

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI  
June 25, 2019

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 Captain Bill Hawkins led the flag salute.

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

The following Department Heads were present: Captain Bill Hawkins, 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. Collier, to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

No citizens were present during Citizen's Participation Period.

Mr. Snow reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee is between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for July 8.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approved the claims. Salary adjustments for red-lined employees were discussed. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to authorize additional funds of approximately \$9,745 of the General Fund Budget for an additional 2% adjustment to salaries of red-lined employees. Motion carried.

Mr. Collier reported the Public Safety Committee meeting scheduled for June 17 was cancelled due to lack of quorum. Mr. Collier moved to close Bel Aire on July 3 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for the 18th Annual Bel Aire Bike Parade. Motion was seconded by Mr. Snow. Motion carried. Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the Day of the Bible 4th of July Parade hosted by the Alpha Y Omega Covenant Church beginning at 10:00 a.m. following the same route as in previous years. Motion carried. Mr. Collier also reported on Resolution 1873.

Mr. Topete reported the Public Services Committee met June 18. Concrete for the new pavilion at Municipal Park was bid out with only one bid received. Mr. Topete made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to approve the bid from Reed Concrete for \$4,830. Motion carried.

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

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Collier for the Carthage Water & Electric Board and Police & Fire Pension, Ms. Otero for the Jasper County Commissioners, Harry S Truman Coordinating Council and Humane Society, Mr. Barlow for Planning & Zoning, Mr. Armstrong for the Powers Museum, and Mr. Topete for the Tree Board and Kellogg Lake Board.

Mayor Dan Rife reported on finalizing the budget process.

During Reports of Council Members, Mr. Collier commended staff for their work on the new website.

City Attorney Nate Dally reported on his attendance at the Planning & Zoning meeting to answer questions on future medical marijuana ordinances. The new Show Me Courts system is close to being implemented. Mr. Dally also reported on the mediation he attended with City Administrator Tom Short. Progress is being made on the lawsuit against the railroad, and attorneys will work on legal challenges that were raised.

Fire Chief Roger Williams reminded everyone of fireworks ordinances that are in place for July 4th celebrations. He also reminded everyone to use common sense in high water situations.

Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson reported he will be discussing the Park Master Plan at the next Public Services meeting.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: his attendance at mediation, MML Policy meeting, Vision Carthage meeting, meetings with the Mark Peterson to discuss the Park Master Plan, meetings with Zeb Carney to discuss capital projects, a future medical marijuana ordinance, discussions with the county to coordinate on the jail expansion project, and the updated webpage design is now online.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$706,659.98 against the following funds: General Revenue \$80,256.38, Public Health \$124,030.54, Parks Stormwater \$71,125.05, Golf \$623.01, Parks & Recreation \$53.43, Judicial Education \$234.18, Library \$25,000.00, Fire Protection \$19,111.26, Capital Improvements \$55,883.78, and Payroll \$330,342.35. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under old business, **C.B. 19-23** - An Ordinance adopting the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage for the Fiscal Year 2019 - 2020 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance **19-25**.

**C.B. 19-24** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City of Carthage, Missouri and the Carthage Chamber of Commerce for services in the amount of \$118,075.00 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays.

Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-26.

**C.B. 19-25** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Contract between the City of Carthage and the Carthage Convention and Visitors Bureau for services in the amount of \$102,000.00 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-27.

**C.B. 19-26** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Contract between the City of Carthage and the Carthage Over 60 Center for services in the amount of \$21,000.00 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-28.

**C.B. 19-27** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City of Carthage and the Carthage Humane Society for animal control services for the City of Carthage was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-29.

**C.B. 19-28** - An Ordinance authorizing utility rate adjustments for electric, water and wastewater services as recommended by the Carthage Water & Electric Plant Board was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-30.

**C.B. 19-29** - An Ordinance extending the current contract with Anderson Engineering, Inc. to include a new term from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021 was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 19-31.

Under new business, **C.B. 19-30** - An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Bethesda Healthcare, Inc. for health services was placed on first reading with no action taken.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1873 - a Resolution providing for the formal acceptance of a donation from the Rural Fire District by the City Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri pursuant to City Policy. Resolution passed by a roll call vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Armstrong, Barlow, Collier, Daugherty, Newport, Otero, Snow, Topete, and West. Resolution passed.

During closing remarks, Mr. Daugherty requested donor information be included in the heading of Resolutions.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.