

December 19, 2011

Regular meeting of the Carbondale City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Towne.

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

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, Kane, K Reynolds, Attorney DeVoe; Steve & Rosemary Saunders, Talisha Traphagan, Randy Piper, Larry & Kandy Hinck, , Brian Hinck, Susie Whalen, Mark Pawley.

Minutes:

- December 5, 2011 minutes read. Motion by Traphagan, second by Zerbe to approve as corrected. Motion carried.
- December 6, 2011 Special meeting minutes read. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Reed to approve as read. Motion carried.

The regular meeting was closed to hold the public hearing on the 2011 Budget Amendment.

- Amend to establish a Swimming Pool Fund
- Amend Trash Fund due to increase expenses
- Discussion
- Motion by Traphagan, second by Reed to approve the 2011 amended budget. Motion carried.
- The public hearing was closed; regular meeting reopened

Ranson Financial: Steve & Rosemary Saunders

- Discussed & reviewed documents on refinancing Water Loans with Bonds
- M Reynolds suggested postponing the decision until Jan. 16th so the council can review & discuss
- Motion by Reed, second by M Reynolds to table the Water Loan refinancing until Jan 16th. Motion carried.

Sewer Project: BG Consultants unable to attend meeting due to the weather

- Council reviewed bid documents & recommendation
- M Reynolds suggested waiting so the council can review the documents
- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Reed to table until Jan. 3rd. Motion carried.

Police: Kane

- Verbal department report
- Reminded citizens to lock homes & vehicles
- Report on dogs taken to the vet; will be ready Jan 3rd

Maintenance: Richardson

- Working on alleys
- Estimate on radio-read water meters; a time-saving purchase, to be considered in the future
- Discussion of radio-read advantages
- Cleared a blocked sewer; 4th St & North St
- Reed: Skip's installing grease trap next week
- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Reed to table the radio-read equipment to Jan 3rd meeting. Motion carried.

Personnel: Uniforms

- Motion by Reed, second M Reynolds to pay for full cost of uniforms for the police officers & maintenance employees effective as soon as possible. Motion carried.

CMB License:

- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Zerbe to approve the 2012 CMB license for Casey's. Motion carried.
- Attorney DeVoe stated, it appears the ELM Building does not need a temporary CMB license, because it is a private building, not public building. DeVoe has already informed the council of this finding. DeVoe also attending an ELM meeting to inform the ELM board members.

Eco. Development: Zerbe

- Carbondale 140th discussed. Traphagan stated the Lions Club is discussing the date & events.
- Received updated information from OCED on business incentives
- Received a map with lots & owners cross reference from OCED to be used in development efforts

PRIDE:

- Request to use City Hall for a soup supper; waive the rent & deposit. Motion by Reed, second by Zerbe to waive the deposit & rent. Motion carried.

City Office: Change in hours

- Office staff requested changing office hours to close at 4 PM, allowing an hour of uninterrupted time at the end of each day.
- Motion by Reed, second by Zerbe to change the City Office business hours to 8 am-12 pm & 1 pm-4 pm. Motion carried.

Extension request:

- Accounts 0406, 0880, 0293, 0818, 0817, 0624, 0135 requested extension
- Discussion of 0135; history & frequency of requests
- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Traphagan to grant extensions to 0406, 0880, 0293, 0818, 0817, 0624, as request. Motion carried.
- Motion by Traphagan, second by M Reynolds to allow 0135 an extension, but must be paid by Dec 31, 2011. Motion carried.

Executive session:

- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Traphagan to go into executive session with the attorney present for Attorney-Client privilege until 8:25 PM.
- Back to order at 8:25 PM
- M Reynolds stated the executive session was for 10 minutes with no decisions made.

City Property:

- Discussion of the vacant lot at Wilson & Osborn, where the old standpipe water tower was located
- County appraised vacant lot at \$4300
- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Traphagan to offer the vacant lot at Wilson & Osborn to the public by sealed bid, due by the close of business on Jan 16, 2011. Motion carried.

Employee Gift:

- Mayor recommended giving all employees a \$50 gift card from Skips.
- Motion by Reed, second by Traphagan to give all employees a \$50 gift card from Skips. 3 in favor, Reynolds abstained. Motion carried

Bills:

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

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Traphagan, second by Reed to adjourn at 8:30 PM. Motion carried.

Sandra Schifflbein, City Clerk