

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI  
February 11, 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: David Armstrong, Mike Daugherty, Ceri Otero, Darren Collier, Kirby Newport, Ed Barlow, and Juan Topete. Council Members Ray West, Alan Snow and James Harrison 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. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2020 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

During Citizen's Participation Period: Mark Elliff, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Director, compared top employers in the Springfield area with large employers in Carthage, noting the importance of time spent on business retention programs.

Mr. Topete reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee met on February 10. Niki Cloud, Director of the Convention and Visitors Bureau, was present to discuss reporting requirements included in the CVB contract. She will begin providing a lodging tax report to the council and a regular update on projects. Authorization for the Mayor to sign the annual Taxi Grant application for federal financial assistance was approved and is being presented in C.B. 20-02. Mr. Topete made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the Overall Goals and Priorities for Fiscal 2021 Budget.

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

Mr. Collier reported the Public Safety Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for February 24.

Mr. Topete reported the Public Services Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for February 18.

Mr. Daugherty reported the Public Works Committee met on February 4. The Committee approved a motion to accept Blevin's Asphalt contract prices for the 2020 season. The motion was forwarded to Council to approve on C.B. 20-03. The Committee approved a memorandum of understanding between Schreiber Foods and the City of Carthage for the cost share of the roundabout project at State Highway HH

and Dr. Russell Smith Way and a requested lot split for the property located at Hazel Avenue and George E. Phelps Boulevard.

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Topete for the Carthage Kellogg Lake Board and Carthage Tree Board, and Ms. Otero for the Carthage Humane Society, Harry S Truman Coordinating Council, and Jasper County Commissioners.

Mayor Rife reported on a meeting with a County Commissioner to discuss an upcoming project.

During Reports of Council Members, Mr. Armstrong thanked Mr. Elliff for his report.

Fire Chief Roger Williams reported on a fatality fire his crew had assisted with.

Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson reported installation of the base poles for the gates at Kellogg Lake has begun. Staff will be applying for reimbursement of the project through a Department of Conservation grant. The bid opening for the Parks Master Plan will be February 14.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: legislature regarding breed specific ordinances, sales tax revenues, City Hall lighting project, the 5-year CIP will be presented at the March 9 Budget Ways & Means meeting, a TAC meeting, and City offices will be closed on February 17 for President's Day.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$2,163,719.15 against the following funds: General Revenue \$112,705.56, Public Health \$266.07, Lodging \$8,500.00, Public Safety \$3,167.96, Parks/Stormwater \$52,583.36, Fire Protection \$99.82, Golf \$3,714.67, Capital Improvements \$17,365.00, Library \$25,000.00, Payroll \$440,316.71 and Carthage Water & Electric \$1,500,000.00. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

There was no old business to conduct.

Under New Business, C.B. 20-02 – An Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to apply for federal financial assistance on behalf of the City of Carthage and to execute any contract(s) resulting from such application for any grants between the City of Carthage and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission providing for capital, operating, and/or marketing assistance, comprised of federal funds to be expended for Commission-approved transit projects was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 20-03 – An Ordinance extending the current agreement with Blevins Asphalt Construction Co., Inc. for the Annual Asphalt Paving Contract (@ \$58.55 per ton of asphalt to include tack oil) to include a new term from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 20-04 – An Ordinance to amend Section 23 of the Code of the City of Carthage by adding section 23-431, Municipal Parking Lot Regulations was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 20-05 – An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between Morris Strom for professional labor that will manage the Nexedge Radio System as it affects the operation of those city departments who function within the city limits of the City of Carthage and the Carthage Fire Department whose operational area includes the city and the fire district was placed on first reading with no action taken.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to pull the appointment for the Civil War Museum from December 2018 off the table. Motion carried.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Kevin Checkett to the Personnel Appeals Board until February 2024. Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the re-appointment of Steve Weldon to the Civil War Museum until December 2023. Motion carried.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1895 – A Resolution approving the declaration as surplus to the City's needs and authorizing the disposition of police equipment (vehicle) consisting of a 2016 Ford Interceptor (Explorer body type) (VIN 1FM5K8AR3GGC72812) with approximately 105,465 miles of use donated to the Carthage R-9 School District passed by a roll call vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, and Topete.

Mr. Topete made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

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Dan Rife, Mayor

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Traci Cox, City Clerk