

August 2, 2010

The regular meeting of the Carbondale City Council was called to order at 7 PM by Mayor Towne.

Council present: Fulton, Vawter, Makowski, G Reed, M Reynolds.

Employees & visitors: Richardson, J Reynolds, J Reed, K Reynolds, Attorney DeVoe; Pat Cox, Sam Johnson, Tim Padgett, Susie Whalen, Kandy & Larry Hinck, Marvin Stevens, Joyce Greene, Lee Curtis, Paula Tryon, Tracy Cashier, Alice Smith, Angela Rhoades, Anita Fannin, Rebecca Allison.

The minutes of 7-19-2010 were read. Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to accept the minutes as read. All in favor. Motion carried. The minutes of the special meeting of 7-22-2010 were read. Motion by Makowski, second by G Reed to approve the minutes as read. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton to open the public hearing for the 2011 Budget at 7:06 PM. All in favor. Motion carried. The council reviewed the proposed budget. Discussion & public comments were heard. Motion by G Reed, second by M Reynolds to approve 2011 Budget. The council was polled. G Reed, M Reynolds, Makowski, Vawter, Fulton, aye. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion was made & second to close the public hearing at 7:44 PM. All in favor. Motion carried. The council returned to the regular meeting.

Alice Smith addressed the council on the Homecoming Parade. It is Carbondale's turn to host the event. Smith stated she was volunteering to chair a committee & several committee members were present. Homecoming is September 17th & this is the 40th anniversary for SFT. The parade & pep rally will start at 1:00 PM. Richardson stated he would volunteer his time if the council gave permission to use City equipment. Stevens stated the Lions Club has balloons. The City council gave the go ahead to the committee.

Pat Cox with BG Consultants spoke to the council on the proposed sewer project. During the KIAC meeting on funding the representative from USD Rural Development suggested doing the project in two phases. The preliminary report was given to the council to review for discussion at the next meeting.

Police: J Reed gave a department report. An update was given on National Night Out, which will be tomorrow from 6:00-9:00 PM. Catalytic converters on '04 Ford police vehicle could need replaced at a cost of \$450 per converters

Maintenance: Richardson stated the sidewalk between the car wash & 212 Main was repaired. Discussion of a 2" waterline to 13450 S Topeka for fire protection. The owner was not present at the meeting. Richardson stated Josh Reynolds has resigned effective August 5th. Richardson requested an executive session on personnel. Cleaning of the City Park restrooms was discussed. K Reynolds stated George Raymond is willing to clean the restrooms. Richardson stated there is a leak in the women's restroom. Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to repair the leak. All in favor. Motion carried. The council agreed to pay George Raymond to clean the restrooms as needed at the same rate as paid for the East Lake restrooms.

Motion by M Reynolds, second by Makowski to recess for 10 minutes at 8:18 PM. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was called back to order at 8:31 PM.

A quote to upgrade the software & handheld reader unit for the utility program was reviewed & discussed. The old handheld unit is not compatible with the new office computer. The cost of the upgrade is \$2840. Motion by Makowski, second by G Reed to purchase the handheld unit & software upgrade. 4 in favor, M Reynolds abstained. Motion carried.

An update to the employee handbook to reflect the changes in the State's new smoking law was reviewed. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to adopted the amendment to the employee handbook. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney DeVoe presented an updated version of the ballot question on Sunday & Holiday liquor sales. The updated question reads more clearly. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to place the question of Sunday & Holiday liquor sales on the November ballot. All in favor. Motion carried.

An ordinance authorizing the condemnation of properties along Bury Creek for the drainage easements was reviewed by the council. The Kansas Dept of Agriculture has advised the easements are needed before they will approve the plans to complete the Osage St Bridge project. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to approve Ord 453 condemning the said properties along Bury Creek. All in favor. Motion carried. Attorney DeVoe stated the land will have to be appraised for the condemnation procedures.

A draft for the Osage County travel magazine was reviewed. Corrections & changes will be sent to the newspaper.

The council reviewed a letter from the City of St Marys requesting support in their effort to have the State do a feasibility study to reform the budget law. Motion by Makowski, second by Fulton to sent a letter of support. All in favor. Motion carried.

Stevens introduced Ken Anspaugh, who is the Lions Club contact for the Fall Celebration this year. The certificate of liability insurance for the event was given to the clerk. A list of street closings & times for Sept 10-11 was presented. Stevens stated this could possibly be the last year for the event due to lack of volunteers & costs involved.

Motion by Fulton, second by Makowski to go into executive session until 9:14 PM to discuss personnel with Attorney & City Clerk present. All in favor. Motion carried. J Reed was asked into the executive session. J Reed left the executive session at 9:14 PM and Richardson joined the session. An extension of time was requested until 9:30 PM. The meeting was called back to order at 9:30 PM. Fulton stated the executive session was for 36 minutes, with no decisions made.

Stevens stated he had discussed police coverage for the Fall Celebration with Chief Reed. J Reed stated the work schedule would be adjusted for the event.

Motion by Fulton, second by G Reed to change Kyle Cox to full-time status in the Maintenance Dept. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Makowski, second by M Reynolds to pay all approved bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Makowski, second by Fulton to adjourn at 9:34 PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk