

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI
January 28, 2020

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 P.M. 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: James Harrison, Ray West, David Armstrong, Ceri Otero, Darren Collier, Kirby Newport and Ed Barlow. Council Members Juan Topete, Mike Daugherty, and Alan Snow were 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 & Recreation Director Mark Peterson and City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2020 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dan Rife read a proclamation declaring February as the Career and Technical Education (CTE) month.

During Citizen's Participation Period: Abi Almandinger, Executive Director for Vision Carthage, encouraged Council and staff to submit an application for the HGTV Hometown Takeover contest. Spencer Lyons, 1507 James, spoke against the Pit Bull Ban, also known as Breed Specific Ban, and gave ideas for a compromise including having the animals chipped and leash laws. Jessica Adams representing Checkett and Pauley discussed support for the annexation and the Schreiber Foods project. She requested Mayor Rife not sign CB 19-50, if approved, until the real estate transaction is complete or veto the Council Bill if necessary.

Mr. Collier reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for February 10.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approved the claims.

Mr. Harrison reported the Public Safety Committee met on January 27. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the closure of 7th Street between Garrison & Lyon and Lyon between 7th Street and Chestnut for Food Truck Friday on April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14 and September 11 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Motion carried. A group was present to discuss repealing the pit bull ban in the City of Carthage, but no action was taken. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve closure of the 800 block of Main Street between Chestnut & 9th Street and 9th Street between Main Street & Lyon from 7am to 3pm and also Chestnut between Main & Lyon from 12pm to 3pm and allow vehicles to back into parking spaces

on Chestnut in the closed areas. In the event of inclement weather, the street closures would be the 800 block of Main between the main building & the Lighthouse building from 6:00am to 3:00pm, 9th Street between Main & Lyon from 6:00am to 3:00pm. In addition, Chestnut Street between Lyon & Main from noon to 3:00pm. The community event is 7:30am to 3:00pm. The CPD will also provide barricades for the event. Motion carried. The committee approved a donation of \$10,000 that will be used for unbudgeted items. It is being presented in Resolution 1894. The committee approved a contract with Morris Strom to provide preventative maintenance to the Nexedge Radio System and its components at a rate of \$1,500 per month and also declared a 2016 Ford Utility police car valued at \$300 as surplus and approved to sign it over to Carthage R9 for use by the Tech Center Law Enforcement Program. These items will be brought to the February 11 Council Meeting for approval.

Mr. Harrison reported the Public Services Committee met on January 21. The committee discussed findings from Waters Edge Aquatic Design and how to move forward with the project. The committee decided to provide the data to the Master Plan consultants to incorporate the feasibility study into the master plan process and negotiate with consultant groups during the review and selection phase. A donation from the Kellogg Lake Board for material to construct a new shelter in the northeast corner of the lake on the peninsula was approved and is being presented in Resolution 1893.

Ms. Otero reported the Public Works Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for February 4.

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Collier for Carthage Water and Electric, Ms. Otero for the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council, Jasper County Commissioners, and the Carthage Humane Society, and Mr. Barlow for the Planning, Zoning & Historic Preservation.

City Attorney Nate Dally discussed Trustee property in which the county holds the property and can sell it but cannot spend any money on the property. Mr. Dally also commended the Police Department staff for their investigative role in the recent murder trial.

Police Chief Greg Dagnan commended City Attorney Dally and the Prosecutor for their work in the recent murder trial.

Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson reported his department will be installing gates at Kellogg Lake to use in times of flooding or during events. A new shelter is being constructed at Municipal Park.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: the City Administrator's report included in the packet, McGrath Human Resources has begun the compensation and benefit study, IT Manager Kevin Kinsey started last week, discussed project included in

the budget and future potential budget adjustments, a letter sent by the Mayor to the Jasper County Officials regarding their employees parking on the square, leaf pickup is complete, his attendance at a CEDC meeting and a TAC meeting.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$1,979,645.29 against the following funds: General Revenue \$32,031.27, Public Health \$131,061.52, Fire Protection \$605.33, Golf \$1,168.86, Capital Improvements \$48,863.50, Carthage Water & Electric \$1,500,000.00, and Payroll \$265,914.81. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under Old Business, C.B. 19-50 – An Ordinance annexing certain adjacent territory into the City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri was placed on second reading. Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Otero, to amend Section IV of C.B. 19-50. Motion carried. C.B. 19-50 as amended - An Ordinance annexing certain adjacent territory into the City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Harrison, Newport, Otero, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 20-02.

There was no new business to conduct.

Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve Resolution 1893 – A Resolution providing for the formal acceptance of a donation by the City Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri pursuant to city policy passed by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Harrison, Newport, Otero and West.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1894 – A Resolution providing for the formal acceptance of a donation by the City Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri pursuant to city policy passed by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Harrison, Newport, Otero and West.

During closing remarks, Mr. Harrison reminded everyone to keep Mr. Snow's family in prayer, Mr. Collier reported the Carthage R9 Activity Center has been completed and an archery tournament will be held there this weekend. Mr. Barlow reported he had met with Mark Peterson, Parks & Recreation Director, regarding the golf course, and he feels he has a better understanding of its importance.

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harris, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Dan Rife, Mayor

Traci Cox, City Clerk