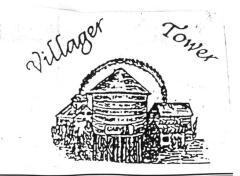
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#### Nistoric Public Works Sarage

Concern was expressed by contractor working on historic public works garage regarding condition of deteriorating wall. Wall could possibly collapse while roof work was being completed. Request was submitted for additional money to reinforce walls. Motion was made and carried authorizing additional money necessary to reinforce the walls.

#### Carver Creek

Carver Creek preliminary plat, Environmental Assessment Worksheet responses were discussed. City would have to develop a policy regarding storm water pond maintenance. Conclusion was determined than an Environmental Impact Statement was not necessary.



Carver welcomes a New Business!

## Ininois farmers Insurance

Illinois Farmers Insurance is located at 213 South Broadway in Carver. Bruce Olson is the agent and his assistant is Debbie. They handle almost every aspect of insurance needs. Having opened for business on January 5th, we welcome them to Carver. The office will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Stp in and say hello, or give them a call at 448-9768.

#### Levee Improvement Project

Administrator explained resolution stating that the council would act as lega I sponsor for the Levee Improvement Project. Motion was made and carried by roll call vote adopting resolution to sp onsor the Levee Improvement Project. Phase I activities were discussed. Work is necessary on river side of the dike before spring flooding occurs. Engineers expressed concern regarding area under trestle which presented a threat to the le vee. Engineers have presented design to the Corps of Engineers for approval. Motion was made and carried to issue funds for emergency work on levee. Plans and preparations necessary for levee work was explained. Administrator submitted grant proposal and budgeted money in proposal for engineers.

Public Hearing was held for Levee Improvement Project. Engineer outlined scope of project, as well as estimated engineering costs for the project. Engineer was authorized to continue design project for levee.

Carver has been awarded a grant from the DNR and U.S. Corps of Engineers for levee improvements. An underseepage analysis will be conducted along with improvements to levee. Motion was made and carried authorizing underseepage analysis. Motion was made and carried authorizing preparation of plans and specifications for levee improvement project.

#### Disclaimer

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

#### Municipal Atilities

Utilities operator recommended increases for utilities connection rates. He also proposed increases in rates. Motions were made and carried approving connection fee increases and user fee increases.

Townline Road waste water interceptor feasibility study was discussed. Developer is to pay sureties for this study. Motion was made and carried authorizing feasibility study upon receipt of funds from the developer.

Council reviewed MPCA's response to waste water treatment plant expansion. Discussion pursued. Concern was expressed regarding water quality, storm drainage, and other related items prior to approving any further developments. Staff was instructed to research inquiries presented.

Motion was made and carried by roll call vote adopting resolution granting Conditional Use Permit for land restoration.

MPCA has been reviewing plans and specifications. The MPCA released project list for loan funds. Carver was not included. The next available date for Carver would not be until September, 1999. Council reviewed revised cash flow chart and alternate market rate financing. Financing treatment plant expansion was discussed. Inquiry was presented regarding Public Hearing if city purchased bonds. Public Hearing is not required. Motion was made and carried accepting plans and specifications for waste water treatment plant expansion. Motion was made and carried authorizing going out for bids for plant expansion.

#### City Goals

City Council reviewed goals which have been scheduled in the past. Many of these past goals have been realized. Additional goals were requested to be submitted for the future. One council member expressed opinion that the Fire Station be transferred to the Public Works Garage and a new facility be constructed since some of the Fire Department equipment is being stored outside. This goal was to be included in the Goal Schedule.

#### 1998 Budget

Public Hearing was held for 1998
Proposed Budget. Resident inquired about increases. Administrator explained reasons for increases.
Capital items had not been budgeted for in the past and council had committed to budgeting for capital.
Budget items were discussed.

#### Miscellaneous

Motion was made and carried by roll call vote adopting resolution setting operations budget and 1998 levy.

City of Carver will post notice seeking quotes for community hall cleaning services. City will also post notification advertising for part-time assistance in the office.

Utilities operator drafted and forwarded letter regarding private sidewalks for snow removal. Public Hearing was scheduled for ordinance review clarifying penalties for ordinance violations.

Council reviewed and discussed transportation/traffic usage of roads and streets for the purpose of updating Comprehensive Plan and need to update streets.

Fees Resolutions were reviewed by the council. Shooting limits areas were discussed. It was considered whether or not hunting within city limits should be eliminated since growth is limiting areas anyway. Public Hearing was scheduled for May on the Shooting Ordinance.

Council was informed that tobacco products licensing will be handled by the county in the future.

Other fees including Animal Ordinance, snow removal, and Heritage Preservation Commission violations were discussed and they should be reviewed. Increases in fines by step fines were talked about. Motion was made and carried to schedule Public Hearing to change Heritage Preservation Commission penalties.

Council discussed the purchase of a new one-ton truck for the city.

Motion was made and carried by roll call vote authorizing participation in the Metropolitan Council Board on Government Innovation and Cooperation grant project for collaboration planning between school districts and municipalities.

#### Fire Department

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There were 95 Emergency calls for the Carver area during 1997, which is down from 1996 when there were 100 calls.

No report this month.

#### Tentative Agenda

City Council Chambers

Monday, February 2, 1998 at 6:30 p.m.

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve Agenda
- 3) Petitions from Residents
- 4) Consent Agenda
- 5) Public Works Report
- 6) Municipal Utilities Report
- Engineers Report
- 8) Administrator Report
- 9) Other Business
- 10) Adjourn

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS & COMMUNITY CALENDAR FEBRUARY, 1998

Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. 2nd (see agenda at above) 4th Lions Meeting 5th Drill Night, 6:30 p.m. Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting Park & Recreation Board Mtg 9th Winterfest Coronation 13th Winterfest Dance 14th Happy Valentine's Day!!! Happy Birthday Kim! 15th Happy Birthday Katie! Black Sox SheepHead Tournament 16th Presidents Day Drill Night, 6:30 p.m. 17th Planning Commission Meeting 18th Happy Birthday Merva! Lions Meeting 19th Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:30 - 8:00 p.m. 22nd Happy Birthday Sandra! Second Alarm Chili Feed Parent-Teacher Conferences 23rd 4:30 - 8:00 p.m.

#### Condolences

Ash Wednesday

Meeting Night, 8:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday Daddy!

25th

26th

27th

Our condolences from the "Villager Tower" to Ruth Melchior and her family. Ruth's father, Don Thon of Brainerd, recently passed away.

#### Carver Lions

The Carver Lions donated fruit baskets and distributed these baskets for the holidays. Food and gift certificates were donated to a family in need of some helping hands.

Reminder that the Lions will be helping the Park and Recreation with the Bullhead Feed. Posters are posted throughout the Carver area.

Lion members are always needed. Anyone interested in joining can contact City Hall for information. Two new members have recently joined the Carver Lions.

Carver Lions Christmas Party was its usual success and fun was had by all.

### Pancake Breakfast

There will be a Lions Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 19th, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Mark your calendars!!!

#### Second Alarm Chili Feed

Second Alarm Chili Feed will be serving from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 22nd. Advance tickets can be purchased at Swanson Insurance office in Carver, Lenzen dealership in Chaska, or from Tom Larson and/or any Carver Lions member for \$4.00 each. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$5.00 each. The Chili Feed is its third annual benefit, with all proceeds going to "Operation Smile."

Watch for upcoming meeting notices for spring baseball/softball activities! Interested in participating??? You can, in a variety of ways. Contact City Hall, 448-5353 for information. Spring is closer than we realize. What a delightful thought! Think spring, help kids, play ball......

Black Sor

Black Sox SheepHead Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, February 15th at the Village Hall, starting at 1:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Players will also be playing a card game called "Skat" --(Tidbit of history: "Skat was a card game played back in the early 1900's passed down through the generations of our forefathers. As early as possibly 1916 big tournaments were held in Minnesota with as many players as one thousand to fifteen hundred card players. Initially an entry fee was a quarter, increasing to seventy-five cents and an inflated 1998 entry fee of \$6.00.") And where else but Carver would you get

an interesting history lesson like this???

Black Sox are also working on a fundraiser for March. With all their time and efforts having gone toward the community fields, they now need our help in rebuilding their infrastructure. Mark your calendars for a Ham/Turkey Bingo on March 15th.

Further down the road...mark your calendars for the Black Sox 50th Baseball Reunion to be held on May 30th and 31st. Anyone interested can contact Paul Reimer, 448-3422. There will be a Social Hour/Meal/Program and dance on Saturday. Sunday's activities will feature an old-timers game, followed by a picnic and then the regular season game against Jordan.

For anyone interested: the Black Sox are also playing "Euchre" every Tuesday evening (7:30 p.m.) at the Village Hall. Entry fee is \$5.00.

Sound like fun? Remember to mark your calendars in advance for these important events and be sure to support the Black Sox. They also worked hard to give to the community with the community fields. This is why the community of Carver has the label of being "unique". It is!!!!!!

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#### **FATHER**

4 Years:

"My Daddy can do anything."

7 Years:

"My Dad knows a lot; a whole lot."

8 Years:

"My Father doesn't know quite everything."

12 Years:

"Oh, well, naturally Father doesn't know that either."

14 Years:

"Father? Hopelessly old fashioned."

21 Years:

"Oh, that man is out of date. What did you expect?"

25 Years:

"He knows a little bit about it -- but not much."

30 Years:

"Maybe we ought to find out what Dad thinks."

35 Years:

"A little patience. Let's get Dad's assessment before we do anything."

50 Years:

"I wonder what Dad would have thought about that. He was pretty smart."

60 Years:

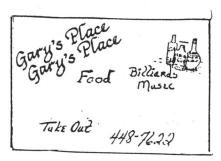
"My Dad knew absolutely everything!"

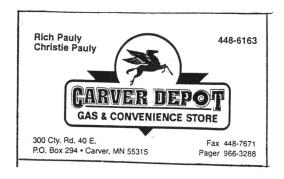
65 Years:

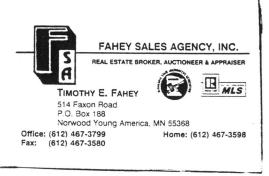
"I'd give anything if Dad were here so I could talk this over with him. I really miss that man."

-anonymous

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