

October 4, 2010

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

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

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, K Reynolds, J Reed, attorney DeVoe; Susie Whalen, Joanna Sherwood, Richard Tatro, Tosha Smith, Jandi Masters, Lee Curtis, Kandy & Larry Hinck, Joyce & Joe Greene.

The minutes from 9-20-10 were read. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Police: J Reed gave a verbal report. The part-time officers leave Sunday for the academy & will be taking the Impala. The police building needs repairs done to the door, front window & painted. Richardson stated the repairs can be done by the Maintenance dept. Richardson is to get a price on replacing the window. J Reed asked permission to look for grants to build a garage to house the police vehicles. The council gave permission to look for funding. Allen Community College has inquired about the internship program. There was no objection to allowing interns from ACC as long as the attorney approves the paperwork. An executive session on personnel was requested by J Reed. The Mayor asked if the mileage on the Charger had reached the 5000 mile break-in period. J Reed stated the car had reached the 5000 miles. The mayor asked for a decision on the use of the car. M Reynolds stated he preferred the Charger not be driven to & from J Reed's home. J Reed asked where the car would be parked, so not to be vandalized. He suggested the maintenance building. Richardson stated they could move the car out of the shop, if needed. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton that the Charger is to be parked in the maintenance shed or lot until further notice. Motion carried. The Mayor asked if the lock out kits were found. J Reed stated they had not. The Mayor instructed J Reed to order new kits. Discussion of opening locked cars & liability to the City. A waiver is needed & should be signed by the person, before the car is opened.

Maintenance: Richardson presented bid from Cintas on uniforms & shop towels; uniforms \$6.95 per week per person & \$4.50 per week for 50 shop towels. Richardson stated the maintenance employees have agreed to pay half of the cost for the uniforms. This could be done through payroll deduction. Motion by G Reed, second by Vawter to get uniforms for the maintenance department through Cintas with the employees paying half. Motion carried. M Reynolds asked if there was a cost estimate on boots, which were brought up at the last council meeting. Richardson stated because the uniforms would remove some financial burden, the maintenance dept could purchase their own boots.

Compliance officer: It was suggested the police department take over the compliance duties. G Reed stated they should not put more burden on the police department. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to advertise for a compliance officer, not to exceed 20 hr/month. Motion carried.

The meeting procedures were discussed. A list of questions from the clerk about the procedures was address. Fulton stated the agenda format should not be changed. All other items are to be handled as they were in the past.

The questions on nuisance procedures were put off until a new compliance officer is hired. The clerk asked how to handle current & new nuisance complaints. Council members G Reed & M Reynolds offered to assist with photos & reports.

Joe Greene with Osage Waste informed the council Osage County has increased dump fees. Other operation costs have increased too. Greene requested an increase of 47 cents per month per household for trash service. Discussion. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to increase the trash rate for city customers an addition 47 cents per household per month. Motion carried. The clerk stated an ordinance would have to be passed & published before the increase could take effect; discussion of the effective date.

Jandi Masters requested to rent the City Hall on the 1st Tue. of the month for her dance classes. She recently lost the space & is using the VFW, but their meeting is on the 1st Tue. It would be used Sep-May from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. The

council stated it was OK as long as it did not interfere with other meetings. Motion by Fulton, second by G Reed to allow the dance classes. Motion carried.

A letter from the Harmonnette Club on the annual Halloween contest was reviewed. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton to donate \$50 to the Harmonnette Club. Motion carried.

A letter from SFT After Prom Committee requesting a donation was reviewed. Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to donate \$100 to the After Prom. Motion carried.

Zoning: Larry Hinck had a question on “temporary use”, because there is no definition in the zoning regulations. Discussion. It was stated a public hearing must be held to change or amend the zoning regulations.

Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to go into executive session on personnel until 8:10 PM, with the Police Chief, City Attorney, & Clerk. Motion carried. The meeting was called back to order at 8:10 PM. Fulton stated the executive session was for 12 minutes with no decisions made.

Curtis requested Main St from 2nd to 3rd Streets be closed Halloween night from 5-9 PM for the “Trunk or Treat” event, sponsored by the Lions Club. Motion by Fulton, second by G Reed to close the street as stated. Motion carried.

Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to pay all approved bill. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Fulton, second by Vawter to adjourn at 8:12 PM. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk