

May 14, 2012

Special meeting of the Carbondale City Council was called to order at 7 pm by Mayor Towne.

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

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, Kane, attorney DeVoe; Sam Johnson, Pat Cox, Ben Kramer, Kim Bettis, Shellanne Thompson, Kandy & Larry Hinck, Lee Curtis, Pat Kuney, Randy Piper.

The special meeting was called to address the following items:

- Osage Street bridge/Bury Creek project
- Sewer project
- Street repair bids
- Ordinance vacating alley
- Executive session for litigation, contracts, and pool manager

Sewer: BG Consultants

- Pat Cox presented the finding of the sewer inspection
- The estimated cost for the project, \$3.7 million
- Funding options were reviewed
- Dividing the project into multi-year phases was discussed
- Sewer rate evaluation showed an increase to a minimum rate of \$26.25 to qualify for CDBG funding. Cox stressed the need to increase the sewer rate right away
- Motion by Reed, second by M Reynolds to move forward with the sewer project. Motion carried.
- The City will continue with Governmental Assistance Services as the grant writer on the project

Osage Street bridge/Bury Creek project: Kramer Engineering

- Ben Kramer informed the council that Kramer Engineering has closed their doors.
- Kramer Consulting has agreed to take the project through to completion and an agreement to that effect was presented to the council
- The project has been sent out for bids with a bid date of June 15, 2012.
- All State departments have approved the plans.
- Motion by Reed, second by Zerbe to switch over to Kramer Consulting to take over the project. Motion carried.
- Motion by Lister, second by Reed to approve the plans for construction. Motion carried.

Street repairs:

- List of repairs: Patch & 2" overlay, S 1st from Main to the bridge, S 2nd from Main to Center, S 3rd from Main to Ridgeway. Milled 2" & 4" overlay, Commercial from Topeka to Center
- One bid was received from Bettis Asphalt at a cost of \$226,465.
- Motion by M Reynolds, to accept the award the bid to Bettis Asphalt for \$226,465. After hesitation and discussion, the motion was second by Lister. Motion carried.

Ordinance:

- Reviewed the ordinance vacating the alley in Block 22, Original Town.
- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Zerbe to adopt Ordinance 462-2012 vacating the alley and granting a utility easement. Motion carried.

Recess:

- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Zerbe to recess for 10 minutes at 8:26 pm. Motion carried.
- Called back to order at 8:27 pm

Executive session:

- Motion by M Reynolds, second by Zerbe to go into executive session until 9 pm for litigation and contracts with the attorney present and pool manager applications. Motion carried.
- The meeting was called back to order at 9 pm.
- M Reynolds stated the executive session was for 30 minutes with no decisions made.

Open session:

- Motion by Lister, second by M Reynolds for the City Attorney to continue with litigation. Motion carried.
- Motion by Zerbe, second by Reed to approve contract negotiation by the City Attorney. Motion carried.
- Motion by Reed, second by Lister to hire Jenny Huling as pool manager at \$10 per hour. Motion carried.

Motion by M Reynolds, second by Reed to adjourn at 9:02 pm. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk