

May 16, 2011

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

Council Present: Fulton, M Reynolds, Reed, Zerbe, and Traphagan.

Employees & visitors: Tolisha Stark, Sandy Duncan, Susie Whalen, Deb Zerbe, Jenny Hulings, Larry and Kandy Hinck, Mickey Young.

The minute of 05-02-11 were read. Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Pool: Jenny Hulings presented a list of lifeguards she would like to hire. Discussion. Motion by Fulton, second by Traphagen to hire all lifeguards. Motion carried.

Police: Acting Chief Kane gave a report. Attorney DeVoe ask if any officers were going to be at court, because there was not one officer at the last court. Kane discussed the Officer Reserve Program. The reserve officers have to ride with a full time certified officer. Discussion on program written policy & application. Attorney DeVoe is to draw up a final draft and have it ready for next council meeting. Kane explained the reserve officer program to the council & citizens.

Maintenance: Kevin stated the '01 Chevy needs to have the transmission repaired. The quote from Carbondale Tire & Auto is \$577.94, not including a wiring harness if needed. Motion by Fulton, second by Zerbe to repair the truck. Motion carried.

Railing at the Pool: Richardson spoke with Clark of Continental Pool who suggested getting the rail powder coated or remove the railing. Richardson recommended putting up class 80 PVC with ropes running between them. Discussion. Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to go replace the railing with PVC & ropes. Motion carried.

Nuisance properties: The City moves several lots in town each year due to non-compliance. The grass is 2 to 4 foot tall by the time we are allowed to mow. Kane suggested contacting Pieman Title to find out the name of the bankruptcy attorney handling the property and notify them. K. Reynolds asked if the ordinance could be changed so that the notification can be done once, instead of once per calendar year. Attorney DeVoe said no. Richardson asked if it could be mow and not charge for the first mowing. This would be cheaper than tearing up the mowers. Attorney DeVoe stated the City cannot go onto a property without notification. Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to contact Pieman to get this process done quicker. Motion carried.

Park restrooms: Richardson stated as soon as Sherwood comes back from leave, the sewer line will be replaced. Sandy Duncan asked if the restrooms were broke last year. Richardson stated the problem was noticed at the last Lawnmower Derby. Duncan stated there were several things at the park that are broken and need repaired, swings & tables. Duncan asked who was responsible for maintaining the park equipment. Richardson stated it was unclear exactly who was responsible, the City or the Rec Commission. Zerbe said maybe there are grants to help with this. He will contact someone that he knows on getting equipment, etc. Traphagan said that the Lions Club will paint the building and fix the bleacher that is broken. Traphagan said it would be nice to get lights at the park also. Traphagan asked if donations could be collected from the public in order to do this. Discussion. Duncan also stated that the bleachers at the ball park need repaired and painted.

Discussion on meeting procedure; tabled until next meeting.

Economic Development: Zerbe suggested finding owners of the empty buildings to see if they are interested in selling or contact realtors. Also, talk to individuals that have property that could be used as business property. Zerbe suggested checking with the Planning Commission on doing this and get something started.

Website: No information yet. Zerbe would like to place a spot on Facebook for now until a website is up & going.

Recycling: Zerbe stated the City needs a recycling program. He talked to Tyson at Osage County. Cities can buy a container, which range from \$8000-\$11,000 dollars. The City would be responsible for container cost, making sure everything is in correct bin and getting it to the recycling site. There are several different container and programs. He will get more information and bids.

Town Hall meeting: Discussion. Motion by Reed, second by Fulton to have the first town hall meeting, the first 45 minutes of the June 6th meeting. 4 in favor; Reynolds opposed. Motion carried.

Zoning: Hinck gave the council and attorney some change requests for the zoning regulations. The attorney will draw them up and have ready for next council meeting.

Motion by Fulton, second by Reynolds to approve the extension request. Motion carried.

Kane requested a 15-minute executive session. Motion by Reynolds, second by Reed to take a 10 minute recess. Motion carried. The meeting was called back to order at 8:25pm

Motion by Fulton, second by Reynolds to go into executive session until 8:57 PM on personnel and police applicants for 30 min. Motion carried. Fulton requested a 30 min extension at 8:57 PM. The meeting was called back to order at 9:27 PM. Fulton stated the executive session for 1 hour no decisions made.

Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to hire S. Scurlock and C. Blanchard for part-time police officers at \$10.30 per hour. Motion carried. Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to give K. Reynolds a \$1.00 per hour raise. 4 in favor; M Reynolds abstained. Motion carried.

Police chief applications on hold until references can be contacted.

Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to pay all approved bills. Motion carried

There being no further business to come be the council, motion by Fulton, second by Traphagan to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Kim Reynolds, City Treasurer