

**Organization River Area Council of Governments**

**Board Executive Board**

**Date and Time Tuesday, September 16 2014 at 7:00 PM**

**Place Village of Carthage Municipal Building, 120 S Mechanic St., Carthage NY 13619**

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**Minutes**

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September 16, 2014**

**Members present:** M. Bigness, T. Buckley, M. Franchini, W. McIlroy, P. Smith, and R. Vary

**Absent:** S. Burto and B. Ferguson

**Others:** Kathy Amyot and Phil Street

Chairman McIlroy called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. The meeting was opened for public comment. No one from the public addressed the Council.

Motion by M. Franchini, seconded by R. Vary to approve the minutes for May 20, 2014 as presented. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

The Council reviewed the 2014 pool reports. S. Burto (via telephone) addressed the status of a number of recommendations made by the pool director. W. McIlroy discussed issues regarding the coordination between the two Village summer programs and the swimming pool. T. Buckley stated that the directors of all the summer programming need to coordinate trips to the pool to manage the numbers of attendees and provide the maximum number of opportunities for all kids. The Council agreed, by consensus, to form a committee including, S. Burto, W. McIlroy and K. Amyot. The committee shall meet and develop recommendations for Council to review.

**New Business**

Council member reviewed a letter from the V/West Carthage requesting to join the RACOG Cooperative ZBA. The IMA was written to allow membership to expand for the V/West Carthage. Members discussed the makeup of the Board including temporarily having six members; alternate members; and the number of members from each municipality. Motion by P. Smith, seconded by T. Buckley to admit the V/West Carthage to the RACOG Cooperative ZBA with one member. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried. P. Street and members discussed possible amendments to the RACOG Cooperative ZBA IMA. No action was taken. The V/Carthage agreed to reduce their membership to one member appointed by the Village President.

Motion by M. Franchini, seconded by R. Vary to approve the 2015 RACOG Cooperative ZBA budget as presented. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Circuit Rider's report was reviewed and discussed. K. Amyot discussed the Council's fund balance. Members agreed, by consensus, not to appropriate the balance at this time.

P. Smith questioned whether funds were available to reinstate the summer concert series. W. McIlroy suggested that the Chamber of Commerce should be approached as a sponsor.

Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by M. Bigness to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

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