

September 17, 2012

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

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

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Sherwood, Kane, K Reynolds; Ben Kramer, Josh Kramer, Phil Gordon, Shellanne Thompson, Larry & Kandy Hinck, Marvin Stevens, Randy Piper, Lee Curtis, Linda Romine, Shane & Rebecca Quigley.

Minutes:

- 09-04-2012 minutes were read. Motion by Traphagan, second by Zerbe to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Bury Creek/Osage St Bridge: Kramer

- Kramer stated the guard rails should be installed next week
- Submitted a pay request for Ebert Construction and Kramer Consulting
- Met with Richardson and Sherwood to review the creek north of Market St.
- Richardson stated he has spoken with the Division of Water Resources; removing trees and silt would fall under the current permit, as long as we did not change the slope.
- Richardson is to send pictures and a plan to the Division of Water Resources for their approval and directions.
- Discussion of the maintenance dept doing the clearing or hiring a contractor.
- Motion by Reed, second by Lister to put the project out to bid by contracting a tree removal service. Motion carried.
- Motion by Reynolds, second by Zerbe to place an ad in the paper for bids on removing the trees from the Bury Creek from the low water bridge to North St. approximately 750 ft. Motion carried.

Police: Kane

- Gave a verbal dept report.
- Requested an executive session on personnel

Event Tent:

- The receipt for payment of the tent was reviewed. It was noted that the purchase was paid for from the general operating fund.
- Rental agreement will be ready for the council's approval at the next meeting.

Maintenance: Richardson

- Pool has been winterized
- Continue to work on alleys and mowing.
- BG Consultants inspected the dam at east lake and should have a report in by Oct 15th meeting.
- 2 valves are leaking at the water plant and the repairs may need to be contracted out. Waiting on cost estimate from alliance pump.
- Working on plans for sewer repairs; setting a priority list. Confined space work will need to have 3 people on site. They have identified 3 areas that cannot be done with our equipment.
- Zerbe stated people appreciated the preparation Richardson and Sherwood did for the Fall Celebration.

Pay Requests:

- Council reviewed pay requests from Ebert Construction and Kramer Consulting.
- Motion by Reed, second by Traphagan to pay Ebert Construction and Kramer Consulting. Motion carried.

Economic Development: Zerbe

- Fall Celebration went well with no incidents.
- Still waiting on one last cost for the West Lake Study

- Looking at making West Lake a “destination spot” and would like to develop something like a museum on mining or railroad history.

License: Romine

- Requested the council approve the 2 year license renewal for Southside Discount Liquor pending State approval.
- Motion by Traphagan, second by Reynolds to approve the license pending State approval. Motion carried.

Extension requests:

- Discussion on account 0270. Motion by Reynolds, second by Traphagan to go with past policy and the water stays off until the account is paid in full. Motion carried.
- Motion by Reynolds, second by Traphagan to approve extensions for accounts 0399, 0328, 0663, 0293 as requested. Motion carried.

Executive session:

- Motion by Reynolds, second by Traphagan to go into executive session until 7:40 pm to discuss personnel. Motion carried.
- An extension of time was requested until 8:15 pm.
- Called back to order at 8:15 pm. Reynolds stated the the executive session was for 35 minutes with no decisions made.

Personnel:

- Reynolds stated we are down one employee each in the maintenance and police department; the next meeting the council needs estimated costs to hire someone for each department.

Fall Celebration:

- Stevens complimented the council, because every council member participated in the event
- Thanked Richardson and Sherwood for their help with the event

Pride: Phil Gordon

- Informed the council Pride was in the process of painting the shelter house at City Park and would finish up on Sunday.
- Pride will be decorating the community Christmas tree again this year, but will need to purchase more lights. He asked the City to match the cost of the lights. He will come back to the council closer to the time of the event.

Bills:

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

Personnel:

- Kane requested an executive session on personnel
- Motion by Traphagan, second by Zerbe to go into executive session until 8:28 pm on personnel. Motion carried.
- The meeting was called back to order at 8:28 pm. Traphagan stated the executive session was for 5 minutes with no decisions made.

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Reynolds, second by Traphagan to adjourn at 8:29 pm. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk