

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday August 7, 2012 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Don Marshall, Mark Powers, Steve Daniels, Dee Lynn Davey, Sean Haase and Ed Reeves. Alderman Bob Cook was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Steve Daniels motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Steve Daniels motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Darrell Kidd, 810 W Briarbrook Lane, addressed the council. He moved to Briarbrook after living outside the city limits for several years. Everywhere he lives he tries to make good changes and they try to improve the area and make it a better place. He was disappointed when his volunteer work was criticized. He has been using his 4 wheeler and tractor to pull limbs, clear brush, pick up rock and level and grade areas to make them mow able. He received approval to operate his 4wheeler and tractor to do that work. He passed pictures showing the council some of his cleanup work. He is a big supporter of the schools and the City. Mr. Kidd also showed an example of the rocks he has been picking up. He had been accused once for throwing rocks in the lake but he was lining an area with rock to keep it from eroding. He stated he has been keeping Jim Chaligoj in the loop on what he is doing and where he is doing it. Mark Powers asked about his dogs running loose. Mr. Kidd says he has a leash now.

There was no one else to speak during public forum.

CHAMBER REPORT

Gary Stubblefield reported that our Community profile is completed and reviewed it with the council.

CITIZENS FOR BETTER LIFE BOARD – PAT SMITH

Pat Smith reported they had put up a suggestion box for what was needed at the Senior Center. She went over the request and then reported to the council that the most votes (14) were to request hand rails and a wheelchair ramp to cross the street in the middle of the parking lot. They would also like a hand rail and ramp by the bench out in front of the Center. She feels this is a City issue and has brought this request to the council to make a decision on. Steve Lawver reported that he would have to get costs to meet ADA standards. There was some discussion about this project and whether it should be done or not. It was asked if we could do the work ourselves. Steve was not sure it depended on what we all had to do. Mark Powers suggested we have the Public Facilities Committee look at it and make a recommendation. Mayor Moss said we need to let Pat Smith know when the meeting was going to be. She also reminded the council that the Bluegrass Festival is coming up September 22nd. It is the 15th year anniversary of our Festival.

P&Z CASES

Mayor Moss opened the public hearing on Case #12-06 – 107 Water Street – Jim Rhea at 7:26 PM. Steve Lawver reported that the P&Z met and recommended approval. There was no one for or against it. Public hearing closed at 7:27 PM.

Mark Powers motioned to put “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF AN INTEREST IN REAL ESTATE BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI AND JAMES E. RHEA AND BONNIE F. RHEA, HUSBAND AND WIFE,; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PURCHASE A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN "CARL JUNCTION ORIGINAL" SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, JASPER COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ACCEPT A WARRANTY DEED TO SAID LAND FROM JAMES E. RHEA AND BONNIE F. RHEA; AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00) TO PURCHASE SAID LAND; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CLERK AND SUCH OTHER OFFICERS OF THE CITY AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO EXECUTE AND PROCESS SUCH DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO CONCLUDE SAID PURCHASE” on first reading by title only. Sean Haase seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. Mark Powers asked if it was coming out of the Capital Improvement Fund. It was replied yes. Steve reported that although Alderman Cook is not here he is opposed to the purchase. Steve reported that the structure will be left on the lot. Mark Powers motioned to put it on second reading by title only with a roll call vote. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. There was no discussion. Steve Daniels motioned for passage of the ordinance. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Daniels-y, Powers-y, Davey-y, Haase-y, Cook-absent, Reeves-n. Motion on Ordinance #12-28 was approved by roll call vote, signed by the Mayor, attested by the City Clerk and made a part of the permanent records of the City of Carl Junction.

ORDINANCES

Mark Powers motioned to put “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI AND MAJESTIC FRANCHISING INC. D/B/A JANI-KING OF SPRINGFIELD, TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE CARL JUNCTION POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$640.00 MONTHLY AND FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$1,845.00 MONTHLY, UNLESS INCREASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFIED CLEANING SCHEDULES, AND PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL CLEANINGS AT SPECIFIED RATES WHEN REQUESTED;

PROVIDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF INCLUDING AN AUTOMATIC ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT UNLESS TERMINATED WITH NOTICE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI” on first reading by title only. Don Marshall seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. Sean Haase asked if we were getting any complaints. It was replied no. It was asked how often they will be cleaning the PD. Steve replied once a week, but we have the option to increase it if we need to add days. It is \$295/month for each additional weekday that is added. There are 2 people that are cleaning. Mark Powers motioned to put it on second reading by title only with a roll call vote. Steve Daniels seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. Mike Talley said that the reason the title is so long is that it gives us flexibility in the contract. Dee Lynn Davey motioned for passage of the ordinance. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Daniels-y, Powers-y, Davey-y, Haase-y, Cook-absent, Reeves-y. Motion on Ordinance #12-31 was approved by roll call vote, signed by the Mayor, attested by the City Clerk and made a part of the permanent records of the City of Carl Junction.

REPORTS

The council reviewed the Administration report. There was nothing new to add.

Public Works report – had nothing new to report.

Police Department report – had nothing new to report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Budget/Finance Committee had nothing to report.

The Code/Nuisance Committee had nothing to report. Steve asked that the committee meet at 6:00 PM on 8/21/12 before the next council meeting.

The Human Resource Committee had nothing to report.

The Public Facilities Committee had nothing to report.

The Senior Citizen Committee reported that the Community Center had been used for kids around the world and they had a great time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mark Powers brought up Darrel Kidd and his volunteer work. He would like for this matter to be reconsidered. He suggested that if he continues to help out it is upon certain conditions. Sean Haase thanked Mr. Kidd for his work but was concerned about if we let him use his 4 wheeler other people will ride theirs on the paths. There was a lot of discussion about this. It was suggested that we put a placard on the machine that any volunteer is using so that they know they have permission. Ed Reeves asked Chief Haase if it was breaking the law to allow his 4 wheeler on the path. If so we would have to change the law in order to allow it. Mike Talley stated we can authorize him to let him use it. Ed Reeves was also concerned that if we allow one person to drive on the path everybody would do it. There was more discussion and it was stated that we don’t want to discourage volunteer work. Chief Haase stated that we might be opening up a can of worms if we allow it. Everyone agreed Mr. Kidd was doing a great job and looked for ways to allow volunteers to work for the city with the proper authorization. The council discussed the role of volunteers in general and it was suggested that we might give him a title or pay him \$1/annually for his work. After a lengthy discussion of this situation, it was suggested that Steve Lawver try to come up with guidelines for volunteers. Maybe we could contact other cities with policies that address this issue. Mark Powers stated to get ideas and take it to the Public Facility Committee so that they can make a recommendation to the council. Steve said he would do some research and get some guidelines for council consideration.

Mike Talley reported to the council that we are in discussions with the contractor, architect and subcontractor about the wood on our Community Center building. It was not finished properly and the finish was not applied per specifications. We are looking at this situation. He just wanted the council to be aware it. Mike Talley said that we are out of the one year warranty time period but the work was not done as believed at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

Sean Haase reported he would not be at the next meeting.

Maribeth Matney then stated that during the audit this year our auditor has recommended we either add a person to our checking account to sign checks or lower the number of signatures required from 3 signatures to 2 signatures. He stated we are the only entity he knows of that requires 3 signatures. We need flexibility in case one of the signers is out of town. Right now we have 3 people authorized to sign checks and it requires all 3 to sign checks. His preference would be to reduce it to 2 signatures; otherwise we would have to look at adding an elected official. After minor discussion Mark Powers motioned we reduce the number of signatures required from 3 to 2. Dee Lynn Davey seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Steve reported we had received a rebate from our health insurance company. The law states we can put it back to help reduce employee’s insurance costs or refund it to the employee’s. He sent a memo to the employee’s and the ones he heard back from said to keep it to help reduce future costs. We will be putting that money into our health insurance fund account.

City Clerk, Maribeth Matney, then asked the council if they would be attending MML so that she can release any rooms not needed.

Steve pointed out the article Kristi Beatty wrote for the MPRA and the award we won. He also stated that Mediacom was raising their rates.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR