

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday December 17, 2013 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Don Marshall, Steve Daniels, Mark Powers, Bob Cook, Sean Haase, Tim Smith and Roger Spencer. Also present were City Clerk Maribeth Matney, City Administrator Steve Lawver and City Attorney Mike Talley.

**AGENDA**

Bob Cook motioned to approve the agenda. Sean Haase seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Roger Spencer motioned to approve the consent agenda. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no one for public forum.

**CHAMBER REPORT**

Gary Stubblefield thanked the City for the great relationship they have with the Chamber. They are continuing to get new members both businesses and individuals. Mr. Elf and Miss Jingle Bells raised \$2500 this year. We have a new exhibit on display for December.

**P&Z CASES**

Mayor Moss opened the public hearing on Case #13-19 – Preliminary Plat of Wilderness Villa’s #2 – at 7:03 PM. Steve Lawver reported that P&Z heard this case on 12/9/13 and have recommended approval. It is a modification of their R-4 development owned by Stutesman Construction enlarging some lots. They are keeping the commons areas the same. They are just moving some lot lines. There was no one for or against this case. Mayor Moss closed the public hearing at 7:05 PM. Mark Powers motioned to approve the preliminary plat of Wilderness Villa’s #2 with the P&Z recommendations. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AUDIT AGREEMENT FROM MENSE, CHURCHWELL AND MENSE**

The council reviewed the proposed agreement. The City Clerk reported that the not to exceed went down this year. It was \$7850 last year and this year it is \$7500. Mark Powers motioned to approve the proposed agreement. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**ORDINANCES**

Mark Powers motioned to put “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE I. GOVERNMENT CODE: CHAPTER 115: OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, AND ARTICLE X. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 115.020 AND 115.500 TO CONFORM THE CITY CODE TO NEWLY ENACTED STATE STATUTORY RESTRICTIONS ON THE REMOVAL OF POLICE CHIEFS IN 4<sup>TH</sup> CLASS CITIES” on first reading by title only. Sean Haase seconded. Steve Lawver stated that this ordinance makes our city code match the Missouri Statutes that were recently passed. Mike Talley stated all appointed officials are governed by state statutes. This new law separates out the Police Chief and added a section regarding them only. He said that the state statute could be changed but for right now this is the way it reads. If the statute changes we will need to change ours again to match theirs. Mike Talley also stated that it was reviewed by the Human Resource Committee and they have recommended approval. Mark Powers motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Bob Cook seconded. There was no discussion. Steve Daniels motioned to put it on final passage. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Daniels-y, Powers-y, Haase-y, Cook-y, Smith-y, Spencer-y. Motion on Ordinance #13-59 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. Steve reported that we received the DNR construction permit for the sewer extension for JJ Hwy and we can now go out for bid. We have not received the construction permit for our WWTP expansion but DNR said that we can go out for bid on that project also.

Public Works report – had nothing new to report. It was stated that the snow has delayed our leaf pick up schedule.

Police Department report – reported that they had 210 kids for Shop with a Cop last Saturday. They will also be testing for a new dispatcher next week. They have had several applicants.

Building Inspector report – had nothing new to report.

Court report – had nothing new to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Budget/Finance – Mark Powers reported that our budget meetings will start Thursday 1/9/14. They will be every Thursday at 6:00 PM through 2/13/14. He also reviewed the monthly bank statements and everything looked fine.

Code/Nuisance –Don Marshall had nothing to report.

Human Resources – Steve Daniels reported that they will be having a closed session later this meeting.

Public Facilities & Planning – Tim Smith asked about the e-mail he received regarding the deposits on the rental fees for the Senior Center. Steve said that had been handled internally by the Agency for Aging and it has been resolved.

Senior Citizens - Richard Zaccardelli had nothing to report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Bob Cook reported that Bill Stansberry and he contacted Mercy Hospital about a Veterans’ Hospital in Joplin. He read the letter they had received back. He asked that the council contact our representatives to support this idea. They had suggested that the temporary Mercy Hospital in Joplin be used. He said that it would be good for our area to have this in Joplin instead of Springfield or Kansas City.

Bob Cook then brought up the topic of Joe Patterson Memorial Drive. He has talked to the school and Mr. Phil Cook has stated that they will be naming a bus barn after him. Phil Cook asked that they not rename Broadway but the road going into the bus barn. It was stated that was 5<sup>th</sup> Street. There was some discussion about this proposal. We would not have to rename the street just add the Joe Patterson Drive to it. The council agreed that this would be a good idea. Mr. Phil Cook said that they were going to do the bus barn dedication when the weather gets better.

Bob Cook then asked about 514 S Joplin Street. Steve reported that the neighbor is trying to buy that property and they are negotiating with them on a price.

Mr. Cook then said that 2 years ago he brought up the idea of annexing APD. Mike Talley said that we cannot annex another municipality. You can consolidate but not annex. He stated that this was approached years ago and it was rejected soundly by APD. We can limit any expansion by not providing extra utility service but we cannot annex them. The consolidation requires both governments to agree on it. Mayor Moss stated that this subject is not well received by APD. There was a lot of discussion of this topic.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Steve Lawver reported that we had received a proposal from AT&T to change our phone line package. After reviewing their proposal and comparing it to our current program, he estimates that we would save about \$1200/month plus get internet service to be used as a back up when Stouffer goes down. Mark Powers asked that we look at phone power also and we can go with whatever option we think is best. There was some discussion about AT&T and their rates.

**CLOSED SESSION PER RSMO 610.021 (3): HIRING, FIRING, DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES BY A PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHEN PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED.**

Mark Powers motioned to go into closed session per RsMO 610.021 (3): Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. Steve Daniels seconded. Council went into closed session at 7:43 PM.

Council came out of closed session at 7:55 PM.

Steve Lawver reported that during their closed session he researched power phone and he feels that will all of our lines and extensions it would be cheaper to go with the AT&T proposal. There was some minor discussion but the council agreed to go with the new proposal from AT&T.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sean Haase seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

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MAYOR