council Meeting                         | 6:30 PM |
| 4/7  | Easter Sunday                           |         |
| 4/15 | Council Meeting                         | 6:30 PM |
| 4/18 | District # 112<br>Kindergarden Round-Up |         |
| 4/22 | Through 4/26<br>Secretary's Week        |         |
| 4/23 | Equalization Meeting                    | 7:00 PM |
| 4/24 | Planning Commission                     | 7:30 PM |

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