

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 7, 2006 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, Pat Smith, Dee Lynn Davey, Walter Hayes and Wayne Smith. Also present was City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

### **AGENDA**

Pat Smith motioned to approve the agenda. Walter Hayes seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Carl Skaggs motioned to approve the consent agenda. Pat Smith seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no one present for public forum.

### **APPOINT DARREN BAKER TO P&Z**

Mayor Moss stated that he would like to appoint Darren Baker, 205 N Broadway to the P&Z Commission. He has agreed to serve. Pat Smith motioned to approve the Mayor's appointment. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

### **DNR-STORMWATER PHASE II REQUIREMENTS**

Ruth Wallace from DNR addressed the council about upcoming requirements for the City to comply with DNR's Storm water Phase II. She explained the background of the program and went over the overview of Storm water Phase II. We are included in the Joplin's metro area and that is why we have to comply with some of the requirements. We had to apply by 2003 and pay a \$150 fee. There are 6 control measures that we have to abide by and she has provided us with fact sheets about each of the 6 control measures. Our permit is good for 5 years and expires in 2009. We have only 1 year left to build the program. She is here to tell us what we need to do now. It was asked whether we can charge a storm water fee. Ms. Wallace stated that it was a Federal mandate but it was also unfunded. We can also get low interest loans for our storm water requirements. She said that we need enabling statutes and they hope to have that by in January. She said that there are different matrixes out there for user fees for storm water. It is a valid utility fee item. The council thanked Ms. Wallace for coming down to share this information with them.

### **P&Z CASES**

Next the council reviewed Case #06-14 – dedicating of North Main Street. The P&Z met tonight and recommended that we approve this dedication.

### **ORDINANCES**

The council reviewed the ordinance dedicating North Main Street. Walter Hayes motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE DEDICATING PROPERTY AS ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING MAIN STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI, BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT EIGHTY (80) IN CARL JUNCTION ORIGINAL, CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, JASPER COUNTY, MISSOURI, CONTAINING 0.49 ACRES (21,355.5 SQ. FEET), MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO RECORD AND PERFECT SAID DEDICATION" on first reading by title only. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Pat Smith motioned to put it on second reading by title only with a roll call vote. Carl Skaggs seconded. Zaccardelli-y, Evans-y, Skaggs-y, Powers-y, P Smith-y, Davey-y, Hayes-y, W Smith-y. Motion on Ordinance #06-43 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**

City Administrator, Jim Whisenant, pointed out to the council #2 in his miscellaneous items regarding the Public Forum at the Butchers Block for developers and contractors. He is very excited about this opportunity. Everything else is covered in his report.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Nuisance Committee will meet again on 11/21/06 at 6:00 PM.

The Budget/Finance Committee had nothing to report.

The Code Review Committee reported they met tonight and reviewed the draft on fences and has asked the City Attorney to draw up an ordinance to adopt that language.

The Public Facilities Committee reported they do not have all their street lighting surveys back yet. The council needs to note all request for street lighting even if it will need trenching.

The Park/Pool Committee had nothing to report.

The Human Resources Committee had nothing to report.

### **DISCUSSION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

City Administrator, Jim Whisenant, stated that he had provided the council with a memo and a proposal. He would like to take advantage of an opportunity to employ Steve Lawver full time and expand his duties to include Community Development. We have spoken with our auditor and we can allocate his expenses between the 4 main funds. He then went through his proposal with the council. The 1<sup>st</sup> page will be expenses to finish out our current fiscal year, the 2<sup>nd</sup> page is a full years expenses and the 3<sup>rd</sup> page is other expenses to consider and will be addressed later to the council. We try to operate as frugally as possible and he is asking the council's

approve of this proposal. It is reestablishing a former position and expanding the duties. Wayne Smith asked why we had \$35000 budgeted, Jim explained that part of that is going to supplement the extra duties the City Clerk has taken on. Dee Lynn stated that Steve has a lot of experience and thinks it is great that we can hire him for \$30,000 annually. Mark Powers agreed. Dee Lynn Davey motioned to approve the change and have the proper ordinances drawn up to amend the budget for the hiring of Steve Lawver. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Richard Zaccardelli stated we need to continue pursuing the bridge across Center Creek. When Fir Road gets blocked there is no way to access Hwy 171 unless you go west and then back east. We need to look for a grant to help us with this project. Mayor Moss stated that we might have opened up some peoples minds on the transportation needs we have here in Carl Junction. Jim Whisenant informed the council that we have discussed with the developer to reserve land for the bridge and he is receptive to that idea. Mayor Moss suggested we push the legislators and senators for assistance with this issue. Walter pointed out that we will also have to widen Hodge Street when this happens. Some of this we can be working on now.

Mark Powers asked about the striping of Briarbrook Drive. Jim Chaligoj said that they are about 2 weeks away from doing that project. He will follow up tomorrow.

Jim Whisenant reminded the council about getting the street lighting packets back so that they can review them with the Chief.

Pat Smith would like for the City Administrator to contact MoDot about a traffic light at the high school. Kurt Higgins, from the audience, responded that MoDot said there were not enough accidents for one. Pat felt that since there are more houses in the area now they might need to relook at it.

Wayne Smith asked if we had a progress report on the property at 101 Verbryck. It was reported that they shot grades and can take the ditch down the RR side.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Wayne Smith then asked if we could address the sign issues by Deem's. He said that when they put signs up at the curve you can not see oncoming traffic. It is a real hazard. The temporary signs are getting a lot of complaints. Jim said he would make a request to the property owner. Walter said if it is obstructing the view we can call MoDot and they will take care of it.

Jim Whisenant handed out copies of an e-mail from Kurt Higgins regarding the retention pond at Deerfield estates. Kurt will follow up on it. Mr. Whisenant then mentioned that Steve Frederickson has requested permission to drill a well to water his crops. Jim has talked to DNR, our engineering firm and other cities. 2 of the cities chose not to regulate this process. They also do not own their own water supply system. Webb City does regulate it due to issues with contamination. It was stated that we could make an exception for certain circumstances. Kurt stated it would not affect the rate structure and is not an issue as long as it is a shallow well. We need to specify so it can't cross contaminate. Jim wants to work with our engineer to develop an exception for agriculture purposes. There is assistance for Steve Frederickson to do this and he would still need to get a permit from DNR. Jim will try to have it ready by the next meeting.

Mayor Moss pointed out the letter from Mediacom regarding the changing of channels. He also commented on the letter regarding the fund raising event for Kara Richardson.

Barbara Evans stated she had received a call from Jerelyn Jackson regarding her water bill. She will come into City Hall to discuss it next week.

Richard Zaccardelli asked when the leaf pick up schedule will be out. We need to publish it. The City Administrator reported that our machine can't take brush or rocks. Richard also reported that the Senior Citizen Group is interested in talking to the City about their building. They are trying to find out if they are a 501C3. They need to know that before they do anything.

Jimmy Chaligoj reported that he is going to start replacing manholes and trying to rehabilitate some of the older sewer lines. The sludge company finally got their equipment set up. He may also have to dig up some sewer line on Par Lane and replace it if he continues to have problems with it. He emphasized that residents need to call the city before they call a plumber to see if it is our main line so that they don't incur the expense of a plumber unnecessarily. Jimmy reported that he can replace 35 manholes for \$100,000 and also reline 4000' of sewer line. DNR has told us we need to address our infiltration problems and this will be a start. He has called other towns that have done this and they reported it worked well for them. Dee Lynn reported that on Rocky Lane there is a drop off to the manhole lid. Jimmy said he would look at it. The last item he had to report was that he has been looking at a crack sealing machine. It uses rubber and expands with the pavement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Barbara Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting. Carl Skaggs seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

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MAYOR