

Minutes of: 01/20/14

Taken by P Tryon City Clerk _____

Regular Meeting: Time: 7:00pm___ presiding officer ___Mayor Towne _____

Council present: ✓ Reed ✓ Ryan ✓Hudson ✓Curtis ✓ Lister

Employee: ✓ Richardson ✓ Sherwood ✓ Kane Johnson ✓K. Reynolds DeVoe-CA

Visitors: Kandy & Larry Hinck, Marvin Stevens, Randy Piper, Lynne Keefover, Mike Reynolds, Pat Kuney, Pat Cox, Brian & Hinck, Ashton & Talisha Traphagen, Nick Trejo & Jeremy Gaston

Minutes read: Minutes of 1/6/14 meeting were read.

- Motion by Ryan, Second by Curtis. Approve minutes as read.

Pat Cox of B&G Consultants spoke to the council concerning the letter from Governor Brownback concerning the award of a Community Improvement grant of \$500,000 through the Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant.

Dan Fisher of USDA will be at the next council meeting on Feb 3, 2014. He will have a Letter of Conditions to be read and approved.

Police: Chief Kane gave his report for the past two weeks. Chief Kane presented information concerning the Stalker Radar, The City can pay off the radar for \$982.21 with a 2 year warranty or continue to lease at \$72.74 per month. There have been no problems with this unit.

- Motion by Reed, Second by Hudson to buy the Stalker Radar. Motion carried.

Digital Radios required by the Os Co Sheriff- Councilman Curtis asked how the county notified the Carbondale PD- Kane responded that OS CO Sheriff's office had a meeting to notify them. K Renolds asked when the county would be using these radios, Kane notified the council that the OS CO Sheriff's office would start using their radios after all PD in Os Co had their radios, hopefully in Feb or Mar 2014. The county has their radios but are not using them so they can continue to communicate with the police departments in Os Co. Mike Reynolds asked why we needed 8 radios. Discussion followed regarding the two price quotes for the purchase of digital radios. TBS for \$5250.00; TFM bid \$5407.26 including trade-in.

•Motion by Hudson, second by Ryan to buy digital radio offered from TBS for \$5250.00 Motion carried. Chief requested attending training Jan 29-31, 2014 for FTO training@ Shawnee Co Sheriff's Office Training Room, cost is \$140.00. Ryan asked what this training would do for the City of Carbondale. Kane responded that it would give information for standardized training for all the officers,. By attending he would have his full 40 hours of training requires for the year. Citizen Kandy Hinck asked what FTO stood for, Kane informed that it is Field Training Officer Program. Citizen Randy Piper asked if the current officers are qualified, Kane said that those officers that need training when hired would need 6 weeks of training with another officer. Discussion followed concerning the scheduling and doubling of officers.

•Motion by Hudson, second by Reed to send Chief Kane to the training. Lister- did not vote, Ryan and Curtis voted no. Motion carried.

Chief Kane requested a 20 min exec session.

Councilman Ryan has received two phone calls in the past week concerning officers shining lights into house windows, Kim Reynolds also received a call on Friday night 1/17/14 with the same complaint. Chief Kane said there has been a suspicious person in town and apologized for lights shining in the windows. They will try to get the lights adjusted to shine lower. They believe that it is a problem with juveniles and they are texting one another.

Brian Hinck and his daughter had a complaint about a pit bull dog attacking their dog, they called the police Dept at about 1:30 pm but got no response. Bryan caught up with Chief Kane around 4:45. Chief Kane explained that he was getting bids for the digital radios and running errands for the city. Mr. Hinck was concerned that there was no police coverage today while kids were out of school. Councilman Curtis asked who was on duty today. Chief Kane responded that he was on duty, Councilman Curtis feels that the council should take over the scheduling of employees for the Police Dept. Bryan Hinck asked what the backup plan is for the city when no officer is available. Councilman Ryan recommended that they call 911 when no city officer is available, especially in an emergency situation like a dog attack. Councilman Curtis asked if Chief Kane confirmed that someone was working on 12/26/13- no cars were moved but hours were charged for payroll. There were no car tracks and icicles were hanging from the car. Having no police coverage is a constant problem, there is no trust for the Police Department . Councilman Curtis would rather replace officers that add to the force at this time. Councilman Ryan noted that there are 4 invoices that need a PO from the Police Department. One invoice is for a M14 Rifle. Citizen Marvin Stevens questioned why we needed an M-14 Rifle, discussion followed about the ammunition needed and the use of such an item here in Carbondale.

Maintenance: Kevin Richardson reported.

The plumbing at the water plant has been replaced due to heating problems. The Maintenance Dept is also replacing outdated meters- there are approximately 53 in Carbondale.

He will have the prices for the replacement of the heating system at the next council meeting on Feb 3, 2014.

Richardson questioned the clothing allowance that was approved on 2/4/13 to confirm the policy. Each employee would wear jeans of their choice, matching shirts with names. Councilman Curtis suggested that they wear steel-toe shoes. Discussion followed.

- Motion by Curtis, second by Reed that the maintenance employees be allowed \$150.00 per person for safety shoes to be worn.

- Motion by Lister, Finalize: total of \$750.00 / employee / year, \$600.00 per employee for clothing allowance per year, \$150.00 per employee for safety shoes/boots. Employees would need to present a receipt to receive reimbursement, renewed annually, no need to request from the council each year. second by Curtis, motion approved.

Citizen Kandy Hinck asked if there was a water problem, she has been smelling chlorine in the mornings. Richardson said the maintenance dept has been repairing pipes she is smelling _____

Other Departments

Library: Lynn Keefover reported. The Library had a Holiday Open House in December. Ron Fike was Santa and FBLA students were elves.

Since the weather has been so cold they have been delivering library books to those that are shut-in. A game night is planned for April.

Kansas Sampler Festival, discussion followed. Motion by Curtis, second by Lister to participate (Richardson & Sherwood volunteered to help with the booth), also contact the City of Burlingame about partnering for this event.

Other:

Estensions: Three citizens requested extensions for their water/sewer/trash bills.

- Motion by Lister, second by Reed to approve all extension requests. Motion carried.

Carbondale Pet Clinic is researching how to get a water meter with the City. RWD #5 has turned her down for a meter. Until this time the clinic has shared the meter with the house next door. That is now under new ownership and the Pet Clinic needs a separate meter. Discussion followed, since the owner was not in attendance there was no decision.

Lawnmower Demo Derby Ashton Traphagan is requesting a permanent site with a building & lights for the Demo Derby. Carbondale has become a hub for the local area for the Lawnmower Demo Derby. They would like to have 3 or 4 derbys per year. They would need an area approximately 60x60. The Lions club would also like to have a carnival on the new park property. Ashton noted that he knows electricians that would donate their labor to help with the expense of lights, they are currently renting lighting.

Councilman Ryan has been researching grant information to fit our needs, but noted that we need a master plan. Ryan recommended using the land north of the tree line for this years derby and asked Ashton to come back possible dates for derbys, a carnival could be possible in 2015.

8:32 break for 10 min.

Executive Session:

- motion by Ryan, second by Hudson for one hour executive session. Motion passed.

Employee evaluations:

9:17 Richardson in

9:27 Richardson out, Sherwood in

9:33 Sherwood out, Reynolds in

9:37 Reynolds out, Tryon in

9:40 a 30 min extension was requested

9:55 Kane in

10:08 applicant for PD (Edin) in

10:10 executive session closed

Regular meeting reopened @ 10:11pm in Exec session for 1.5 hours with no decisions.

•Motion by Ryan, All employees were reviewed, all salaries will remain the same with the exception of Paula Tryon she will get an 86 cent / hour raise, effective 1/27/14. Second by Hudson, motion carried.

•Motion by Reed to hire Officer Eden @ \$13.70/hr effective 1/26/14, 86 hours per pay period. Second by Curtis. Motion carried.

Approval of bills: Motion by Curtis_____, second by Hudson, motion carried.

Adjourn: Time: 10:15pm Motion by Ryan, second by Hudson. Meeting adjourned, motion carried.