

Minutes Of The Meeting Of The City Council
City of Carthage, Missouri
March 26, 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: Ray West, Ceri Otero, Mike Daugherty, Alan Snow, Darren Collier, Brady Beckham, Kirby Newport, James Harrison, Juan Topete and David Armstrong. 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. Fire Chief Roger Williams left the meeting after the flag salute.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2019 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

During Citizen's Participation Period: Mark Elliff, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Director, apologized for not having Student Government Day and suggested it to be moved to February next year. Rachel Beckett, 321 Boggess Drive, was present to discuss three dogs in her parents neighborhood that had killed three cats on separate occasions. The owners of the three dogs have been ticketed but have not yet appeared in court. Ms. Beckett stated they have security camera photos of the dogs running at large and felt something should be done to remove the dogs before they killed another pet.

Mr. Collier reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee was between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for April 8.

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

Mr. Harrison reported the Public Safety Committee met March 18. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to approve the request by First Christian Church for closing the 800 block of Main Street from 6-10 am, and in the event of inclement weather, the closings of the 800 block of Main between the main building and the Lighthouse building from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm, 9th Street between Main and Lyon from 6:00 am to 3:00 pm and Chestnut Street between Lyon and Main from 12-3 pm, and to allow vehicles to back into parking spaces. Motion carried. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the street closings for Maple Leaf on October 19 as in years past with the addition of. Motion carried. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the request by YMCA 5K run to close George E Phelps and Airport Drive between Grand and Fulton and provide police assistance on October 18 at 6:00 pm. Motion carried. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to close and vacate 7th Street from Garrison to Lyon from midnight May 31 to midnight June 1 for the Relay for Life event to be held in Central Park. Motion carried. Mr. Harrison made a motion,

seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to approve street closures in Kellogg Lake on July 19-20 and suspend the noise ordinance on Friday, July 19 from 5-12 pm for the homemade paddle boat race event contingent upon obtaining event insurance. Motion carried. Mr. Harrison made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to close Grant and Main Streets from 2nd to 5th, 3rd Street from Grant to Main and also all cars to back into parking spaces for the Maple Leaf Cruise Night on October 18. Motion carried.

Mr. Beckham reported the Public Services Committee met March 19. Wendi Douglas representing Carthage Arts Council is requesting use of Central Park on April 13 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Mr. Beckham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to allow Carthage Arts Council to sell items in Central Park and the City to provide tables and trash cans for the event. Motion carried. Kip Smith was present to discuss the paddle boat race to be held July 19-20 at Kellogg Lake. Mr. Beckham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to approve the use of Kellogg Lake for the paddle boat race and allow the sale of food and beer if all licensing requirements are met and event insurance is obtained. The City will also provide tables and trash cans for the event. Motion carried. The contract with the YMCA for pool management was reviewed. The increase in costs can be attributed to the increase in minimum wage. The contract is being presented in C.B. 19-12. The adult softball contract was reviewed and is being presented in Resolution 1868. Obsolete golf mowers have already been designated as surplus property, and Stockton Country Club submitted a bid of \$500 for purchasing the mowers. An increase in golf fees was discussed and is being presented in C.B. 19-13. Baugh Floors was the only contractor to submit a bid for refinishing the stage floor at Memorial Hall. Mr. Beckham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to approve the bid of \$9,906.68 from Baugh Floors. Motion carried.

Mr. Daugherty reported the Public Works Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for April 2.

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

Mayor Dan Rife reported on budget meetings, interviews for the Parks and Recreation Director, and attendance at Gordman's grand opening. Mayor Rife discussed Resolution 1837, which approved the distribution of \$25,000 from the Hospital Trust Fund to the Carthage YMCA to establish a group to explore the possibility of an aquatic facility. A consultant has been hired by the YMCA to design an aquatic facility that would be owned by the City and operated by the YMCA. This was not approved by the council and staff will work to remedy the situation.

During reports of Council Members, Mr. Armstrong asked that the procedures for handling of a vicious dog be clarified; how are they identified and what can council do to fix the issue. Chief Dagnan stated the owner must be cited and found guilty. The individual discussed had not been to court so they have not been found guilty. Mr. Newport stated he would be requesting the issue be added to the next agenda of the Public Safety Committee. Mr. Collier discussed the need for a Council Work Day and the need to have Gary Markenson brought back to meet with council

members. Mr. Beckham asked what the procedure was for scheduling a Work Day. Mayor Rife stated he would like members to email him discussion topics so an agenda can be prepared and a meeting scheduled.

City Attorney Nate Dally stated there had been four trials for vicious dogs this year and the owners were given time to relocate the animals when found guilty.

Police Chief Greg Dagnan stated he could get special permission from Judge Lasley to schedule trial for two weeks out. He also commended his staff for the way they handled the recent major event.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on Nikki Hill leaving HSTCC, IT offices are almost complete, a Spanish immersion class to be held in new office space at City Hall next week for police officers, the update to the city's webpage will be complete in May, interviews for the Parks and Recreation Director, the bid opening for the Memorial Hall stage floor, and meetings with department heads for the draft budget.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$1,801,479.81 against the following funds: General Revenue \$50,730.89, Public Health \$124,460.41, Public Safety Fund \$12,569.82, Parks Stormwater \$87,076.40, Golf Course \$1,642.29, Library \$25,000.00, Payroll \$260,615.26 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.

Under old business, C.B. 19-10- An Ordinance to amend Section 805 (06) of the Personnel Policy Manual of the City of Carthage regarding Meals was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered 19-12.

C.B. 19-11- An Ordinance to amend Section 25-61 of the Carthage Code to waive, for a period of six (6) months, the established fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100) for rezoning property within the city, and for requests for annexation of property to the city was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered 19-13.

Under new business, C.B. 19-12- An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Fair Acres Family YMCA, Inc., for Aquatic Facility Management at Municipal Park was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 19-13- An Ordinance changing fees at the Carthage Municipal Golf Course was placed on first reading with no action taken.

C.B. 19-14- An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City of Carthage, Missouri and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission providing for a Transportation Alternatives Funds Program Agreement ((TAP-1601(703)) for ADA compliant

sidewalks, entrances and crosswalks along Central Avenue (MO 96), from Garrison Avenue to Route 66, and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission Sidewalk Improvements Agreement, as required as part of the terms of the Transportation Alternatives Funds Program Agreement was placed on first reading with no action taken.

Mr. Beckham made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison to approve the Mayor's appointments of Rob Harmon to the Police Personnel Administration Board until March 2023 and Mark Peterson as the Parks and Recreation Director effective June 1, 2019.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to divide the vote for the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried. Mr. Beckham withdrew his motion.

Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Rob Harmon to the Police Personnel Administration Board until March 2023. Motion carried.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Mark Peterson as the Parks and Recreation Director effective June 1, 2019. Motion carried on a vote of 8-2 with Mr. Topete and Mr. Newport casting the nay votes.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to approve Resolution 1867- A Resolution concerning annexation of Property. Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to approve Resolution 1868- A Resolution of the City of Carthage, Missouri, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Jonathan Goolsby for complete management of an Adult Softball Program located at Hallam Field. Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Harrison, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West.

During closing remarks, Council members congratulated Mark Peterson on his appointment, Mr. West and Ms. Otero thanked the Chamber for hosting the Candidate Forum, Mr. Snow discussed the need for a planning session to work toward a common vision, Mr. Collier encouraged all to attend the Innovative Industries Tour, Mr. Beckham encouraged council members to do what they can to get everyone engaged in the election process and vote, and many council members discussed the need for transparency.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Due to last minute negotiations, Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to amend the agenda to add an emergency closed session 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 passed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 1 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Harrison, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. Nay: Newport. Mr. Armstrong withdrew his motion. Council went into closed session at 8:02 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to return to the regular session of the Council Meeting followed by a roll call vote of 8 yeas and 2 nays. Ayes: Beckham, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. Nay: Armstrong and Harrison.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.