

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday August 20, 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 and Tim Smith. Aldermen Sean Haase and Roger Spencer were absent. Also present were City Clerk Maribeth Matney, City Administrator Steve Lawver and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Steve Lawver pointed out that we changed the agenda yesterday to add the tax levy public hearing. It was posted by the 24 hour requirement. Mark Powers motioned to approve the agenda. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Mark Powers motioned to approve the consent agenda. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Bill Stansberry, 8435 County Rd 290, addressed the council and stated that he has been approached by a party to buy the north part of his property. They would employ about 10-12 people. He wanted to get a time frame on the sewer. Steve will get with the engineer and get a time frame and get back to Mr. Stansberry. We can get started with the zoning right away and Steve stated he would get with him regarding the application.

CHAMBER REPORT

Gary Stubblefield reported that they are getting new members every month and he went over the rest of the year's itinerary for the Chamber. They have something lined up every month until the year end. In September they are having a Coal Bucket Art Display: in October it is the City Wide Rummage sale, Breast Cancer Awareness events, a fall block party featuring Titanic artifacts; in November they are displaying JFK items for the 50th anniversary date of his assassination, a 30 minute documentary, a CJ exhibit and they will also be hosting the Tri State Summit on November 15 for the surrounding chambers; in December they are having a window decorating contest, a resident decorating contest and the Christmas parade. Their next meeting will be 9/5/13.

PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX LEVY

Steve said that we need to set a special meeting for next week to meet the 7 day notice on the public hearing for the tax levy. He suggested 8/27/13 at 7:00 PM. We need at least 5 council in attendance. Mayor Moss opened the public hearing at 7:13 PM on the tax levy. Steve reported that we got the numbers back from the auditor and the levy will be the same as last year at \$.8861. It was held flat due to growth and the refinancing of the bond. Steve projected that the growth next year should be good also. He has been in discussion with a few developers. The council set the date to pass the ordinance on the tax levy for 8/27/13 at 7:00 PM. Mayor Moss closed the public hearing at 7:16 PM.

ORDINANCES

Mark Powers motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI AND THE JOPLIN HUMANE SOCIETY, INC., d/b/a ANIMAL ADOPTION & RESOURCE CENTER OF THE FOUR STATES, TO PROVIDE SHELTER, FOOD, CARE AND DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR SMALL ANIMALS BROUGHT TO THE CENTER BY CITY LAW ENFORCEMENT OR HEALTH OFFICIALS; PROVIDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI" on 1st reading by title only. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. Steve Lawver stated that they are raising our rates a little but not much. Chief Haase said we are keeping the cost down due to our keeping the animals longer and adopting them out. Mark Powers also pointed out that the Humane Society has to now pay a fee to the state. Mark Powers motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. There was no discussion. Steve Daniels motioned to put it on final passage. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Daniels-y, Powers-y, Haase-absent Cook-y, Smith-y, Spencer-absent. Motion on Ordinance #13-49 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 a lot of kids are using the skate park. Jimmy is putting a fence up as recommended by MIRMA. Bob Cook said that under age kids are smoking over there. Chief Haase said he would keep an eye on it. It was stated that it needs some supervision and putting a security camera up was suggested. Steve will check into it. Steve Daniels also thanked Steve Lawver for all of his hard work on the fiber optic project.

Public Works report – Jimmy reported that they fixed the curbing along Walton today. They are working on the lights and sidewalk on North Main Street. Bob Cook said that Jimmy does a fine job but stated that the weeds to the walking trail entrance are 3'-4' high. He also stated that Summit Street has a lot of potholes. Richard stated that BB Drive just has potholes to Hedge Drive. It is not a long distance. Jimmy said that we have had a lot of rain this year and the mowers have been busy. He is trying to let the Street fund build up and will look at paving in March or April as a spring project. He also may go to a 1" overlay instead of 2" and use a higher grade of asphalt. He knows that South Arlington, Main Street and Summit need work but other cities are facing the same problem.

Police Department report – had nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance – Mark Powers had nothing to report.
Code/Nuisance –Don Marshall had nothing to report.
Human Resources – Steve Daniels had nothing to report.
Public Facilities & Planning – Tim Smith had nothing to report.
Senior Citizens - Richard Zaccardelli had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Daniels said he has an issue with the pavilion that was discussed at the last meeting. He said that we can't verify how much is being paid for materials and that the workers are not being paid. He took an oath of office and does not want to be in violation of it. He will not be part of something that is violating the law. Mayor Moss said that we can ask for a materials list and cost. Jimmy is going to pour the pad. They are buying the concrete but his guys are doing the labor. Mark Powers stated that the council was told they are volunteering their time. Jimmy stated he has no problem in pouring the pad. Tim Smith said it will make a nice addition to the park. Tim Smith also said that we can check to make sure that all the labor is being volunteered. It is our property and we can ask the workers. It was the consensus of the council to proceed with the project. Mike Talley said that we need to do due diligence and verify that no wages are being paid and that is the best we can do.

Steve Lawver stated that Joplin is taking requests for the storm shelters. We are on the list but the 1st options are going to Duquesne and Joplin. It could cost around \$9000 to move them. Also the land that was for sale in Briarbrook has been sold to a couple to develop it. Steve has talked to them and they gave him a verbal commitment to give us an easement for our trail to connect our trails together. It was noted that it needs a lot of fill on the South side.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Moss reported that MSSU had a back to school part for the employee's that was held at the Briarbrook Country Club. Everyone had a good time and he thanked everyone for their hospitality. They are looking for a facility for Christmas but he does not know if Briarbrook would be big enough for that.

Steve Lawver reported to the council that Graham Briarbrook has 2 parcels that are still in their name. We have contacted him regarding the delinquent taxes on these properties and he is willing to sign them over to the City just to get rid of them. They adjoin our Lakeside Park and Steve asked the council if they were interested in the parcels. It is about ½ acre. It was the consensus of the council to proceed with that project.

Tim Smith recognized the Boy Scout in attendance of the council meeting and asked that he come up and introduce himself to the council. His name is Jaden and he is working on his Citizenship and Community badge.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR