

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday April 19, 2016 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Bob Cook, Don Marshall, Richard Zaccardelli, Mark Powers, Tim Smith, Roger Spencer, Wayne Smith and LaDonna Allen. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Mark Powers motioned to approve the agenda. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Mark Powers motioned to approve the consent agenda. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one for public forum.

ORDINANCES

Mark Powers motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL FUND, POLICE DEPARTMENT, WWTP FUND, PARK & POOL FUND, GO BOND FUND, SURPLUS FUND AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016" on first reading by title only. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. Mark stated that we can't budget perfectly and we have to do this at the end of the year. Bob Cook said he appreciated all the work Mark did. Mark Powers motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Bob Cook seconded. There was no discussion. Mark Powers motioned to put it on final passage. Bob Cook seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Cook-y, Marshall-y, Zaccardelli-y, Powers-y, T Smith-y, Spencer-y W Smith-y, Allen-y. Motion on Ordinance #16-16 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. There was nothing to add.

Public Works report – Jimmy stated that they still have work to do on West Briarbrook Lane. The leak we had was on Hedge Drive. Steve explained that when the pressure drops below a certain pressure in the main we are to put out voluntary boil orders. We received the lab results back and the water is good and the voluntary boil order has been lifted.

Police report – They have their speed monitoring trailer now. Bob Cook said they are still having problems with the dogs on Summit barking. He asked about the dog breed specific legislation. It was replied that it is not through Senate yet. There was discussion about how this law is just one more example of how the state is trying to run local governments. Bob said it was ridiculous.

Building Inspector report – had nothing to add.

Court report – had nothing to add.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance - Mark Powers stated he reviewed the bank statements and everything looked good.

Code/Nuisance –Don Marshall had nothing to report.

Human Resources – Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities & Planning – Tim Smith had nothing to report.

Senior Citizens - Richard Zaccardelli had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bob Cook asked if Airport Drive have put in the flow meters yet. We have had a lot of rain. Steve reported that the engineer has sent a letter laying out the new standards that have to be met and has built into the agreement that they have to work on their I&I issue. He also stated that the rate will be increased and we will increase their flow cap. Bob just wants to make sure they are paying their fair share. Steve stated that we billed them for their excess flow and they have paid it. He also pointed out that we have a flow meter on the main line down Hwy 171 but the other main does not have one. It has about 30 homes on it. Richard Zaccardelli asked if DNR has a city advocate we can talk to. Steve said no. It was stated that APD needs some accountability. Steve stated that we have not had a fine since the one 10 years ago, but APD does need to work on their I&I and get their lines fixed.

Mark Powers said that he felt we set a bad precedent at the last meeting and he wishes now he had not voted yes on it. He said we need to have a policy on naming our buildings. It was tragic but what about when the next person dies, where do you stop. We need to think about these things and not name our facilities in the spur of the moment.

Mayor Moss thanked Tim Smith for his service to the City and presented him with an award.

LaDonna Allen said that she has been getting phone calls about the City hiring a Parks and Recreation Director. She said there seems to be public support for it and these residents have raised concerns about BYAA. Mayor Moss said he has received some phone calls along the same lines. LaDonna thinks we need to discuss this further. We need a dynamic person to take it and we would still need volunteers. This person would manage the volunteers and over see it. The parents she talked to said that they would still volunteer but just had some issues with BYAA.

Steve Lawver then stated that Maribeth and he have discussed what guidelines for payment extensions that might be considered. We only came up with 2: a major water leak that would allow us to do a sewer adjustment and a payment plan for the balance if it is a very large amount due and a catastrophic health issue that a person with no family to help them and was in the

hospital and was unable to pay on time. Steve said that the new notices went out. We sent 534 notices for a \$38000 past due in water bills. The council discussed that was a lot of money. This will be an education process. There was discussion about if a person's pay period did not fall right and the fixed income people that their checks do not come in until after the deadline date. There was also discussion about whether we should have a grace period for people who are not normally on the shut off list. One council asked if we were going to require an additional deposit if a resident's service gets shut off for non-payment. The City Clerk said that had not been discussed but knows other towns do have that procedure. Mike Talley reminded the council that they have to approve the guidelines that will be set. Mark Powers motioned to approve the 2 guidelines suggested by the City Administrator and City Clerk; that there had been a major leak or a catastrophic health issue. LaDonna seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

APPROVED CERTIFIED ELECTION RESULTS

Don Marshall motioned to approve the certified election results. Bob Cook seconded. All in favor. No opposed

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SWEAR IN NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

The City Clerk then swore in the newly elected officials; Don Marshall, Mark Powers, Roger Spencer and Mike Burns.

ELECT MAYOR PRO-TEM AND ASSIGN COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Richard Zaccardelli nominated Mark Powers for Mayor Pro-Tem. Roger Spencer motioned that nominations cease. La Donna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed. The vote for Mark Powers was unanimous (8-0).

NEW BUSINESS

Richard Zaccardelli asked about the repairs on Hwy 171 next year and if MODOT will help with improving side roads that will be used as detours, such as Fir Road. Steve said that the official detour will be Hwy 96 to Hwy 43. It was discussed that the side roads will get a lot of traffic but MODOT will not help with them.

Roger Spencer mentioned that there is a street light on Schimm Circle out.

LaDonna said we need to look at adding lights to the pavilions at Memorial Park and Four Oaks Park. She also looked at the language on the dog legislation. She wondered how it will affect us and will be we be grandfathered in? Steve said we would have to remove it from our code. Mayor Moss said we have a vicious dog ordinance on the books also.

Steve said that he went to a meeting Monday and JATSO has awarded us a \$350,000 grant for the next phase of our sidewalk project. This will kick in when this phase of our project with MODOT is done and we should be finishing the JATSO project about the time the next round of MODOT money becomes available.

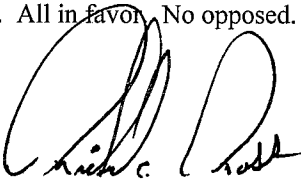
Steve then brought to the council's attention Dean Willis sewer "Appendix A" for new sewer rates. There was a slight increase in the base 1000 gallons but he lowered the per 1000 gallons thereafter. It will make about a \$.75 difference on the monthly sewer charge per resident. We have also provided this information to APD. If the council is OK with the figures we will get an ordinance for the next meeting. Steve also put together a water rate analysis. We are doing better on our water loss. It is about 8%. If we go with these rates it will be about a \$1.00 difference in an average monthly water bill. Mark Powers asked if we could send out an e-mail stating what the old rates were and what the rates we are proposing to go to. Bob Cook asked about our water loss. Steve said we flush lines and leaks in the mains account for that. Everything in the city is metered except for fire hydrants. LaDonna asked if we had a match on the grant we received. Steve replied 20%.

Chief Haase reported he is going to a SEMA meeting Wednesday – Friday.

ADJOURNMENT

Roger Spencer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR