

January 3, 2011

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

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

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, J. Reed, K. Reynolds, Attorney DeVoe; Susie Whalen, Ben Kramer, Larry & Kandy Hinck, Lee Curtis, Sheldon Pegram, Paula Tryon.

The minutes of 12-20-10 were read. Motion by Vawter, second by M Reynolds to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Ben Kramer presented sample maps of utility line overlays. The cost to overlay the lines & the program to view the maps would cost approx \$7800. Discussion. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to contract with Kramer Engineering to update the zoning map at a cost estimate of \$2700 along with the estimated \$7800 to overlay utility lines. Motion carried. Motion by G Reed, second by Makowski to specify city water & sewer utility lines. Motion carried.

Maintenance: Richardson stated KDHE inspection of the water plant would be Jan. 19th. Work has started on the drainage in front of the Post Office. A contractor was hired to cut the concrete, which was 12" thick. There is a possible water main leak near Carbondale Tire & Auto. KRWA is going to help with locating the leak.

Police: Chief Reed stated he is still trying to update the department equipment. The black & white '97 Ford needs to be replaced. Topeka PD does not want the '97 Ford back, but a release is needed which is done by their legal dept. Correspondence with Landmark Dodge shows a \$3000 saving on a 2010 Charger compared to purchasing a 2011 model later. The City Clerk presented activity for the Police Equipment Reserve for 2010. A report on expected activity for 2011 was also presented. One example included the current lease payment & the other included leasing a second car & equipping that car. The funds were not available in the Police Equipment Reserve, lease and equip an additional vehicle at this time. Chief Reed questioned the available funds, stating he thought he had a \$25000 reserve fund. Discussion. Motion by Makowski, second by G Reed to wait until budget conflicts can be resolved before making a decision on the car purchase. Motion carried. A request to purchase an additional breath tester at a cost of \$500.00 was discussed. Motion by G Reed, second by M Reynolds to purchase the tester. Motion carried. M Reynolds stated that current tester is to go in for calibration as soon as the new tester arrived; Chief Reed agreed. A request was sent to the Osage County Attorney for digital camera & voice recorders at a cost of \$1600. The request was granted & the equipment has been received.

The council reviewed a letter requesting a utility payment schedule & adjustment of the sewer charge for acct #0162 due to a water break in the service line. Discussion. Motion by Vawter, second by G Reed to adjust the sewer to an average for the account & the office work out a payment schedule. Motion carried.

A trash hauler application for Exodus Disposal was reviewed. Motion by M Reynolds, second by G Reed to approve the license, with proper paper work received. Motion carried.

Resolution for the GAAP Waiver was reviewed & discussed. Motion by Vawter, second by G Reed to adopt Resolution 2011-01 the 2011 GAAP Waiver. 3 in favor; M Reynolds abstained. Motion carried.

The cat organizations in Topeka have been contacted by email, with no response. Attorney DeVoe stated it was very unlikely that a Topeka organization would be willing to come to Carbondale. Discussion. G Reed stated he would contact the people & organizations.

G Reed stated the Carbondale Friends of the Library & the ELM Foundation are hosting a theater production as a fund raiser for both organizations. They are selling sponsorships for \$10, which will be posted at the event. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Makowski to purchase the sponsorship from the Friends of the Library group. Motion carried.

The City Attorney requested that any specific questions for the work session on the employee handbook be given to her in advance. The work session is scheduled for Monday, January 10th.

Motion by G Reed, second by M Reynolds to pay all approved bills. Motion carried

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Vawter, second by Makowski to adjourn at 8:06 PM. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk