

June 20, 2011

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

Council present: Zerbe, Reed, Fulton, M Reynolds. Absent: Traphagan.

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, K Reynolds, Kane, Attorney DeVoe; Deb Zerbe, Mickey & Michelle Young, Lee Curtis, Larry & Kandy Hinck, Josh Reynolds, Wayne White.

The minutes of 6-6-11 were read. Motion by Fulton, second by Zerbe to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

Police, Kane:

- Department report
- National Night Out update
- Written proposal to send reserve officers to KLETC training & compensation. City attorney requested time to review & research. Motion by Reynolds, second by Reed to table until the July 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion carried.
- Discussion of police coverage
- M Reynolds will take the Charger to the Library Summer Reading "Touch a Truck" event
- Turning lane at Main & Topeka; Kane to contact Osage County

Maintenance: Richardson

- Street repair delayed due to weather. Bettis should start next week or after July 4.
- Transmitter from water tower to plant was struck by lightning; replaced transmitter
- Request by Richardson to attend KRWA training 06-23-11. Motion by Fulton, second by M Reynolds to approve. Motion carried.
- Pothole repair continues. The asphalt roller is worn out, so we are renting an asphalt roller. Richardson is to look for a used asphalt roller.

City Attorney DeVoe:

- Police Reserve Policy: Handbook receipt acknowledgement and policy was reviewed. DeVoe stated there are two choices; amend the employee handbook to include reserve officers or a separate cover letter to sign, acknowledging they have received and read the Reserve Officer Policy. Chief's request to send reserves for training would also need to be in the policy. Motion by Reed, second by M Reynolds accept the signed acknowledgement page. Motion carried.
- Meeting Procedures: Ordinance was reviewed & discussed. Motion by Reed, second by Fulton to adopt Ord. 459-2011 Meeting Code of Procedures. 3 in favor; M Reynolds opposed. Motion carried.
- Alley Speed Limits: Fulton, Reed, & M Reynolds agreed 5 mph was too slow. The ability to enforce the speed limit was questioned and discussed. Other options were discussed. The cost to implement & enforce were discussed. The issue was tabled for more research.

Zoning:

- Attorney DeVoe presented & explained the process to amend or change zoning regulations, due to the numerous questions she has received.
- On-line payments were discussed.
- Condemnation procedures for 105 S Topeka: DeVoe stated she had received a phone call about condemning the building. Fulton stated if action was taken, other buildings need to be included. Reed stated the building was full of mold and sitting vacant for 10 years. DeVoe believed it was ill-advised to start a condemnation procedure. In the past, councils have allowed property owners to repair the properties. It is a lengthy legal process to have a building condemned and demolished. DeVoe's legal opinion, the City has no grounds to condemn, but suggested contacting the property owner. Motion by Reed to send a letter asking the property owner to state the status of the building; motion died for lack of second. DeVoe went through the process to condemn and answered question.

City Office:

- The City building took a lightning strike over the weekend. The main office computer was damaged along with other equipment. The insurance company has been contacted & the computer has been replaced through NCS.

Economic Development, Zerbe:

- Waiting for more information on possible grants for playground equipment
- Town Hall meeting report for the next meeting
- Researching “City Cleanup” for the fall; contact other organizations. Zerbe will get a proposal together & bring to the council’s approval

Library Building Committee: Kandy Hinck

- Update on the new library building
- Presented floor plan for new library
- A structural engineer had found the building sound
- Looking into financing, funding & possible grants

Extension requests:

- Two requests were reviewed. Motion by Fulton, second by Reed to grant extensions to accounts #0817 & #0880. Motion carried.

Bills:

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

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Fulton, second by Reed to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk