

Minutes Of The Meeting Of The City Council
City of Carthage, Missouri
January 8, 2019

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Dan Rife presiding. Fire Chief Roger Williams gave the invocation and Police Chief Greg Dagnan led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Brady Beckham, Kirby Newport, James Harrison, Juan Topete, David Armstrong, Ceri Otero, Alan Snow and Darren Collier. Council Member Mike Daugherty was absent. City Administrator Tom Short and City Attorney Nate Dally were present.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Greg Dagnan, Fire Chief Roger Williams, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks Director Alan Bull and City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2018 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beckham, to amend the agenda and advance item number 17, Mayor's Appointments, before item number 6, Presentations/Proclamations. Motion carried.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve the appointment of Raymond West as Council Member to Ward 2. Motion passed. The Oath of Office was administered to Mr. West by City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harris, to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Jack Crusa to the Hospital Board until January 2023. Motion carried.

During Citizens Participation Period: Steve Willis, President of the Carthage Convention and Visitors Bureau, was present to give an update on the status of the Wayfinding Sign Project. Deborah Bell, Carthage Humane Society, informed the Council of a new medical suite being constructed, the Finding Rover Project, and introduced two new TNR coordinators, Vanessa Hudson and Kelly Dodge.

Mr. Collier reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for January 14.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approved the claims. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beckham to approve Mercy Health Screenings to provide the CBC, CMP and TSH package for the Employee Health Fair. The next meeting of the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims will be held on January 22 at 5:00 pm to allow ample time for the audit presentation.

Mr. Harrison reported the Public Safety Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for January 21.

Mr. Beckham reported the Public Services Committee met December 27. The committee approved utilizing the services of Govoffice to upgrade the city website with the Superforms and translation features. This is being presented in C.B. 19-01. The lease for the skating rink was approved and is being presented in C.B. 19-02. The next meeting of the Public Services Committee has been changed to January 17 at 6:00 PM.

Ms. Otero reported the Public Works Committee meeting scheduled for January 3 was cancelled due to a lack of quorum.

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Topete for the Kellogg Lake Board and Carthage Tree Board, Mr. Collier for the Police and Fire Pension Committee and the Carthage Water & Electric Board, Mr. Snow for the Library Board and Ms. Otero for the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council and Carthage Humane Society.

During Council Member reports, Ms. Otero addressed the Parks Director position, Mr. Snow congratulated the Carthage Fire Department for receiving the Knock Your Socks Off award from the Chamber, and Mr. West thanked the Mayor and Council for his appointment and stated he was looking forward to working with everyone.

Police Chief Greg Dagnan thanked the community for their support of the annual Christmas Party.

Fire Chief Roger Williams gave an update on construction of Fire Station #2.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: CEDC meetings, an MML Webinar, a meeting with the Parks Director regarding Civic Enhancement projects, a Region M teleconference, a Vision Carthage meeting, attendance at the ribbon cutting for MLB Senior Living, the Peachtree CID termination process, a meeting with the City Clerk and City Attorney to discuss a possible clemency day for the court, meetings to discuss the webpage upgrade, a Public Policy meeting, a MoDOT meeting to discuss the TAP Grant, and gave an update on sales tax revenues.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$1,862,264.44 against the following funds: General Revenue \$106,479.59, Public Health \$126,102.63, Parks Stormwater \$52,697.68, Golf Course \$2,588.99, Lodging \$8,500.00, Parks & Recreation \$1,090.31, Judicial Education \$236.68, Library \$35,515.11, Fire Protection \$3,000.00, Capital Improvements \$2,869.13, and Payroll \$523,184.32. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under old business, C.B. 18-43- an Ordinance amending the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, for fiscal years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-01.

C.B. 18-44- an Ordinance authorizing imposing a Court Automation Fee on municipal cases in order to assist in payment therefore was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-02.

Under new business, C.B. 19-01- an Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Service & License Agreement for deployment of a website for the City of Carthage, Missouri with GovOffice, LLC, 2112 Broadway Street NE, Suite 250, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55413 was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 19-02- An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Lease Agreement with Pam Graff in the amount of \$3,600.00 for continued use of the pavilion in Municipal Park as a skating rink for a one year lease term was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 19-03- An Ordinance amending Section 21-144 of the Code of Carthage by adding a new sub-section (7) was placed on first reading with no action taken.

During closing remarks, Mr. Armstrong congratulated Cody Smith on this position as the Chair of the Budget Committee for the House and Ms. Otero welcomed Mr. West to the Council.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to close the meeting according to Section 610.021 (2) the Agenda includes the possibility of a vote to close part of the meeting to discuss leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor. Motion carried unanimously at 7:16 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. West, to return to the regular session of the Council Meeting at 7:52 PM followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and no nays. Motion carried.

Mr. Beckham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to adjourn the regular session of the Council meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.