

Menominee County Board of Commissioners
December 3rd, 2008
Public Hearing ~ Village of Carney Annexation
Minutes

Proceedings of a Public Hearing of the Annexation of certain properties to the Village of Carney were held at the Nadeau Township Hall ~ Carney, Michigan.

Chairman Lynch called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

A call of the roll indicated that the following Commissioners were present/absent:

Present: Coms. Berger, Kakuk, Lang, Furmanski and Lynch.

Excused: None

Moved by Com. Furmanski, supported by Com. Kakuk to approve the agenda. Motion approved 5-0.

Mr. Lynch asks for a representative of the Village of Carney for any presentations. Mr. Perron, Village president said he didn't have any presentations, but is available for questions/comments.

Mr. Kakuk asks what kind of economic development will take place in regards to this annexation. Perron responds that there is no plan. Mr. Berger asks about the plan for a sewer system in the village. Mr. Perron responded that they would like to put a sewer system in the village of Carney and Nadeau.

Mr. Lang is concerned about property valuation. Many questions were asked by the commissioners in reference to the use of the property. Mr. Perron replies that a number of things can be done; it's just a matter of the feasibility study to see what may be done within the Village. Mr. Neumeier asks if the annexation is tied in with Aquila Resources? Mr. Perron said there were discussions with Aquila Resources, but the village is too far away from the mines to do anything with the village of Carney.

Mr. Lynch calls for public comment.

Mr. Ed Jenkins ask's about using the property "in kind" which means the village has to own the property. Is the property for sale? Is the village looking to buy the property? Mr. Burklund replies, "If the village finds that they have reason to purchase the property, then I'm sure we'll sell it."

Mr. Kakuk comments, you are going to ask the taxpayers to pony up some money, with NO plan of action.

Mr. Wayne Erickson states that there is no taxpayer in question here. This is about a property owner wanting their property to be added to the village.

Mr. Joe Linder asks if this will end here or if in the future will more property owners ask to annex their properties? His concern is with Nadeau Township losing revenue from a population decrease. Mr. Perron's answer was No, there is no other discussion of more property being annexed to the village in the future.

Chairman Lynch asks for any other public comments. Written comments may be submitted to the board by Dec. 15th. The board will make a decision at the next county board meeting on Dec. 23rd, 2008

Mr. Berger moves to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Kakuk supports the motion.

Meeting adjourns at 6:55 PM