

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday December 21, 2010 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Michael Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Don Marshall, Carl Skaggs, Mark Powers, Steve Daniels and, Dee Lynn Davey. Aldermen Walter Hayes and Wayne Smith were absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley and City Clerk Maribeth Matney.

AGENDA

Steve Lawver asked that item 9(b) be struck from the agenda. Mike Talley will brief the council later in the meeting. Mark Powers motioned to amend the agenda and approve as amended. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed Carl Skaggs motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Moss called twice for public forum and no one came forward.

CHAMBER REPORT

Gary Stubblefield then gave a report to the council on the Chamber's activities on the 2nd half of the year.

P&Z CASES

Mayor Moss opened the public hearing on Case #10-10 – Special Keeping Permit - Karla Paxson – 210 N Grimes at 7:10 PM. Mr. Paxson stated that his daughter-in-law had to move and they will not let her keep her dog where she moved. They are asking to be able to keep the dog for their daughter-in-law. P&Z recommended approval. David Wehmeyer reviewed the case and is also recommending approval. Mark Powers motioned to approve the request. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Public hearing closed at 7:16 PM.

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL

Steve reported that we had met with the employee's and they picked 2 out of the 5 plans that were proposed. They have started filling out election forms for the insurance company. Mark Powers stated that the Budget and Finance Committee looked at it and they decided that the City would pay so much of the premium and the employee's could decide on the programs since they had to pay the difference. Steve stated that the base plan is the same as last year and the buy up plan was raised to a \$1500 deductible and 100% after that was met. Don Marshall motioned to approve those plans. Dee Lynn Davey seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

ORDINANCES

The council then considered the ordinance rezoning land North of the CJ High School from UD to R-2 and C-2. Mark Powers motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI, BY ORDINANCE NO. 99-10 ON THE 18TH DAY OF MAY, 1999, AS AMENDED, TO REZONE UNDEVELOPED LAND NORTH OF THE CARL JUNCTION HIGH SCHOOL CARL JUNCTION, JASPER COUNTY, MISSOURI OWNED BY REDWOOD DEVELOPMENT, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE, FROM UD TO C-2 AND R-2" on first reading by title only. Carl Skaggs seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. Steve Lawver stated that they plan on building 14 duplexes for Senior Housing. Carl Skaggs motioned to put it on second reading by title only with a roll call vote. Carl Skaggs seconded. Mayor Moss asked for discussion. There was no discussion. Mark Powers motioned for passage of the ordinance. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Skaggs-y, Powers-y, Daniels-y, Davey-y, Hayes-absent, W Smith-absent. Motion on Ordinance #10-47 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. They asked about the ponds on the 95 acres. Steve made preliminary contact with the Mo Conservation Department about stocking the ponds and managing them. They will also train us if needed. Mark asked about item #3. Steve said he has talked to Verizon and Mediacom regarding the project. He has not heard back from the USDA about a grant.

Public Works report – there was nothing to add to the report. The council said they had good reports on the leaf pick up.

Police Department report – stated that they had 239 kids for Shop With A Cop. They split it into 2 Saturday's. They had 120 volunteers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Nuisance Committee had nothing to report.

The Long Range Planning Committee had nothing to report.

The Budget/Finance Committee had nothing to report.

The Human Resource Committee said that we need to have a closed session the next meeting for the City Administrator's evaluation.

The Public Facilities Committee had nothing to report.

The Code Review Committee had nothing to report.

The Senior Citizen Committee asked for a copy of the invoice for the sound system so they can give us the money. Chief Haase said that he has researched the electronic leashes and he would like to allow them in parks. He would like to meet with the Code Review Committee regarding this code.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Moss pointed out the letter from DNR stating that we are not in violation of our WWTP permit.

Mike Talley then reported that he is still working with the Bank on the loan documents. He has talked to their attorney and he had doubts that it could be worded like a lease finance agreement. He suggested a 90 day note but Mike Talley did not like that scenario. There was also discussion about the property taxes for 2010 and that we need to close by the end of the year to avoid them having to be paid. There was a lot of discussion regarding the financing. The council said that if CBT cannot do it we need to go to the 2nd bidder SMB. Mike Talley said that we cannot obligate the City past the fiscal year until the new payments are budgeted. He suggested we put some money up front to show good faith. The council said that we could do that. An amount of \$50,000 was suggested. Mike Talley will continue to work on this and we will contact SMB also.

Richard Zaccardelli suggested that we put Shop Carl Junction on our water bills.

Chief Haase asked when the Code Review Committee would like to meet. It was suggested that they meet at 6:00 PM before the 1/4/11 meeting.

Steve Lawver reported that he put the RFQ out for the new sidewalk grant.

NEW BUSINESS

Don Marshall asked if the walking trail will connect to the 95 acres. It was responded that the cart paths would be used for walking trails and Steve said it would help fulfill the regional walking trail plan to connect to Joplin.

It was stated that we will need to fix the rail on the bridge if we get the 95 acres.

The City Clerk stated that we will be meeting with the auditor to go over his recommendations.

Chief Haase reported that Commander Ron Shaw is retiring 12/31/10. He would like to recognize him at our next meeting. He is Carl Junction's longest serving officer on record.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR