

Carlos Area Fire Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 27th, 2026

Start Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Carlos Event Center

1. Call to Order

- Roll Call / Members Present
 - Ronna Berghoff, City of Carlos
 - Jon Trenne, City of Carlos
 - Jake Steidl, Carlos Fire Department
 - Colten Steidl, Carlos Fire Department Chief
 - Bill Krivanek, Carlos Township
 - Dwayne Waldorf, Carlos Township
 - Andy Miller, Belle River Township
 - Tom Toenjjes, Carlos resident
 - Mike Maudal, Carlos Township Resident
 - Introduction of Board and those in attendance.
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2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Review and approval of minutes from April 13th, 2025
 - Motion to approve minutes: **Waldorf, second Krivanek – Passed**
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3. Reports

a. Treasurer's Report

- No treasurers report, second meeting in April

4. Old Business

a. Project Discussion

- Reviewed each board members evaluation sheet about the CMAR proposals between BCI and Cecko Construction Co.:
 - Andy – focused mostly on fee schedule, BCI is clearly qualified, but the fee schedule is unmatched.
 - Dwayne – price difference is what it really came down to and availability.

- Jon – comparisons of key personnel, multiple vs one person; Cecko construction is also local.
- Bill – again bringing back the fee schedule and that Cecko construction is also just as qualified.
- Ronna – focused on project approach and with a significance on local on contractors.
 - Motion to hire: **Cecko Construction Co. on a part time basis, with the flexibility to move to full time if needed for the project – Berghoff, second Miller and Waldorf – passed**
- Ronna will notify Cecko Construction and also BCI of the decision about CMAR.

5. New Business

a. Do not have an update from Ringdahl Architects, to know the status of plans at this time.

b. Building Committee

- Committee Members:
 - Mike Swendsrud – Not Present
 - Lawrence Keenan – Not Present
 - Fire Department Members
 - 2-3 Fireman
- No discussion.

c. Brief discussion about hopeful timelines – bids around June/July, to make sure if needed we can get it on the ballot for November. The ballot cut off timeline is September.

6. Miscellaneous

a. None

7. Next Meeting Date and Time

- Confirm: **May 11th, 2025 – 6:30 PM at Carlos City Hall**
- Preliminary Agenda Items:
 - Follow up with Ringdahl and see what he has completed to keep design process going.
 - Review what Dan Burns says about re-writing JPA agreement.

8. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn: **Berghoff, second Waldorf – passed.**
- Adjournment time recorded: 7:05 pm
- Notes completed by: Ronna Berghoff, Carlos Area Fire JPA, Secretary; City of Carlos, Mayor

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