

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday September 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Don Marshall, Carl Skaggs, Mark Powers, Steve Daniels, Sean Haase and Bob Cook. Alderman Dee Lynn Davey was absent. Also present were City Attorney Mike Talley, City Administrator Steve Lawver and City Clerk Maribeth Matney.

AGENDA

Carl Skaggs motioned to approve the agenda. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Carl Skaggs motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Megan Burton, 115 Miller addressed the council about the letter she received regarding her water meter. She is on a limited budget and cannot pay a \$500 water bill. The Mayor explained that this was addressed at the last meeting and we are getting a hold of the vendor. We have put these bills on hold until we can talk to them. We have advised the other residents to pay a regular amount until this is resolved.

P&Z CASES

Mayor Moss opened case #11-05, the update of the City's Comprehensive Plan. He opened the public hearing at 7:08 PM. Brian Ross from the HSTCC was here to go over it and answer any questions. They made some revisions on the draft copy. Steve reported that the P&Z approved it by passing a Resolution adopting it. There was no one at the public hearing to speak against it. Brian Ross apologized about the grammatical errors. It happened when it was converted to a different version of software. It was asked if we could get an electronic version also. Mayor Moss stated that the history is dated. Brian said that this was a snapshot of 6 months ago. Mayor Moss closed the public hearing at 7:15PM. There is no action needed by the council unless they just want to motion to accept it. Richard Zaccardelli motioned to endorse the resolution adopting the newly revised Comprehensive Plan. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE 2012 CJ SENIORS II PROJECT

Council then read over the Resolution of Support for the 2012 CJ Seniors II Project. Mike Williams from the HSTCC was present to answer any questions. He reported that this is for the senior duplexes they plan to build in Deerfield Estates Plat #2 along Elliott Drive. There will be 6 houses and 3 duplex units. Mark Powers motioned to adopt the Resolution of Support for the 2012 CJ Seniors II Project. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

REPORTS

The council reviewed the Administration report. Steve reported that MoDot has approved the sidewalk plan and the bid opening will be in late October. It has been advertised in Webb City Sentinel and the Jasper County Citizen.

Public Works Department report – had nothing to add to the report.

Police Department report – had nothing to add to the report.

Court report – had nothing to add to the report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Code/Nuisance Committee met and there are some revisions in the zoning chapter that are needed. There was also some discussion on driver license violations and that it needed a separate ordinance to be adopted. Chief Haase will get with Mike Talley on that.

The Budget/Finance Committee had nothing to report.

The Human Resource Committee had nothing to report.

The Public Facilities & Planning will be meeting Friday at 10:00 AM with SAPP Designs on the conceptual plans of the expansion of the building.

The Senior Citizen Committee had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bob Cook asked about the high water bills. He does not think we should try to collect. He compared it to going to the gas station and getting gas and then having someone try to collect more money after they filled up. Mayor Moss reported that we talked to Sensus at the MML meeting and told them that it was an integrity issue. The Regional Manager said he could give us a discount on our next order of 10%. He asked that Steve follow up with him and they have been playing phone tag. Mark Powers stated that the people should pay for the water they used. If we waive it for one, we have to waive it for all, even the meters that we had switched in the boxes. It is the same thing. We know how much water they used. The meter was not faulty but was coded incorrectly. You can't play favorites. Steve pointed out that it would go against the previous decision of the council that they should pay for the water they used. Mark said we can't be selective. There was discussion about the meters in general and how they worked. Jimmy displayed a meter for the council. Mike Talley said that our creditability might be hurt in front of a jury since we sent bills for one amount and now they say they owed a different amount. There was more discussion about this being a shipping problem and that it comes from the Sensus warehouse to us. Mark Powers asked for a list of all the water meters that had bad readings due to the coding error. There was also discussion about the cost to defend ourselves if we have to. Mike Talley said we have a reasonable case. Carl said we need to find a resolution to this now and not 6 months from now. Mike Talley said he would revisit the issues. Mark Powers

would like a list with the dollar amount involved. Richard suggested we try to find out more about their quality control. Steve is researching that.

Mike Talley stated he would not be here at the next council meeting.

Mark Powers reported that he had received another proposal regarding our health insurance that looks favorable and would like to schedule a meeting for 9/30/10 at 2:00 PM with the Human Resource Committee and the Budget/Finance Committee.

Richard suggested to Steve that he find a catalog of products from Sensus and look at it. We need to find out what associations they are affiliated with.

Chief Haase said that the new PD cars should be here Friday. He also attended a LEST board meeting and gave one of the computers back that we had a grant for since they were short on money and we could do without it.

NEW BUSINESS

Richard Zaccardelli reported that a meeting he attended at the MML Conference talked about the new mandates. He said that for 20 years they could not issue any new mandates due to the president's in the White House. Now that Obama is President he has given them the go ahead and that is why we are being hit so hard with all these new mandates. Jimmy reported that we are hosting a class that DNR is putting on that will address changes and revisions that public drinking water systems need to be aware of. It is 10/12/11 from 8 AM to 4:30 PM. It was also reported that the pool is now hooked into the sewer system for when we drain it so we will no longer need a discharge permit from DNR. There was more discussion regarding these regulations.

Mark Powers pointed out the letter the council received regarding fluoridation. Steve Lawver will research it. We will look at the ballot language. It was stated that it was put in by ordinance and it would not need a vote of the people to repeal the ordinance.

Bob Cook asked about the Blue Grass Festival and what it cost the City. We have expenses of \$4430 in our disbursements. It was reported that we do budget money to put it on but we also get money back to offset it.

Jim Chaligoj reported that #2 well should be up and running tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR