

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday March 20, 2007 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Barbara Evans, Carl Skaggs, Mark Powers, Dee Lynn Davey and Wayne Smith. Aldermen Pat Smith and Walter Hayes were absent. Also present were City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Carl Skaggs motioned to approve the agenda. Dee Lynn Davey seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Carl Skaggs then motioned to approve the consent agenda. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Reverend Harold Boyd, 206 N Main Street, addressed the council. He stated his appreciation to Jim Whisenant for approving the inspections being done on his building. He stated that our goals are the same and that is to make Carl Junction a better place to live. He wants to have his church finished as soon as possible but can't give a definite date. They are struggling now. He did say that as far as zoning requirements go, he is requesting that he be treated like everyone else. There are other places around his that have zoning issues and he is asking to be treated fairly. He appreciates the council's consideration on this.

APPOINT BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEMBER

Mayor Moss introduced Cameron Pulliam to the council and stated that he would like to appoint Mr. Pulliam to replace Lisa Knutzen. Mr. Pulliam stated he is retired and has lived in Carl Junction for 5 years and would like to give back to the community. Richard Zaccardelli motioned to approve the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Pulliam. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

APPOINT P&Z MEMBER

Mayor Moss introduced David Boren to the council and stated that he would like to appoint Mr. Boren to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Mr. Boren stated he has lived in the Carl Junction area for 4 years. His wife is a school teacher and he works for Empire District Electric. Dee Lynn Davey motioned to approve the Mayor's appointment of Mr. Boren. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

BOB WENTWORTH - BYAA

Bob went over a list of items that the BYAA is trying to accomplish and they need the City's help on some of it. He also talked about the installing of switches for the lights. They do have certified electricians within the association but they feel it is too risky for a volunteer to do. The parts alone are over \$7000. The security lighting should be a minimal amount the fixtures need replaced, the storage building will be a new building, they have volunteers to build the building, they do have some money to put in new handicapped parking and they are looking at purchasing a tractor and mower. 1/3 of the building will be football storage. They have also estimated that they are 6 handicapped parking spaces short. The senior baseball field needs netting, but they are doing the other 2 fields. They have had equipment donated by area businesses. They are asking that a barrier be put between the t-ball field/soccer fields and the drop off to the river. Items 2-6 they are doing with volunteer labor. They are asking the city for funds to help pay for materials. Empire has also been storing stub parts of poles for them to put in the ground and run cable through to prevent people from driving on the fields. They have laid out 7 new soccer fields. They have approval from the Corp of Engineering and Kurt Higgins has filled out a land disturbance permit application. They will start west of the existing soccer fields. They will have 3 full size and 5 additional fields. Richard Zaccardelli asked if they have approached the Lion's Club and Chamber. Bob state no but that he would like to talk to them and the Booster Club.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF RFP ON NEW WEBSITE

The council reviewed the Request for Proposal on our new website. Jim Whisenant, City Administrator, reported that we have seen a need for a user friendly website. We estimate it will take \$2500-\$3000 to revamp our website. They can customize it for our City. We are trying to incorporate on line bill pay with a link and credit card payment by a link. We want it to be interactive with a bulletin board. We want to try to work with a group to add more items as we grow. Mike Talley stated that the RFP is excellent. It was stated that people are using the internet more and more to relocate to a new area. It was the consensus of the council to advertise the RFP.

REPORTS

City Administrator went over his report. On page 2, item #5 regarding the Residential Care Facility on Fir Road, Jim is going to continue to work with the owners to resolve the sidewalk issues. Richard Zaccardelli asked about speed limit signs. Delmar reported that all but 1 car was less than 30 MPH and that 1 car was 33 MPH. The average was low 20's MPH. Jim Whisenant also stated that MIRMA does not like for us to put up signs other than traffic signs. It increases our liability. Chief Haase stated he will do a study. On #7 we are awaiting approval from MoDot on our contract. #11, Jim met with the school to talk about their long range plans for transportation. They also discussed storm water issues. We have concerns about making Keeney a 1 way street as requested. On page 4, #2, they are moving forward and they addressed the storm water issues (see memo). Jim is requesting that we extend the building permit another 180 days. There was no objection to the extension. #4, we have received a new housing development, Prairie Breeze, that will be going in front of P&Z 3/26/07. It is the preliminary plat for Mr. & Mrs. Brown. On #5, Richard Zaccardelli stated we should name the trail, Zac's Trail. On Page 5, #2, Allied Waste could not be here tonight for our meeting. They are continuing to do work in the background on this request. They are continuing to operate under our old contract. #3, we met with the local ministerial

alliance to develop a local disaster plan. It is the first step of Carl Junction taking care of its own. We will try to get grant money to help out with our needs (such as temporary housing). We are also working county wide.

Richard Zaccardelli asked about compost since there are no land fills for yard waste. Jim Whisenant reported that currently we are composting leaves only. We will need to revisit our composting program due to new regulations. We can apply for grants to purchase equipment. It is becoming a big item now.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Nuisance Committee had nothing to report.

The Public Facilities Committee had nothing to report.

The Park/Pool Committee had nothing to report.

The Code Review Committee had nothing to report.

The Human Resources Committee reported they had met but had nothing to report.

The Budget/Finance Committee reported they had met at 6:00 PM. They will try to have a rough draft by next meeting for the council. After some discussion it was decided to meet again Friday morning 9:00 AM 3/23/07.

The Citizen's For Better Life Committee reported they had met with the senior's last Thursday with the City Administrator and Steve Lawver. They will meet with the City Attorney on 10:00 AM Thursday 3/22/07 at the Center.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Lawver reported that the Task Force Committee's are now starting to work.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Moss reported that we had received a letter from Mediacom about a \$2/month rate increase.

Jim Whisenant reported that the 125th Anniversary committee is putting together events for the upcoming year. We are having an Easter Egg hung 4/7/07, a tractor rodeo 4/28/07, our Carl Junction night at Springfield Minor League Baseball on 6/19/07, following that is our vintage baseball tournament (8 teams) and they will be playing by the 1864 rules. There will be a carnival for kids, car show and a BBQ contest with fireworks at night put on by our local fire department. The event will be held at the High School baseball fields.

ADJOURNMENT

Carl Skaggs motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dee Lynn Davey seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR