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## Bloodmobile

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile would like to extend their thanks to the 182 blood donors who gave on November 22nd. Also thank you to the volunteers. Since it was an inconvenient date, it was appreciated even more. You may contact May Jacobson at 448-3104 to register for the spring draw.

## City Council News:

### Youth Development Task Force

On November 6th Fr Rowan, St Nicholas Catholic Church presented the city with a plaque for support and promotion of the Youth Development Task Force. He also requested a meeting to implement the Task Force. Administrator is to be contacted to schedule such a meeting.



### Fourth Street

Citizen requested gravel be placed on Fourth Street since at this time it is mud. A sign discouraging thoroughfare in winter was suggested. Graveling was a staff decision. Funds possibly would be required from Streets Major funds since Streets Minor funds were almost depleted.

## Ordinances

Motion was made and carried approving resolution to transfer remaining '89 budgeted amount for recodification of ordinances into a special carry over fund to complete the project. Question was asked about when recodification would occur. Administrator responded that this would begin in December or January. It was said that the council needed to start reviewing ordinances.

## Highway #212



Motion passed approving the conditional preliminary layout for the improvement of part of Highway # 212 within the corporate limits of the City of Carver. Request to send the resolution to the state was made. Mayor commented that resolution should be sent to the county board, county engineer and state officials. Motion was made and carried to officially notify Carver County and Minnesota Department of Transportation.

## Kennel License



Citizen applied for kennel license on November 6th. Administrator explained that the ordinance requires neighbor's agreement. The city's attorney suggested revision consideration. Another citizen expressed opinion that property was being improperly used since it was residential and should not be used as a farm for large animals and should not be permitted in city limits. Motion was made tabling the issue in order to review.



City attorney recommended on December 4th that the kennel license ordinance be revised. An objection to the ordinance requiring neighbor's written approval to grant license was discussed. It was said that recodification process would be lengthy for review. The topic will be discussed again at the January meeting.

## Developer's

### Escrow Agreement

Al Stephani on November 6th discussed the Developer's Escrow Agreement on Country View Heights Preliminary Plat. Administrator explained agreement. Question was asked who would monitor this agreement. The city would be in charge with the help of the engineer. Motion was made approving the agreement. Administrator requested the council to set the amount to be deposited with the city. The amount decided was \$ 10,000.

## Fire Truck Bids



Bids were opened for fire truck purchase on November 6th. Two bids were received. Ehlers and Associates was researching financing. Motion was made tabling decision on acceptance of bids to allow staff to review the bids and obtain financing options.

Riesgraf told the council that the pumper needs repairs. Chaska requested to be on standby.

A special meeting was held on November 13th regarding truck bids. Riesgraf made comparisons concerning specifications. Topics covered included lowest responsible bidder; skill; integrity; past experience; reputation; conformity; and council's ability to reject all bids and rebid. Whether rebidding is necessary and/or appropriate, and time lapse were all discussed. Fire Truck Committee was asked to submit a written report on bid comparison and a financial recommendation.

Drude discussed truck financing. Equipment Certificate could be issued which would count against the city's debit and have a five year limit of issuance. Her comment was an annual payment would be too great for the city. A second alternative involved the manufacturer financing the truck. Third option involved an installment purchase or lease purchasing.

Drude's recommendation was installment purchase agreement since interest rate would be better. Council questioned if this option was available.

Motion was made tabling awarding of purchase bid for truck until January, in order for the Administrator and Fire Chief to submit financing proposal.

On December 4th, Riesgraf discussed Fire Truck Specifications. Letter was submitted regarding one bidder unable to meet specifications. Down payment was not necessary until the truck was completed. Motion was made awarding bid for truck to Clarey's Safety Equipment in the amount of \$ 179,218.54 and tabling financing method until January meeting.



# Municipal Utilities

Motion was made and carried approving resolution rescinding deferment of water and sewer hook up to a building on Broadway.

Citizens discussed sewer odor problem. Dauwalter checked situation, verifying existing odor. Installation of a temporary blower was suggested. This would be an experiment. City engineer suggested a trap. Motion was made and carried authorizing Dauwalter to put in an elbow on tank.

Representative from North Star Risk Insurance visited regarding city procedures. He suggested flushing records be kept on file. Dauwalter would supply these records. However, motion was made requiring submittal of records.

All Mt Hope residents except one have been hooked up to the municipal water system. An agreement regarding not having to hook-up was discussed. Records were reviewed. Motion was made to forward a letter requiring hook-up.

Frey consulted a well company regarding purchase of submersible pump and pipe. Council consensus was to sell material.

Property to be purchased from Hartung's at the pond site does not have an abstract. Fahey may possibly have possession, but has not responded to inquiries. Administrator inquired about cost sharing should a new abstract need to be acquired.

Administrator reviewed letter from United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) advising Treatment Works Grant has been completed.

Complaint was received regarding the condition of a sidewalk on Third Street. It was stated that the sidewalk was not replaced as it was before the sewer/water project began. This particular sidewalk was replaced at council's request several years prior. Replacement at present would be at the city's expense the council was told. Motion was made to table the issue. A bid was to be obtained from Swanson for work.

Court date has been set on the Kingsbury/Kelly Property acquisition for November 21st. This concerns the cost of the land being purchased by the city where the treatment pond is located.

Sewer odors were discussed at the December 4th meeting, as well as experimental testing. Filters, it was concluded, were not the solution.

Council was updated on court proceedings regarding condemnation settlement at the pond site. An agreement on an amount had been reached and also included two to four more acres for the city, if the city were to provide a survey of land. Administrator requested that Hartung property be surveyed at the same time, in order that an abstract can be made, so that purchase can be completed. Mayor questioned if property was still wanted with price increase of survey and abstract costs. Dauwalter remarked that additional land would be useful for sludge processing since cleaning of the ponds will be necessary in the future. Suggestion was made to share costs with Hartungs. Motion was made and carried to table issue until January when a quote might be available for cost of an abstract.

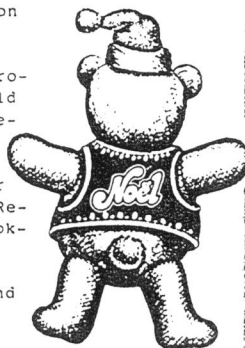
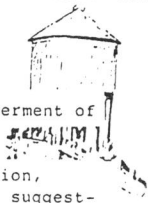
Letter from Maier Stewart was read to the council regarding unpaid invoices towards projects. Unpaid balances are being forwarded to attorney for collection. Motion was made to forward letter to Stewart stating the city's position.

Council was told that reviewal of municipal utilities rates per ordinance will be necessary. Figures for consideration will be presented in the near future.

N.S.P.



City requested information from Northern States Power Company on November 6th pertaining to reasons for frequent power outages.



## Disclaimer

The preliminary unapproved minutes from the City of Carver's council meetings were referenced to compose the Village Tower.

## Street Repairs



Work on Mt Hope Road was delayed due to possible need for a retaining pond at the water tower. Work to resume shortly.

Frey installed a field road on Fourth Street. Frey did most of work with material on hand, therefore expense to the city should be minimal.

Request for "Stop" sign at Sixth and Lime Streets was discussed. Opposition was discussed due to winter hazards. Staff was directed to respond to request.

Sixth Street improvements were discussed on November 13th. Street alignment differs between platted street and actual construction of street. City has prescriptive right-of-way. Replatting of the lower section of street would be appropriate. Engineer stated improvement would be to the best interest of the city. Suggestion was made to utilize Tax Increment Funds for improvement.

On December 4th, council was advised that work on Mt Hope Road had been delayed due to the possibility of needing holding ponds by the water tower. Also, it was too late in the season to begin work.

## Feasibility Study



Administrator reviewed cost estimates of preparing feasibility studies on Sixth Street and the A & M Development prepared by the city engineer on November 6th. Administrator recommended funding for Sixth Street study be used from Tax Increment District Funds. Motion was made to use these funds for Sixth Street feasibility study.

Motion was made authorizing feasibility study being completed on Country View Heights with developer responsible for all costs. Any remaining funds in escrow account to be used also towards study.

Country View Heights proposed preliminary plat and feasibility study were discussed further on November 13th with engineer. This study includes preliminary drainage plans, control structure berms, grading plans, utility extensions, right-of-way requirements, curb, gutter, road ordinance compliance and the like.

Means of payment for development improvements were discussed. Ehlers suggested obtaining assurance from developers for payment of deferred assessments, performance bond and/or letter of credit.

Drude also reviewed prospective improvements to Sixth Street and Country View Heights financing options



## Street Vacation Request



Street vacation request was discussed on December 4th. Jorgenson Street was the street discussed. Planning Commission recommended denial. It was discussed that this street should not be vacated without also vacating other area streets. Street vacations should be city developed and planned, it was stated. Motion was made but denied to vacate portion of the said street.

## Tentative Agenda

Submitted by the City of Carver

January 2, 1990  
Tuesday Evening - 6:30 PM

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve Agenda
- 3) Resolution to Organization
- 4) Consent Agenda
- 5) Advisory Board's Appointments
- 6) Public Hearing - Flood Plain Ordinance
- 7) Public Hearing - Kennel Regulations Ordinance
- 8) Fire Truck Financing
- 9) Public Works Report
- 10) Municipal Utilities Report
- 11) Property Acquisition
- 12) Refuge Collection Agreement
- 13) Chad Peterson
- 14) Township Fire Rates - 1991
- 15) City Administrator's Report
- 16) Other Business
- 17) Adjourn

## 1990 Budget

Administrator discussed the 1990 budget recertification on November 6th. Changes were necessary to the approved budget due to changes in State Local Government Aid to be received in '90. Options included: 1) adding the amount of reduction in LGA to the levy; 2) cut the budget by this amount; or 3) some of both. Motion was made to discuss recertification at special meeting on the thirteenth and schedule a public hearing.

On November 13th, Administrator updated the council on the necessity to recertify the levy since the 1990 Local Government Aid amount had been decreased.

On December 4th, Administrator explained the deficit was caused by change in local government aid from the state. The council needs to balance the budget by cutting expenditures or increasing revenues. Motion was made leaving the budget as adopted. Motion was then made adopting resolution transferring General Reserve Funds to cover budget deficit. Roll call vote was taken.

## City Administrator



Council discussed Administrator's employment agreement on November 6th. It was stated that the job description describes what she is doing, not what will be done. It was said agreement contained items which should be in an employee policy not an agreement. A sample policy for Administrator and attorney were presented for review.

Administrator's job description and employment agreement were discussed on December 4th. Question was posed concerning seeking aid from the League of Mn Cities. Administrator was directed to contact adjoining cities regarding forming a committee format to discuss and develop personnel policies. A committee of Hanson, Thuening and Administrator are to draft job description. This group is to present this draft for recommendation of adopting.

## CARVER VILLAGE HALL

## Office Remodeling

On December 4th, Riesgraf discussed office remodeling project concerning law requiring electrical firm alarm. Alarms have been installed.

Riesgraf was asked to determine maximum capacity for both floors of the hall.

Administrator reported that the project was progressing with possibility of office move in January. She would like to coordinate the move with Lions and hold an Open House. Suggestions submitted included having grand opening in spring after landscaping completion or hold in conjunction with Town Meeting.

## 6th Street Bridge Replacement

Council was told on December fourth by engineer that replacement of the bridge on Sixth Street was necessary. Minnesota Department of Transportation have available funds through Carver County which would pay 100 % of replacement costs. However, this may not include engineering services costs. Bridge needs widening. Citizen commented that the bridge may be on the list of historic structures.

## Eagle Scout Badge

On December 4th, the council was told that Chad Peterson who planned the playground equipment for the Lion's Park had earned his Eagle Scout Badge for the project. Suggestion was presented that a letter signed by the council for his work on the project be presented to Chad when the Lions honor him. Council agreed and directed that a resolution be drafted making January 3rd Chad Peterson Day in the City of Carver as recognition of Chad's work and achievement.

## Carver



## Fire Department Highlights

Submitted by the Carver Fire Department

### December

- December 21st - First Day of Winter
- December 23rd - Hanukkah
- December 24th - Christmas Eve
- December 25th - Christmas Day
- December 26th - Annual Firemen's Meeting Election of Officers
- December 31st - New Year's Eve

### January

- January 1st - New Year's Day
- January 4th - Drill Night 6:30 PM
- January 15th - Martin Luther King Day
- January 15th - Drill Night 6:30 PM
- January 25th - Meeting Night 8:00 PM
- January 28th - SuperBowl Party Village Hall



## Miscellaneous

Mayor presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Ralph Hanson on November 6th for his years of service as a councilmember.

Council discussed liquor license transfer from Cy (Chips) Leiverman, Chip's Tavern to Stephen Regan. Motion was made approving license transfer.

Resolution was approved regarding "Cities Fight Back Against Drugs Week".

Council was asked to reconsider decision regarding Jordan Minor Subdivision. Action had already been taken. Administrator asked for information and tie sheet for water/sewer stubs. Issue was discussed further. Motion was made tabling topic. Clarification should be given regarding request. Decision to table was due to inability to meet with Minor Subdivision requirements for having access or frontage on public road.

On November 13th, meeting was closed to discuss minor subdivision request. On December 4th, letter was reviewed regarding subdivision proposed for the city attorney.

Clean up of property on Fourth Street was discussed on November 6th. Property has been cleaned up, but small safety issues were not addressed. Notification was to be forwarded. Motion was made to begin by court proceedings to have property cleaned and safe.

On December 4th, issued was addressed again. Letter directing that property be made safe had not been sent and was directed that it be sent.

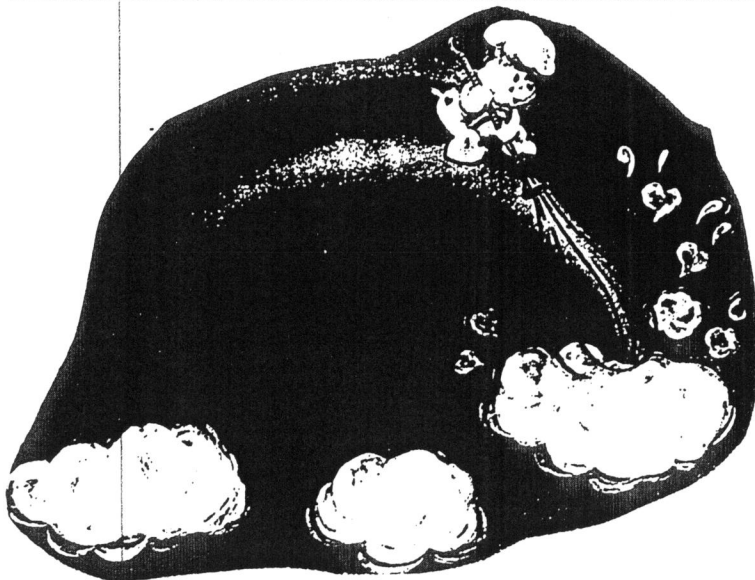
On November 6th, a copy of a model Flood Plain Ordinance was given to the council. Building inspector recommended adoption. Motion was made to schedule a public hearing.

On November 13th councilmember requested meeting with Administrator regarding Employment Agreement, scaled drawing submitted for permits and soils and erosion ordinance.

On December 4th motion was made approving resolution closing the Lawcon Grant. Roll call vote was taken.

Cigarette and sanitation license fees were discussed. Administrator commented that comparison survey should be done for 1990. Motion was made setting cigarette license fees for \$ 30 in 1990. Motion was made not to increase sanitation fees.

Council considered Citizen Advisory Committee appointments. It was stated that staff was to advertise for volunteers to serve on committees. Notice to be posted.



Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year

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Holiday ♥ Spirit ♥ ----- Have ♥ a ♥ very ♥ merry ♥ merry ♥ Christmas ♥♥♥♥