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Dahlgren Township

The Dahlgren Township Board reviewed the request for approval of a conditional use permit for the installation of a wind turbine at the business location of Mustard Seed. The board approved the conditional use permit.

The board has been reviewing the issue of pushing snow across township roads which is illegal. Documentation will be done and warning letters forwarded. It is costly to have a third party remove snow from the roadway when driveways being snowplowed push excess snow across the roads.

Funding request will be forwarded again for the FYU2011 Appropriations from Senator Klobuchar. The necessary forms will be forwarded to the senator's office referencing the Town Hall.

The township met with the Carver Fire Department. There was a discussion of a new fire engine. The department was asked to investigate the cost of a purchase of a new truck, or a demo truck or a used truck. The meeting was rescheduled for further discussions.

The township was asked to forward an appeal to the CenturyLink phone company to provide high speed internet to more township residents. A notice would be posted on the townships website.

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions will be presenting dictionaries again to all the third grade students at the East Union School in the month of February. This will be the third year for this program. The Lions are discussing plans for their Annual Pork Chop Dinner scheduled for April 30th. Don't forget, the Lions still collect used eyeglasses. They can be dropped off at the city hall or brought to any of the Lions events or meetings.

Carver Lions Member, Lowell Peterson is residing at the MN Veterans Home in Silver Bay, Minnesota where he is continuing therapy.

St Nicholas Church

Church members noted increased traffic on 4th Street, along with increased speed. The council was informed of this observation. There have been some close calls the council was told when people realize upon reaching the top of the hill that there is a 'hidden driveway'. A sign exists, however, the location obstructs the view of the oncoming traffic. Suggestion was submitted to place signs in both directions, stating, "Caution - Church Entrance". The church should discuss the issue with the staff and implement a solution.

Sanitation Licenses

Representatives from Franck's Sanitation, Organic Disposal, Allied Waste and Elite Sanitation were at the meeting. Randy's and Highland Sanitation applied for licenses however were not at the meeting. The council asked questions of the sanitation representatives present. Question was asked if they would all abide with the Memorandum of Understanding. Wide range of services for residents was the council's goal. Motion was made and carried to issue sanitation licenses to Elite Waste Disposal and Organic Disposal.

Municipal Utilities

The city engineer explained to the council that approval of Change Order #3 involved with the Carver Interceptor has been removed from the agenda because the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services had not given approval for the Change Order. The engineer requested approval from the council contingent on the Metropolitan Council's approval. The council had questions regarding the Change Order and requested documentation for the change order including the part containing trash removal. A council member inquired about the part in the change order involving brick pavers as it was understood that these were part of the original contract. The engineer stated that they were not. Another council member inquired about the removal of a tree since there was confusion regarding which trees were to be removed. The work had already been done. The council questioned the contingency amounts listed on the Change Order. Additional signage costs were questioned and the signs were rented. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the Change Order contingent on the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services approval.

The council reviewed the pay request for the 'Carver Interceptor Segment A' for SM Hentges & Sons, Inc. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the pay request contingent on the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services approval. The council reviewed approval of the sewer extension analysis. MN DOT had paid for the Technical Memo on Sewer Extension Analysis for Comment to the MN DOT. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving submittal of the technical memo and analysis for comment to MN DOT.

Alternate Urban Area Review

The city planner reviewed the Alternate Urban Area Review recently discussed. The council was reviewing approval of the resolution pertaining to the adoption of the final Carver Freeway Commercial Alternative Urban Area Review. The DNR and the Metropolitan Council responded in the time period allowed. The city was asked to accept the resolution adopting the final alternate urban area review and mitigation plan. The city planner stated that future development of said area has to be consistent with the adopted final alternate urban area review and mitigation plan. If a proposed development is not consistent then the environmental analysis will be required to be updated. The environmental review is valid for five years and if a development is not fully approved within five years then an update to the alternative urban area review will be necessary by Minnesota Rules. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the final Alternate Urban Area Review and Mitigation Plan for the Carver Freeway Commercial area.

Food Shelf

Don't forget: If you take all your donations to the City Hall, Linda will be glad to transport them to the Food Shelf, once a month. The Chaska Area Food Shelf desperately needs Food Items and Household Items. All donations would be greatly appreciated. With the economy the way it is and so, so many people out of work, there are many, many hungry people out there from every walk of life. Some too proud, too ashamed, embarrassed and afraid to ask for help. Help all those in need. One day we might need that kind of help too. We waste more than we could ever donate. Drop off some vegetables (canned), peanut butter, cereal, oatmeal, rice, cheese and noodles, soup, beans, dish soap, shampoos, diapers, every little bit helps. Thanks for your thoughts and help.

"A Real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out."

County Roads

The city planner told the council that the council is requesting comments for the proposed layout for County Road #11 between County Road #61 (old Highway #2123) and County Road #10. The city planner drafted a comment letter for the council's approval. Inquiry was made regarding the cost for right-of-way and construction. The current cost estimate was given by a resident. Motion was made and carried with all ayes stating that the City of Carver favored Option 1 or 2 as shown on the project map.

The council reviewed the Environmental Assessment and Worksheet for Highway #212 and the request authorizing Submission of Comments. MN DOT is requesting comments from the cities of Carver and Cologne. A copy of the Environmental Assessment and Worksheet is available at the city offices or on MN DOT's website. The planner drafted a letter for the council's approval for submission to MN DOT. Motion was made and carried with all ayes authorizing the comment letter for the Environmental Assessment and Worksheet for Highway #212 comments to be submitted to MN DOT.

Potential City Hall

Scheduling a workshop meeting was requested to discuss the potential city hall on Community Development Authority property. There was a brief discussion on the topic. Motion was made and carried with all ayes scheduling the special meeting discussing the potential new [location to be determined] city hall, preference to the Fire Hall. Request was submitted for information to be provided prior to the meeting by the Community Development Authority and the city planner.

Water Tower

The council discussed the water tower and the repainting of it. The tower had been constructed in 1987. Generally repainting of them is required every fifteen to twenty years. The current tower paint has lasted twenty plus years. KLM Engineering conducted a recent inspection. The company recommended removal and replacement of both the interior and exterior coatings within the next two years. There were also some structural repair recommendations so that the tank would be in compliance with OSHA regulations and American Water Works Associations standards, as well as to allow for safe access to the tank. This work would take approximately five weeks to complete.

The cost of this work was questioned. The engineer quoted approximately eighteen thousand for plans and specifications. Question was asked why plans and specifications were necessary to paint the interior and exterior of the water tower. Exterior painting was questioned. The Public Utilities Supervisor stated that it could be done, but the tower would still be required to be drained and disassembled, therefore, it made sense to paint both the interior and exterior at the same time. Council consensus was to get more information since it was their opinion that the estimated cost for repainting was quite steep.

Snow

The mayor inquired about permit requirements if someone wanted to utilize an ATV for snow plowing on sidewalks. The attorney responded that a permit could be gotten but it would be difficult to regulate. The attorney stated that there are larger ATV's that are licensed and can be driven on the street. Different uses for these vehicles was discussed and these uses were considered appropriate for city celebrations, snow removal and the like. Further discussion was held what use should or should not be allowed.

Park and Recreation Department

Remember the last Friday of each month is Tot Time Open Play at the Village Hall from 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM and there is no charge for this playtime. Coming up on March 20th is the Carver Arts and Craft Fair in the Village Hall from 9 AM until 2 PM. The city is also accepting advertising in the Parks and Recreation Program Book. If you are interested in ad space in the Spring/Summer 2010 book, please call 942.448.2290, ext #2. Also, if there is anyone interested in information and/or registration for programs and events, you can go to the city's website for this information. If you don't have a computer, call the city or utilize the libraries computer. In the event of inclement weather, you can call 942.448.2290, ext #4 for cancellation information.

Carver Arts & Craft Fair

Check out local artists and crafters displaying their work at this unique fair!
You can browse or buy - stop in and take a look.

Saturday, March 20

9:00am - 2:00pm

Carver Gym, 316 Broadway

Artists and Crafters Wanted

Do you paint, sculpt, draw, or create?

If you would like to have a display, table rent for the event is only \$10.00. Call 952-448-2290 ext. 2.

Carver Village Open Air Market

The Carver Village Open Air Market returning on Saturday May 22, 10 -3. Shop at the Gazebo Park for vintage merchandise, art, cool stuff and one-of-a-kind items.

Carver Card Club

The Carver Card Club is getting ready for cards, games and/or just conversation on Wednesday, March 10th at 1 PM. These fun events will continue until 4 PM at the Village Hall. Your host for the event is Evelyn Grimm. Where else can you get a delicious dessert served with coffee? If you are interested in bringing that favorite delicious dessert, let Evelyn know at 942.448.9465. Be sure, if you want, or have company, bring that special friend or special family member to the fun and festivities. Thanks.

Tentative Agenda

City of Carver Council
Monday Evening 6:30 PM

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Approve Agenda
- 4) Petitions and Requests
- 5) Consent Agenda
- 6) Municipal Utilities Report
- 7) Building Inspector Report
- 8) City Planner Report
- 9) City Engineer Report
- 10) City Attorney Report
- 11) Administrator Report
- 12) Liaison Reports
- 13) Other Business
- 14) Adjourn

2010 Carver Lions Annual

Easter Egg Hunt

Hey Kids
Ages 1-10
Join us!

Saturday, April 3, 2010
10 a.m.

Community Park
(6th St and
County Road 11)
in Carver

Please be on time.

Bring a bag or basket for
your Easter eggs!

* In case of rain or snow, the hunt will be moved to Carver City Hall, downtown Carver.

Carver

BLACK SOX
Established 1948



Carver Black Sox Bingo

The Carver Black Sox extend a formal invitation to anyone interested in their annual Bingo event. Carver Black Sox Bingo will be holding their event at the Village Hall on March 26th at 7 PM until 11 PM. Once again, the purpose of fundraisers for the Black Sox baseball team is to raise money to build an equipment storage structure at the baseball field in the Community Park. So if you like bingo, come and join the Black Sox and friends and remember there are refreshments available at the event. The Black Sox will also have season passes available this year for games as part of their fundraising efforts. Contact the Black Sox for more information.

Community Youth Baseball/Softball Association

Early registration helps us form teams, get equipment organized, shirts and hats ordered and to have enough fields for our teams. Listed below is a brief summary of the options for our youth.

T-Ball : Boys and Girls Current grade: Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten
Game Nights - the Month of June on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Carver Community fields.
Scheduled game times are 6:00pm and 7:15PM
Fee is 25.00 per child will include T-shirt, all equipment, and a trophy at the year picnic

Girls Softball Grades 1 thru 12th
Boys Baseball grades 1st thru 4th
Steps to register are:
Steps to follow are:

Key in: <http://cityofcarver.com/>
-On the Left hand side select CCYBSA
-Select Link to 2010 Registrations

This opens up our website on: LeagueLineup.com
-On the right hand side - we have the 2010 Registration form and an Online form for the Scholarship Request

It is the philosophy of this program that each player should learn through active participation; and that winning is the end result of a total team contribution. The purpose of this program is to provide children an opportunity to have fun, develop physically and socially, and to learn the basic fundamentals of the sport of baseball/softball.

You can also complete the Request for Scholarship Form selection for your Son or Daughter and your request will be processed.

If anyone knows of a youth who has not signed up because of financial reasons, please contact Jane at ccybsa.reg@gmail.com or 952-492-2907 or Cindy at 952-448-4760. Confidential arrangements will be made.

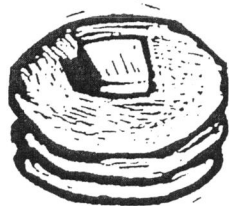
Upon completion of your online registration, please mail a copy of your confirmation email and your check to:

CCYBSA
316 Broadway N
Carver, MN 55315



Carver Lions Club
Pancake & French
Toast Breakfast

Served with HomeMade
Sausage



SUNDAY - MARCH 14TH 2010
7:30 AM TO 1 PM at the
Carver Village Hall

Admission ~ Adults: \$7 at the door, \$ 6 with ticket ~
Ages 6-12 ` \$3 ~ Under 6 -Free

Carver Community Calendar and Fire Department Highlights March 2010

- March 1st - Council Meeting
- March 2nd - East Union PTO Meeting
Happy Birthday Cindy!
Happy Birthday Sunny!
- March 3rd - Late Start - District #112
Lions Meeting
- March 4th - Drill Night
Happy Birthday Addie!
- March 5th - Happy Birthday Karen!
- March 6th - Happy Birthday Max!
- March 7th - Happy Birthday Brittany!
- March 8th - Dahlgren Township Board Meeting
Park and Recreation Meeting
- March 9th - Dahlgren Township Election and Annual Meeting
- March 10th - Senior Card Party
SteamBoat Days Committee Meeting
Happy Birthday Sandy!
- March 11th - School Board Meeting
- March 12th - No School
- March 13th - Happy Birthday Andrea!
- March 14th - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
- March 15th - Drill Night
- March 16th - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
Lions Meeting
- March 17th - St Patrick's Day
- March 19th - Happy Birthday Rylee!
- March 20th - Carver Arts & Craft Fair
First Day of Spring
- March 23rd - Planning Commission Meeting
Happy Birthday Jacob!
- March 24th - Happy Birthday Keith!
- March 25th - School Board Meeting
Fire Department Meeting
Happy Birthday Charlie!
- March 26th - Tot Time Open Play
Spring Break [through April 4th]
Happy Birthday James!
Happy Birthday Beth!
- March 27th - Happy Birthday Laurie!
- March 28th - Palm Sunday
Happy Birthday Cheryl!
- March 29th - Happy Birthday Lisa!
Happy Birthday Ken!
Passover (Begins at Sundown)
- March 30th - Happy Birthday Paul!

Special Work Session

The council held a special work session for the purpose of discussing a proposed new city hall. The city planner requested discussion pertaining to the scope of the project, as well as feedback on council's goal to accomplish. One council member was of the opinion that the sites for the city hall should be reviewed in the downtown area and that the community center be an alternate with the Community Development Authority. Another opinion given was that there was not enough space downtown as the city grows. So as that there would not be abandonment, a plan should be in place for the downtown. What would happen with the church and the present village hall. A concern was voiced regarding the expenses in this economy and taxing already burdened taxpayers. The financial consultant presented some estimates on costs and debt limits. A sensitivity analysis comparing costs for new into the future could be presented. The attorney discussed a Joint Powers Agreement with the Community Development Authority. Two council members were prepared to proceed with the proposal, however, three council members wanted more in depth information. The mayor was of the opinion that there was a need to proceed but was -. The city engineer was directed to bring more information regarding the school house building to an upcoming meeting. Request was submitted to present square foot cost comparisons between the school house building and the proposed new structure. Parking should also be discussed. The final conclusion was that there was a need for a new building for the city offices and that the city would be imprudent not to build with the proposal presented by the Community Development Authority.

Carver Mike's My Pillow

I am beginning to wonder if my walls have ears or if it is just great minds think alike? Both ideas are preposterous. What has this sentence got to do with Mike Lindell and Carver's My Pillow? Well it was only last month that I contacted Mr Lindell to inquire about doing an article for the upcoming issue of this little newsletter and lo and behold, the *Herald* has just done an article on his business. If I were paranoid I would really question this coincidence, but it only makes sense that since the big metropolitan paper picks up on little ole' Carver with their story involving the Vikings and Mr Lindell that the Herald would also pick up on this claim to fame. This part-timer just has to keep competing. At first I considered forsaking the notion of even attempting to compose an article, but then after second thoughts I thought what the hey, my angle is a different, as you can tell by the opening paragraph.

So as you all have probably already read, Mr Lindell owned taverns in the past and recovering from his own addictions with what some have labeled miracle pillows. His website is probably its own best description and marketing:

"Years ago, just like you, I was extremely frustrated with my pillow. After an auto accident left me with a severe neck injury, I found I just couldn't get to sleep and STAY ASLEEP. I found myself exhausted and laying awake at night. I started to think about what I needed to do to get better sleep, and I started to think about how maybe if I got a different pillow, I could sleep a whole lot better. So, I started to research pillows. I was adamant about finding what I wanted. After trying several pillows and researching pillows, I found that there was nothing on the market that really worked, so I decided to make my own.

"That's right. I got out the sewing machine, bought some down, and shredded some poly foam with my own fingers. Once I got the right amount of down for comfort and the right sized poly foam for support, I found I was sleeping better. Then the next problem came when my wife and kids were constantly swiping my pillow! Every time I was ready to go lie down, I would have to find my pillow! Frustrated again, I was constantly asking, "Where is My Pillow? Where is My Pillow? Where is My Pillow?" when finally my nine-year-old daughter, Liz, yelled out, "Hey Dad, why don't you make a pillow for all of us, so we can all have My Pillow." Aha!, I thought. She's absolutely right!

"So, I made one for everyone in my family. Then, neighbors, families and friends started to find out about MyPillow, so we grew into a business.

"Many people, like me, are in search of the pillow that will have them sleep comfortably. At night, you sleep with your arm under your head for support, flip-flop from side-to-side, flip your pillow over because of overheating, basically robbing yourself of highly beneficial REM sleep. Even if you are asleep for a full night, if your vertebrae are not fully supported, you're only getting a few minutes of quality REM sleep. Many people, like me, are in search of the pillow that will have them sleep comfortably. At night, you sleep with your arm under your head for support, flip-flop from side-to-side, flip your pillow over because of overheating, basically robbing yourself of highly beneficial REM sleep. Even if you are asleep for a full night, if your vertebrae are not fully supported, you're only getting a few minutes of quality REM sleep.

"Thousands of people like you suffer from inadequate sleep caused by sleeping on a bad pillow. Over time you develop migraines, fibromyalgia, sleep apnea, restless leg syndrome, acid reflux, and/or snoring, or any other afflictions caused by six to 10 hours a night of improper neck alignment due to sleeping on a bad pillow. Think about it. Perhaps you wake up in the morning with a stiff arm or stiff neck. This happens because your body is lacking from sleep and has to sleep through the pain to get the much needed REM sleep and as a result your neck and back or arm ache.

"You've gotta have the support of MyPillow. The nerves in your neck support all the nerves throughout your arms, torso, and legs. When you use MyPillow, your C-1 and C-2 vertebrae are fully supported and nerves are allowed to fully rest and restore especially because MyPillow stays cool. MyPillow keeps your cervical nerves cool and that helps with Multiple Sclerosis, Restless Leg Syndrome, Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome, and Lupus. It also helps the cervical nerves to calm down so you can fall asleep faster.

"The natural cooling effect of MyPillow helps you fall asleep faster and get a better night's sleep.

"I want everyone in the world to know about MyPillow. Better yet, I want everyone to OWN and SLEEP on MyPillow. I truly believe it is the best pillow in the world and that if everyone had one and got better sleep, the world would be a much nicer place."

Sincerely,



Michael J. Lindell

Inventor, Manufacturer and President of MyPillow, Inc.

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the USA



Carver Fire Department March News

The Carver Firefighters have been very busy with training and getting state certified. The training has been noticed on calls; one example is the department had a house fire that we responded to, along with assistance from Chaska, Cologne, Victoria, Shakopee, Jordan, and Belle Plaine for water and personnel, and it was extinguished with saving a lot of the house and its contents.

On February 27, 2010 Carver Fire Fighters: Chief - Dan Meyer, Captain 3 - Tim Carroll, and Firefighters - Jarren Schmieg, Jarred Bowen, and Matt Lewellen participated in a challenge to raise money for the American Lung Association in Minneapolis where we went up 30 flights of stairs with full gear on and a self-contained breathing apparatus which weighs over 60 pounds. When we were all done it was hard to even laugh because it took so much out of us, but we were all proud that we had the chance to do it. This was the second year that Tim had the chance to do it. This was competitive challenge where there were over 25 different departments from around the state participating and Carver placed 10th as a group (from the top four scores).

The Carver Fire Department received a 2006 rescue boat from the DNR that did not cost us any money thanks to Assistant Chief Scott Haas on finding this boat. The only cost that it took is time to go pick it up and minor repairs to get it ready for spring. This boat will replace the old rescue boat that has a lot of repair issues that cost more than what the boat is worth.

The Carver Fire Department is going out for bids to replace the rescue engine that was removed from service at the end of the 2009.

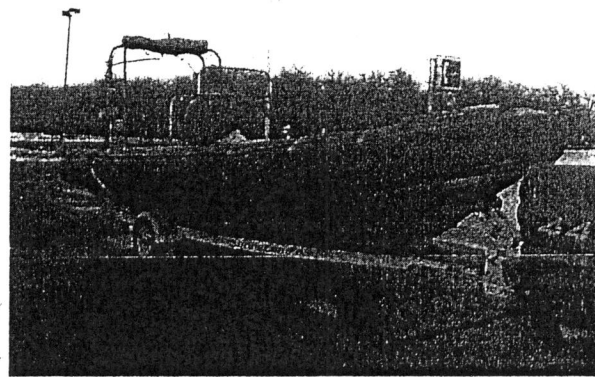
As spring is approaching, the City of Carver, Carver County Risk Management and the Carver Fire Department have been meeting and preparing for the concerns of flooding that has been predicted. The River is predicted to rise higher than it has in many years. The flood pumps and flood gates are being checked and secondary pumps are being prepared in case of any issues that may occur with the primary pumps. There is a likely hood that the need for sandbagging will occur. If you are in the flood zone, you only have thirty days before flooding is declared to get flood insurance.

As a reminder, make sure to check the batteries in your fire alarms and CO alarms. Also, make sure that you have a CO alarm within ten feet of every bedroom.

Thanks from the Carver Fire Department for supporting us at our 1st Annual Steak Fry.

A special thanks to the Carver Lions with support at our events along with other donations.

Thanks
Dan Meyer
Carver Fire Chief



Disclaimer

The "unapproved" minutes of the council and the township have been referenced for the purpose of creating this information for residents in the City of Carver and the townships surrounding the city.

Happy Easter



Traditions

2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY-SATURDAY 11:00-Close
HAPPY HOUR 3-6 PM
MARCH 5-7TH


Hawaiian Tropics Tilapia - Pineapple & Mango Salsa, Saffron Rice 9.95
Burgundy Marinated Flank Steak-Onions & Mushrooms, Roasted
Red Pepper Whipped Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley 11.95
Traditions Homemade Cheesy Hashbrown Soup -Cup 3.25, Bowl 4.75

SUNDAY BRUNCH
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Adults 13.95, 5-12 Ages 5.95, Ages 4 & Under FREE

March 13th

PING Pong Contest!! Watch FORK, more details!!

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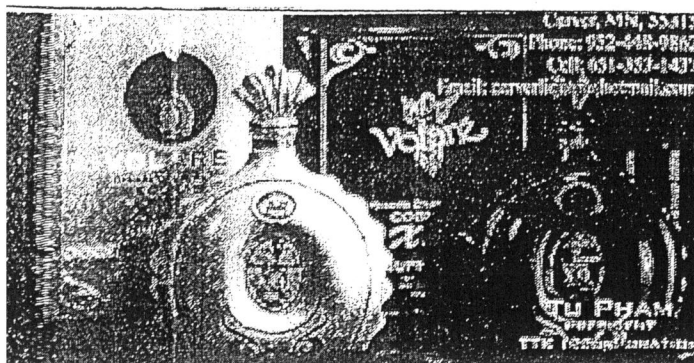
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