

Dedicated to the Memory of Anne Dauwaller

Anne Frances Dauwaller

We have lost another Carver icon. What are the odds that you don't know a Dauwaller? Not much...when you are one of the twelve total, plus spouses and their children and their children. Somewhere you know a Dauwaller. Personally, we know quite a few, but the closest is Anne's granddaughter, Shawn who is our daughter's best friend. As I compose this, I can't help but think of Shawn's upcoming wedding, our daughter, Kim, who also is her maid-of-honor; and the third wheel of this trio, our very own Molly and how sad it is that Grandma won't be there for this event and we all will think of Anne. But as the song goes, 'Grandma is looking down through the holes of heaven and will give her blessing.'

Anne passed away June 2nd at her home. For the past fifty six years Anne has lived in Carver. Preceded in death was husband, Jerome, Sr; sons, Roger and Bertrand, brother, Leander and grandchildren, Cory and Rachel. She married Jerome Sr in 1945. Anne was a realtor for many years in Carver. Anne was quite the character. She didn't really mince words. Being from a family of seven this trait was survival. She said what was on her mind. Which is probably why she was a good sales representative for Fuller Brush and Watkins.

Anne's family has the 'Villager Tower' and our personal condolences to all whom are left behind to go on with her legacy. Our sympathy to Dave and Marietta, Jerry and Janet, Bruce and Sandy, Hooker and Wendy, Wayne and Sandy, Dennis and Cindy, Dean, Mark and Aleata, Janet and Don, Joan.

Anne will also be sadly missed by many.

*"Beginnings are usually scary
and endings are usually sad,
but it's everything in between
that makes it all worth living."*

For Sale

Theresa Hobbick has a 3 HP gas McCormick Deering engine for sale. She also has parts for a 1½ HP McCormick Deering gas engine she will sell. The best time to reach her is after 2 PM at 952) 873-6525.

Fun Run

The Diabetes Fun Run fundraiser was a huge success again. The purpose of this fundraiser is to "Send-A-Kid-To-Camp". The Silver Bullet, Lisa's Place and Harvey's all get together to promote this event. This year the "Send-a-Kid-to-Camp" Committee will be sending \$16,605.00 to the camp.

Congratulations to everyone who helped, participated and promoted this event. Thanks are also extended to everyone involved.

County Road #40/#147

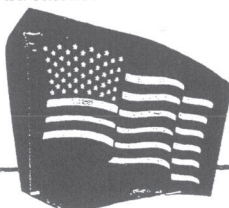
Extension

The city Engineer told the council that the county had opened bids for the County Road #40/#147 Extension project. In order to award the contract the county needed to obtain concurrence with the city in the award of the construction contract. The completion date for this project was estimated to be September 1st at the bridge area. The extension of #147 project would take longer. The city attorney recommended that the Joint Powers Agreement be approved subject to an agreement with the city and the county that the easement include the county taking long term maintenance of the Carver Creek realignment being added to the agreement. Motion was made and carried to concur with awarding the construction contract to the low bidder, WM Mueller's. Motion was made and carried approving the Joint Powers Agreement with Carver County with the stipulation that the creek maintenance be part of the agreement.

Further discussion was held pertaining to the work of amending the developer's agreement for the turn lane involving Carver Partners. Motion was made and carried authorizing the attorney to negotiate the turn lane and amend the developer's agreement with Carver Ridge.

Church By The River

The council reviewed the railing which would be installed at the church. The Administrator stated that the council would be meeting at the church site after the community leaders meet. Restoration cost allocations were asked about. Restoration was completed with grant funds, donations, fund raisers and the municipal rehabilitation load funds.



Miscellaneous

City planner informed the council that preparations are being done for technical amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. The council was told the action is necessary to initiate the amendments as to schedule a public hearing. Motion was made and carried approving technical amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

Fire Station/Public Works

Building

The city council was informed that the bid for construction of the building of the Fire Station/Public Works Building was higher than anticipated. The Building Committee was of the opinion that it was in the best interest of the city to work with the architecture firm to further examine plans and find modifications to be more in line with original estimated costs. The administrator recommended rejection of all bids received. Motion was made and carried to reject all bids for the Fire Station/Public Works Building.

The council was told that the building committee had met and some cuts had been made and it was the opinion of one council member that this would be a nice building upon completion. Documents would be reviewed at a future council meeting in order to begin the process for rebidding the project.

Community Park

The soccer field would be at the Community Park not Bluff Park the administrator informed the council. The Park and Recreation Board requested using developer's donations to build a second soccer field in the Community Park. This would then be a multi-use field. There has been repeated vandalism at Bluff Park field. Motion was made and carried approving construction to begin grading a multi-use field at the Community Park.

The council discussed a sidewalk around the community park playground and shelter. This discussion would continue at a later meeting. The council talked about sidewalk work at the play ground, shelter and dug outs. Motion was made and carried approving the work at the Community Park for sidewalks.

Water Treatment Plant

The council was told that six bids had been received for the Water Treatment Facility. The council reviewed the bid tabulations and these were explained to the council. The engineer pointed out that the connection charges may require reviewal and may also require being increased. The alternates were discussed. Motion was made and carried awarding the bid for the water treatment plant to Westra Construction for the base bid and alternates #2. It was also pointed out that Westra Construction presently is building Chaska's Water Treatment Plant.

The council discussed the cost comparisons for street widths for the access driveway to the facility since there was the possibility that in the future it may be a street. Motion was made and carried to build a 32' wide road as access/future road to the water treatment facility.

Around the Town Pet Service

"We care when you can't be there."

Providing: Dog Walking/Pet Sitting

Around-The-Town is conveniently located in Chaska and is proud to service the SW/Metro area. "Leave your pet(s) in a stress-free environment during your next trip - their home." For more information, please call (612) 865-8291 or visit our website @ www.around-the-townLLC.com

And be sure to check our Around the Town Pet Service. It's really neat and interesting. You can meet some of her clients at her web site too. In the Photo Gallery "A pet is such a special friend, a friend in many ways. The special things they often do bring a smile to our face, And so to them I dedicate this small but special place." Call Pam.

City Web Site

The City's web site is up and running. It's pretty neat too. If you can, be sure to visit, www.carver.govoffice.com.

Steam Boat Days City Wide

Garage Sale

During SteamBoat Days, there will be the 3rd Annual City-Wide Garage Sale again. Steam-Boat Days is scheduled for September 5th through the 7th. Each year the event grows more. Registration forms will be available at the Post Office, Village Hall and in the city's newsletter. To participate in City-Wide, you need to get a registration form and turn it in. There is a \$5 fee. The sales are advertised through out the metro area. More questions, contact Kathy Guenther, 952) 361-4244. The Star-Tribune also advertised the city wide sale.

"Every area of trouble gives out a ray of hope; and the one unchangeable certainty is that nothing is certain or unchangeable"

- John Fitzgerald Kennedy -

Detour County Road #40

Obviously, many of you are fully aware of the closure of County Road #40 this month of June?

The bridge is scheduled to be removed, so there is no sneaking through either. You will end up in the creek after a severe drop-off, so don't even try... You could jump it if you are the adventurous type, but that's not recommended either and some of us are too old for those types of risky feats...

Construction was scheduled to begin with road closure scheduled for June 9th. This will go on all summer long.

Marked detour route for County Road #40: motorist driving north from East Union, Jordan and Belle Plaine will be directed to follow County Road #50, west to County Road #43, north to State Highway #212 and east to Chaska. Motorists driving south from Carver and Chaska will be directed to follow State Highway #212 west to County Road #43 south to County Road #50 in East Union. These are the County's directions.

This construction work is expected to be completed by the end of August, 2003, weather permitting. This segment of the highway will then be reopened to traffic with a connection to the old portion of County Road #40 into downtown Carver. Work will then continue on the new segment of County Road #40 which will connect to County Road #147 (Town Line Road). The final segment of County Road #40 is expected to be completed by the end of October (2003). When the new segment of County Road #40 is opened to traffic, motorists from the south can follow the new alignment along the west side of Carver continuing north on County Road #147 to State Highway #212.

Municipal Utilities Report

The council talked about the man hole restoration program with the Municipal Utilities Superintendent. There is a problem with man holes and repairs need to be made. The Municipal Utilities Superintendent is researching the topic.

The Municipal Utilities Superintendent also talked with the council regarding the water demand which has increased drastically. Well #2 had been started, but the tower had gotten seriously low. It is time to be talking about a third well. The council was reminded that this process takes a couple of years.

Tentative Agenda

July 7th Monday Evening

Village Hall 6:30 PM

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve Agenda
- 3) Petitions From Residents
- 4) Consent Agenda
- 5) Public Safety
- 6) Public Works Report
- Municipal Utilities Report
- 7) City Engineer/Planner Reports
- 8) Administrative Reports
- 9) Liaison Reports
- 10) Other Business
- 11) Adjourn

Funky Minds

The Funk Bank on Broadway (next to the Village Hall) has new occupants, Anna and Rick Edlund. The purpose of Funky Mind is educating through ideas and creativity, which is also the name of the new owners. This idea should come quite naturally to Anna and Rick since they are both familiar with education environments. You are invited for a summer of fun and learning, described as a new center for education and community. Volunteers and teens are rumored to be busy planning. There is a 'wish list' in their front window (eg; watercolor paints, markers, glue, etc).

Funky Minds is sponsored in celebration of the life of Jan Hansen who was Anna's mom. Ms Hansen was a nurse at the East Union Elementary School, and described as stained glass artist, cowgirl and knew life to be art. She taught her daughter the value if the precious nature of childhood and to see with the awe the wonders of nature. May her spirit be with us as we share the delight in our summer adventures with others.

Support from churches, civic organizations and businesses is needed. Funky Minds would also appreciate being told about any funding opportunities. Events are planned for almost every day of the week and almost every Saturday. All you have to do is to call Anna or stop by and check out their calendar of events. Contact Anna at 952) 448-2932.

Welcome!

Annual Township Meeting

The Dahlgren Township Board made the decision to have the Annual Township meeting scheduled for August 11 with their regular township meeting. The purpose of the annual meeting was to set the levy for 2004.

Carver Youth

Softball/Baseball Association

Come and watch the Carver Youths play ball. Games are Monday through Thursday at the Community Park and the Lions Park.

Disclaimer

The preliminary minutes of the city council meeting are referenced to compose the "Villager Tower"

Yellow Stone Racoons

No report this month from the 4-H group.

37th Annual Softball Tournament

The Carver Fire Department's 27th Annual Softball Tournament is to be held at the Carver Community Fields. The tournament is July 11th, 12th and 13th. The Carver Fire Department also sells raffle tickets to help with equipment purchases. We invite you to come to the softball tournament to meet old friends, make new friends and watch some great softball games.

River Bluff Estates

The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing regarding River Bluff Estates (formerly Carver North) proposed by Klingelutz Development Company. Items reviewed were Comprehensive Amendment from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential; Rezoning the property for municipal utilities; Conditional Use Permit for Town homes; Preliminary Plat for Town home Lots, Outlots, Public and Private Right-Of-Way.

A detailed outline was submitted for review. Proposal is to develop forty two town homes on an approximate twenty three acre site located south and west of the intersection of Highway #212 and County Road #40. The site consists of Outlot 'A' and 'B'. Outlot 'A' is approximately fifteen acres and is the subject for the Comprehensive Plan Amendment, rezoning, Conditional Use Permit, Planned Residential District and preliminary plat approval. The only proposal for Outlot 'B' is the platting of the parcel into an outlot. There are five existing homes on Lano Lane which are not part of this development.

The city planner recommended approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the area of Outlot A to medium Density Residential with the stipulation of not allowing more than forty two town home units; approving the rezoning; and approve the Conditional Use Permit with conditions.

Approval of the Preliminary Plat for the entire parcel was recommended for approval with conditions involving approval by the city attorney of the Homeowner's Association documents including covenants and restrictions; appropriate protection measures for bluff; easement for trail; approve access right-of-way dedications; utility and trail easements across adjacent property be secured and approved; WaterShed District reviewal; addressing engineer and attorney recommendations; park dedication; developer's agreement and landscaping. Continued discussions occurred regarding additional information from previously submitted plat with adjustments and addressing of majority of issues as part of the final plat and plans. Some issues requiring further review involved retaining walls, trail along the county road and utilities. Street widths in private developments of 28' minimum were discussed. Density questions were reviewed. Appropriate motions were made reflecting approval of proposal submitted to the Planning Commission.

The council reviewed the information in relation to the River Bluff Estates development. One issue the council reviewed at length involved the lift station. This lift station was minimum size necessary, but was oversized for this development. It would be able to handle some future growth in the area. The developer was of the opinion that the city should pay for part of the lift station. The city disagreed. An oversized infrastructure for future development would be considered city responsibility.

Resident inquired about one entrance and its meeting city code. The city planner answered that it was a private road, not a public right-of-way allowing private access. Another resident asked about increased traffic during rush hour at the intersection of County Road #40 and Highway #212. It was the mayor's opinion that upon completion of County Road #147 this would solve that intersection problems of congestion.

Motion was made and carried by the council approving the resolution amending the Comprehensive Plan for River Bluff Estates development. Question was asked about a proposed trail and the Park and Recreation's opinion. The administrator was of the impression that the Park and Recreation Board was in agreement with placement of trail. The mayor was of the opinion that this plan was good for the site and for the city.

Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the resolution rezoning for the development. Motion was made and carried with all ayes amending the resolution adding that exterior elevations must conform with plans prepared by architects and approving the amended resolution approving a conditional use permit for town homes. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting resolution approving the preliminary plat (entire parcel) for town home lots, outlot and right of way for River Bluff Estates development.

Heritage Development

The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing regarding Heritage Development. Issues requiring to be addressed were rezoning from agricultural to seweraged property; PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; Conditional Use Permit for town homes, Preliminary Plat for Single-Family lots, Town home Lots, Town Home lots, outlots and Right of Way. Heritage Development proposes to develop approximately seventy nine and a quarter acres of property on the east side of County Road #147 for single and multiple family land uses. The proposal presently requested approval is for about thirty three acres on the southern portion of the entire parcel involving commercial/medium density residential coinciding with the Comprehensive Plan.

The city planner recommended that the Planning Commission table the proposal request from Heritage Development pending the Environmental Assessment WorkSheet process. Outstanding issues also required coordination with consultants and city personnel. The engineer stated that the developer has submitted various sketches and concept plans for review. Development is in preliminary stages and required paperwork has yet to be submitted.

Developer representatives reviewed their proposal responding to questions. It was noted that some changes had already been made. A slide presentation was reviewed at the Planning Commission meeting. Concerns that had been reviewed involved parking, traffic increase, street crossings, tree removal and spring/creek diversions. Some solutions suggested were changing the existing plan to a cul-de-sac; replace proposed road with walk/bike path for access to SunnyRidge Drive; coordinate with Broadway for future alternate downtown access; speed bumps; limit extension to SunnyRidge Lane.

The developer questioned the interpretation of Carver City Code. Heritage Development, which is planned, is not diverse, almost all of the proposed housing is high density town homes which would not require street parking. Therefore if the density were reduced, concerns of the community could be eliminated subsequent to the Comprehensive Plan's intent and Zoning Ordinances. The Comprehensive Plan has insufficient recreational area to respond to health and safety issues; the developer also pointed out shortcomings addressing and coping with increased demand on municipal utilities usage; pointing out water pressure adequacy in fire hydrants with increased developing; not to mention policing issues.

Citizens asked questions concerning the development. One citizen's comment: "Carver has the atmosphere of a small historic town - we need to preserve this..." The mayor's response was: "I will help the community develop, and it will be compatible with the neighborhood." Motion was made and carried by the Planning Commission members tabling the application for development of the property referred to as the Heritage Development.

Downtown Improvements

The council discussed the downtown street improvements and reviewed the bituminous overlay costs, as well as a change order. The engineer explained that they have been working with the contractors regarding the costs of the overlay. Reconstruction of Broadway from Fourth Street to Main Street was not part of the county's capital improvement plan. The project bid included patching bituminous pavement adjacent to the new curb and gutter. The county however, would be willing to split the costs 50/50 for a thin wear course overlay. Since this was not part of the original bid, cost of the overlay has been questioned with the contractor. The contractor submitted a cost. Striping of the center line would be done by the county. Parking striping would be the responsibility of the city. Council member questioned if the surface would be level if the overlay was not done. It would be level.

Question was asked about the county's schedule for overlaying of County Road #40 in downtown area. The county had stated that they did not have any plans for overlay in their five year plan. Council member questioned how long between reworks on the county road since there has not been any work since the mid 80's. The mayor stated that if the county had no plans to overlay in the near future, would the city be willing to do the work? Staff was directed to contact the county about normal schedule for overlaying and/or seal coating county roads. Another council member thought that this issue was in the original bid, but in actuality it was discussed in the feasibility report. The issue would be continued to be discussed in the future.

Variance Request

Residents requested approval of variance allowing the construction of and accessory structure on their property on Lime Street. The variance involved setbacks. The city planner recommended variances to the accessory building setback requirements be denied. The applicants would not be denied reasonable use of the property in that a home already exists on the lot. A representative from Accessibility Design spoke for the residents explaining the need for making the use more "functional" opposing requesting more livable space. Request for a carport, not a garage for protection from the elements of the weather and allowing both vehicles to be parked off of the street. Because of a recent car accident one resident has to still utilize a cane or a walker to maneuver which creates the accessibility necessary to continue being able to use the car and to maintain their independence. Question was asked if the American Disabilities Act could be applied in any way. ADA's policies do not apply to residential properties. Motion was made and carried recommending approval of the request for a variance for the construction of an accessory building.

The council was informed of the variance request recommended by the Planning Commission. The city planner explained recommendation of denial of the variances because no hardship had been proven. She also pointed out that there is a discrepancy in surveys of two properties.

The mayor pointed out that the resident has limited walking capabilities and requested a carport to help make things easier. The building inspector pointed out that the neighbor does not have a problem with the project. The neighbor's concern is with the property line issue. One council member inquired whether or not the variance should be approved if the criteria was not met. Another council member questioned if it was not the government's job to help make residents lives easier. Motion was made and carried with three ayes and one nay tabling the issue until the property line and building code issues were resolved.

Carver Creek Addition

Orrin Thompson Homes was at the Planning Commission meeting requesting approval of the final plat for Carver Creek Seventh Addition. The final plat is the next phase of the development involving thirty lots for single-family development; fourteen acre Outlot A for future development and a little over an acre for right-of-way of Riesgraf Road and Fullerton Avenue. The city planner recommended approval with conditions. The park dedication was to be determined. The engineer would determine the amount of usable acreage in Overlook Park. A final landscape plan would need to be submitted with two of the conditions attached to approval. The engineers recommendations included street lighting, storm warning sirens, charges, forwarding appropriate information to governmental agencies, private utilities, improvement assessments, permits, easements, grading, and surveys. The engineer also discussed the issue of a Conditional Use Permit to be applied before and that the plat cannot be recorded until this permit is acquired. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the final plat of Carver Creek 7th Addition upon compliance with all of the conditions listed b both the city planning and engineer; especially involving the addressing of grading, bluff setback, easement and the Conditional Use Permit.

The council was informed of the Planning Commission's recommendation. Motion was made and carried approving the resolution for the final plat of thirty two residential lots, one outlot and right-of-way for Carver Creek Seventh Addition.

Surface Water Management Plan

Question was asked regarding the status of the Surface Water Management Plan. The engineer had been in attendance of the meeting with the Lower MN River WaterShed District. Discussions were held regarding the funding for additional study areas in the western areas of the original study which involved the township areas. Funding for any further studies of the area is not planned due to their water district boundaries. The engineer contacted the county who is the other factor of the funding process. The county cannot commit to any additional funding due to a variety of issues. The engineer would confer with the city staff and submit recommendation in the future. Council member inquired about benefit of completion of the study prior to new subdivisions developing. A draft report is presently being used. The county and township will be asked for approval.

American Bikers for Awareness, Training, and Education

The Park and Recreation Board listened to the presentation given by David Carlson and Mark Seen for the ABATE (American Bikers for Awareness, Training and Education) group. ABATE hosts an annual rally for its chapters from all around the State of Minnesota. The Park and Recreation Board were told that this group was searching for a location to partner with the local community forming a long-term partnership for their annual rally which would benefit both parties. This type of rally attracts approximately 1500 to 2500 people. These individuals would patronize local business. Informational material and a written proposal was presented to the Park and Recreation Board. The ABATE personnel had toured RiverSide Park and met with the city personnel. Proposal was presented for 2003 as a trial year. If all went well, discussions would be pursued for permanency for the future.

The ABATE personnel if granted use would immediately begin cleaning the park area in preparation for their September rally. Temporary structures would also be built. Businesses would be utilized. Several businesses had already expressed support. Safety was discussed, as well as ability to effectively patrol activities. Mixed reviews had been received from their former location. Isolated events were talked about. ABATE carries liability. Legalities would be reviewed by the city attorney. Motion was made and carried by the Park and Recreation Board recommending hosting the ABATE rally over Labor Day weekend at RiverSide Park for a one year (2003) trial basis.

Representatives from ABATE discussed their proposal with council for the use of RiverSide Park for a motorcycle rally for the three day weekend of Labor Day. Licenses may also be required for food vendors by the MN Department of Health. Some variances may also be required from the city. This annual rally was for fundraising. A Planning Committee would be arranged with the city staff if approval was accepted. The group would do clean up/fixing on the park. Portable facilities would also be their responsibility.

Concerns involving other uses of the park expected, security and noise. Council member expressed his opinion of wanting RiverSide Park being active again and his part in discussing this proposal with ABATE and that this proposal was a good idea. The residents input would be asked for.

Further discussions were held regarding the park as unique as it is in the floodplain and is a natural resource area. Park curfews and vehicle parking variances would be necessary. Type of campground would need to be decided, drainage of area of flooding would be regulated by the Department of Health, therefore, the would have to be contacted. The zoning of the area was intended to preserve the natural state of the area and the drainage. The Flood Ordinance would also require DNR approval. Uniformed police would also be required for the event hired by ABATE. A meeting with residents should be set up was discussed.

Suggestion had been submitted that a meeting be scheduled with residents for input pertaining the usage of RiverSide Park. Because of the timing, the ABATE group has chosen to seek another site for their rally.

Hidden Bluff

The Planning Commission reviewed the Klingelutz Development Company request for approval of the final plat for Hidden Bluff (formerly Carver South). The final plat had been approved previously, however recording time had expired. Re-approval is being requested. Preliminary plat was approved as 'Carver South' containing ten lots for town homes and one outlot. The final plat coincides with the approved preliminary plat formerly approved. The city planner recommended re-approval with conditions. These conditions included conditions must be met of preliminary plat resolution, developer is responsible for improving Seventh Street, access easement provision, conservation easement, park dedication, landscaping conformance and the drafting and signing of a Development Agreement. The city engineer recommended addressing the final plat resolution, street lighting, siren warning sirens, charges, plan submittal, submit final plans and specifications, and clarification for permits with appropriate agencies required. Motion was made and carried recommending approval of the final plat for Hidden Bluff meeting all conditions.

Motion was made and carried by the council approving the resolution for the final plat of ten units of town homes and one outlot for Hidden Bluffs

Tollefson Developers

Corey and Jamie Tollefson, Matt Weiland and Gary Wollschlage of representing Tollefson Development and the City of Carver Planner, Carver Administrator and the Carver Mayor were all in attendance at the Dahlgren Township Meeting. The purpose of their visit was to present their presentation for the proposed property development. The proposed development consists of approximately 612 acres of land belonging to six property owners want to be annexed to the City of Carver for the development discussed. These representatives of Tollefson spoke of 'masterminding', phased project, start up construction in 2005-2006, company profile, roads, trails, parks, mixed use/density/town homes, executive lot homes, gas stations, commercial property, schools, setting the environment for development by covenants and approximately 1100 units constructed. This development proposal would be a phased project from ten to twenty years. The annexation would occur over a period of six years. Proposal would begin in 2005 or 2006. The City of Carver has to be asked if they interested in the annexation proposal.

Township residents present at the meeting asked a number of questions. Questions included references of other developments proposed/completed; years in business. The response given that they have been in business for twenty plus years. These representatives were asked if they live-in their own developments. A company profile was available upon request. What is the process and if residents would be involved in their planning. Residents reminded others that they moved in this area to get away from the cities, now they are back in the same situation.

Costs involved in this development was questioned regarding water, sewer and electricity. It was also asked if these costs would be passed onto township residents. Response was given that the developer pays for infrastructure in the areas.

Annexation process was inquired about. The developer stated that there are different ways to achieve annexation. There is orderly annexation agreements, Ordinance and Resolutions. The developer stated that it is best to annex through some type of phase agreement where services, taxes and other things. However this has to be determined between the township and the City of Carver. The group was reminded that there is the law which was passed that 64 acres can be annexed if contiguous with the city property and the township cannot do anything to prevent this form of annexation. Question was asked about property bordering the city limits. With the purchase of last piece of property obtained, the link is now feasible for pursuing these property developments and possible annexation.

For the City of Carver, it will be necessary to update the process by amendment. The township and the city will have to work jointly on the Comprehensive Plan which would require approval from the Metropolitan Council.

The township chairman stated that from the township's viewpoint they have a number of qualms with this development. It was also the chairman's opinion that the city would not be satisfied with annexing these little parcels of land all over. And that the city would want to annex all the properties between. The township does not want to loose all these properties. The developer pointed out annexation of these areas would be the city's decision.

The City of Carver Planner stated that the city isn't interested in annexing the Mt Carmel properties. If these property owners in the future wish to be part of the City of Carver and request annexation, then at that time the city would consider this action at that time. The City of Carver mayor stated that the city has no great desire to annex land out of the township in order to expand the city, but unfortunately this is a high growth area. No decisions have made by the city. However, if this development has enough advantages to the city, then annexation would be supported. The city was interested in commercial industrial development adjacent to #212. If the city were to pursue this proposal. Up dating the city's Comprehensive Plan would be necessary. Township input would be requested. Suggestion was submitted to schedule meetings with the township residents, city and the developer. The township would also consider scheduling meetings with the township residents.

The idea of developing with the magnitude spoken of was opposed overall. The Carver mayor stated, "city sees no desire to grow". The township board was of the opinion that this was not an orderly development. It was also pointed out that the future will force township residents to hook up to the city municipal utilities as septic system fail. This will warrant a costly venture at that time.

Plained Glass

The SteamBoat Committee has acquired an original designed art quilt made by Linda Schutz from the HazelNut House. The purpose of the quilt is to raffle this beautiful quilt. Raffle tickets can be purchased from Carver businesses.

For refreshment purposes the quilt was the artistic result of the stained glass windows in the old Presbyterian Church known as the Church-By-The-River. When Linda looked around town, it suddenly occurred to her that the windows in all three church were of the same dimensional cut.

Each of the three stained glass windows is different, but mesmerizing. The three windows represent the three churches, the St Nicholas Catholic Church, Trinity Lutheran Church and the Presbyterian Church. To really appreciate and drink in the beauty of this original art quilt, you need to see it. Pictures have also been posted throughout town which really do not do this piece of art justice.

The quilt was on tour, so to speak. It had been displayed around the metro area. In June, Linda entered it at the MN Quilt Show at the River Center in St Paul, which is the largest state show in the country. Congratulations Linda! We are proud to announce that she won FIRST PLACE in 'Viewer Choice' at the MN Quilt Show. When I talked to her, she was excited about the news. As she should be.

You are invited to come and view this masterpiece at her studio when she returns from displaying it at various sites throughout the metro area. It's a must see! Just look at the stained glass windows in the church and you can get a sense of what the art work will be like. She's captured a small piece of history in material and preserved that window of time.

Since she won First Place, that means that this quilt has just become a little more valuable, you know. So you better hurry to get your chances by buying raffle tickets for the chance to own this now increased value art quilt. Be sure to stop in at your local businesses and purchase some raffle tickets. They are \$2. Per ticket. Remember, Linda has been promoting SteamBoat Days around the metro, so buy, buy, buy. And wait until you see it! So buy a whole book, if you want to own this art quilt! Thanks Linda and again CONGRATULATIONS!

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions held officer installation of new members. The new officers are: President, Harlan Thaemert; First Vice President, Keith Wickenhauser; Second VP, Ken Frey; Third VP, Gary Marquardt; Treasurer, Marvin Grimm; Secretary, Mark Bartusch. Board of Directors are Jane Halstrom, Vic Tompkins, Ken Frey and Rick Edlund. The Tail Twister is Brenda Lano and the Lion Tamer is Doug Dauwalter.

The Lions will again be hosting a picnic for the Student Youth Exchange. There are thirty seven international students who are touring the area. The picnic is scheduled for July 25th at the Lions Park.

Lions have been working almost daily on the Church-By-The-River. Progress on the rehabilitation project has been steady and with good results. Meetings are now being scheduled in the building.

The new play ground equipment (replacing the old) has been installed at the Lions Park. This was a joint venture between the Lions and the Park and Recreation Board.

The Lions continue working on plans for SteamBoat Days.

The Lions would like to remind everyone of the importance of collecting eye glasses, sunglasses and hearing aids. Eyeglass collection supports the project of reconditioning and cataloguing that are given to the poor who cannot afford to buy them. Hearing aids are also accepted. These are given to terminal ill patients. One of the side effects of chemotherapy is the loss of hearing or the reduction of hearing. Terminal patients are the recipients of these hearing aids. There are boxes at the Post Office, bars, Chaska banks and the Carver Village Hall.

Remember new members are always welcomed. Guests are always welcome too.

Dear City of Carver Council and Residents:

It is beyond my comprehension the actions that the Carver city councils have been taking over the past decade. Are you representing the residents or your own personal agendas? It is my opinion that you are certainly not taking into account what anyone else wants for the area, nor working with your neighbors outside city limit boundaries. I keep hearing over and over that we are in a high growth area. Not if leaders have a backbone to lead and say enough is enough. That has been known to happen, you know.

I have stood by and watched the city gobble up more and more until you have an out of control monster with an appetite that is insatiable.

Has anyone actually stopped to realize exactly how many developments are currently in the process of construction? Or that the city officials only do this civic service on a part-time basis, not full-time? How can you keep up and know all you should when you only meet twice a month and have limited hours after your day job? City elected officials has to depend on hired personnel. How many of these advisors reside locally? Maybe four employees reside locally. How many others are from the twin cities or the immediate suburbs? Are they interested in preserving the historic atmosphere of a small town? You can't preserve small towns when you constantly argue "you can't stop progress" or "high growth area" and continue to stretch your boundaries beyond present city limits. Or take on more than you can handle? Or stretch beyond your present means? This is not progress; this is called greed.

Presently the city has eight developments in the works. Shall we name them for accountability? None of these developments, nor recently developed developments are without their own unique problems. We have Carver Bluffs, Carver Creek, RiverView Estates, Carver Ridge, River Bluff Estates, Hidden Bluff, Heritage Development and Carver Creek 7th Addition. Not to mention past developments, such as Lenzen Addition, Sunnyside, Mt Hope Road, and the development across from SkyView Lane, the name escapes me at the moment. Did you know that the population of Carver used to be approximately 800? What is it now? Does anyone care? The most recent development proposal claims to boast of doubling the population with proposed 80 acre development. If 80 acres of development will double the population, what then would 612 proposed development mean for the city and/or township? I'll let you foresee the disadvantages and/or advantages.

This leads me to the newest gamble your city council wishes to venture into and propose for our precious land. Which is not even in the city limits yet. This proposal would not have even been viable if the one key parcel had not been bought up by this developer which also holds the key to the success this latest proposal for the City of Carver from Tollefson Development Inc. Without this key parcel, the proposed 1100 units of high density construction would not even be feasible. This development defies this proposal as 'masterminding' planning which includes roads, trails, parks, town homes, executive lot homes, school and commercial industry. (e.g. gas station, and possibly a grocery store) This developer has acquired 612 acres in the township and wants to be annexed into the city.

This development is about what benefits the developer and the city. Would they consider developing by county ordinances? Obviously not, or why waste your time drawing up preliminary proposals for that number of acres? More units can be built if they

are in city limits and under city codes and the monetary benefits are much higher.

With all these developments comes a large, if not astronomically population increase, tax increase, recreational areas, increased demands on water, water pressure in hydrants will not be adequate at times, the requirement of increased policing. Will all of these items be compromised, not to mention cost increases for services? What about personnel increase that will become necessary; or Fire Department and Public Works, Municipal Utilities personnel increases; or housing for these departments equipment, etc?

Heard a resident comment that change was not a problem, but the wrong kind of change is disadvantageous. And there is the issue of property values and tax effects? What about water pressure for the Fire Department? Another comment heard stated was "Carver has the atmosphere of a small historic town and the need to preserve it". Can this be achieved with all these developments? And seeking even more to develop? If 80 acres would double the population, again I ask what would 612 acres do? Where does it stop and when? Is this really what progress is? I suppose it would be if Carver wanted to be Los Angeles, or San Francisco, or Seattle, or Houston, or Miami, or Minneapolis/St Paul or New York City?

Now we have achieved the problem with roads, which were not designed for these types of increases. Another tax increase to accommodate these developments. All this talk about the new County Road #147 will alleviate some of these traffic problems. In reality all that has been achieved is to shift the problem from one spot to another. What's next? Traffic lights? Who pays for these? This is not an opinion, this is reality check. Whether there is eleven thousand or thirty thousand people, they all will be trying to get onto the present thoroughfare, Hwy #212. The #212/312 proposed highway has been talked about many, many, many years, even before some of our times and has still not materialized. This proposed solution is super weak argument as a resolution to the traffic problems experienced. These increases of population have only succeeded at compounding an existing problem.

All these developers have the same sale pitch. 'We are here to answer questions and address your concerns. This would be a change and not everyone is receptive to change'. Not once, will you hear any of these developers way, 'This about how much I benefit monetarily.'

In conclusion, I do not understand the comments made by the Carver mayor. "I will help the community develop and it will be compatible with the neighborhood." Or, "Carver is not looking to grow". These sure ring with contradiction as to what is/has been and will continue to be proposed. The continuous taking of township parcels is not exactly neither compatible nor stopping increased growth if an additional 612 acres or development is being proposed. The township board is of the opinion that this is certainly not orderly developing. Then there is the unnerving knowledge that the city has the ability to gobble up 64 acres at a time without asking and already has occurred in the Carver Bluffs development. Once again making the newest proposal one step closer to growth by the city. Is this politics as usual?

Public Works Report

The Public Works Director informed the council that volunteers had helped install the play ground equipment at Lion's Park. There were about thirty volunteers. Thanks were extended for the help.

SkyView Lane patching had been completed, but didn't help much since the street needs to be redone. This issue is to be discussed in the future.



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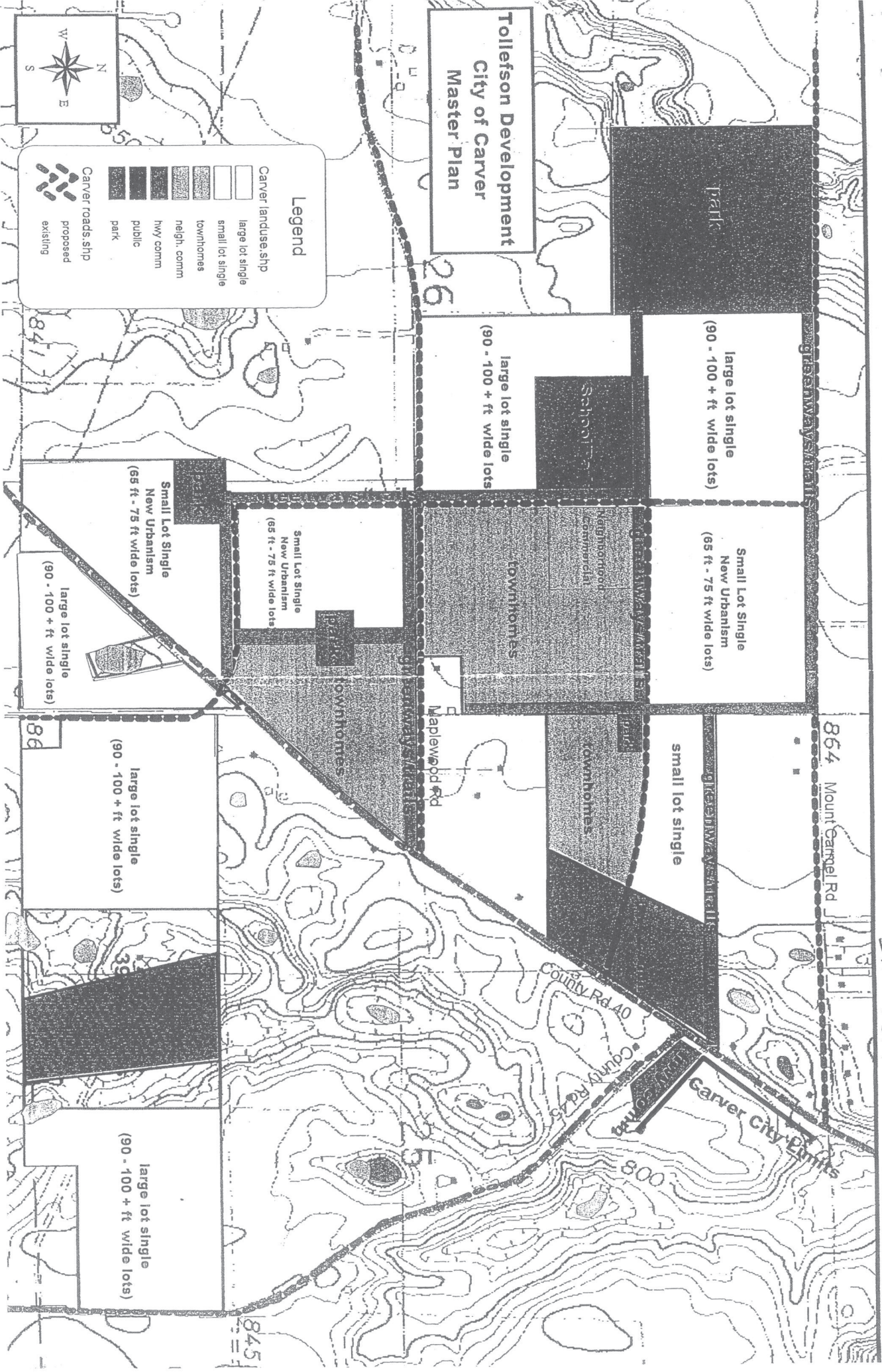
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