

**Council Meeting** 09/03/2024

Minutes taken by Emily Bessette, City Clerk

**Meeting:** Time: 7:00 PM

Presiding Officer: Mayor Anthony DaPrato

Council Present: Kaitlyn Ball, Kevin Seals, Ronald Moeller

Council Absent: Chad Moore, Cheryl Lister

Attorney Barnes: Absent

Employees: Shannon Seals, Emily Bessette, Dustin Bretsnyder, Ashley Madden

Visitors: None

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Anthony DaPrato.

**Lance Haws**

Lance had a water leak in his rental house, acct number 0130. The water did not go down the sewer and flooded his home. An average of this last five months of sewer rates would be \$33.67. He is requesting that his next bill sewer rate is adjusted to that average rate. He will pay for the water. Discussion was made and stated that the City of Carbondale no longer adjust bills. They are willing to do a payment plan if needed.

**KDHE Lead Service Line Inventory**

KDHE is doing a survey of what material water lines are made of. Survey's have been mailed out to every community member. This is a mandatory survey.

**Maintenance**

New mower was covered by warranty. Shock absorbers were replaced. Skid loader is safe to use for a few things with light work but does need broken spring replaced.

Dustin's truck has a broken brake line. It will go to Carbondale Tire and Auto 09/4/2024.

Tractor is getting done, it had a wrong part on it that was installed previously.

Water plant is running well.

They are looking into pricing a twelve-foot section to East Lake dock.

Planer is still in Wichita.

**Lion's Club**

Kelli Moore submitted a letter to council with updates on Lions Club Fall Fest.

Main Street Bargains needs to spray weeds or Lion's Club can get permission from them to do so.

Lions club wishes to put barricades on the corners on 4<sup>th</sup> and Main St., Alleys on 3<sup>rd</sup> by Library and Down Home Auto and 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main.

Port-a-Potties by City Hall at SE corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main Street.

Generator to Cotton O'Neil on Saturday at Noon.

Motion by Ball to allow Lion's Club to close streets from 1:00 pm to 11:00 pm and contact Main Street Bargains. They may decorate street poles but needs to be taken down the following day, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Seals, motion carried.

### **Broadcasting Council Meetings**

Hold until next meeting

### **Police**

Chief Seals would like to hire a part time Code Enforcement Officer. She presented an ad for the position. The pay is \$18.00 a hour part-time, year round position. Motion by Ball to approve Police Department to hire a part-time Code Enforcement Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Seals. Open until filled.

Mariah Shultz is doing great at academy. She graduates October 4<sup>th</sup> and anyone is welcome to attend.

Police2Peace is a transformational program uniting police departments and communities around programs that uplift and heal them by advancing rightful policing that's effective, empathetic and just. Community involvement is key.

Faith and Blue is an agency which It is about deepening engagements between officers and residents to transform communities. It connects residents and law enforcement officers through faith-based organizations to build safer and stronger communities. Chief Seals is meeting with all the local churches to do an activity.

Safe Track is program through BNSF that works with communities on railroad safety and crossing safely. The campaign runs September 23<sup>rd</sup> through September 29<sup>th</sup>. Should there be a train stopped on the tracks citizens should contact "Report Problem or Emergency to 1-800-832-5452 X-Ing 005982S", for the Main Street crossing. All other crossings have a blue sign located on them with those individual locations crossing number.

Gilbert is Chief Seals community therapy dog. He continues learning and is scheduled October 23<sup>rd</sup> to complete good citizen training. He is a ten-month-old Bernadoodle. He provides comfort to a lot of people.

### **Zoning**

Dillon Fleming has been the zoning administrator since September 2021. At that time, it was discussed at the 09/23/21 meeting that zoning would be voting in a Zoning Administrator at the October 2021 meeting at the pay rate of \$200 a month. Dillon became the Zoning Administrator in October 2021. He reached out to a previous City Clerk, who is no longer with the City, about his pay and has received zero compensation for his work. Motion by Ball to back pay Dillon Fleming from October 2021 for 34 months at \$200 a month equaling \$7,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Moeller, Motion carried. To be paid out of general funds. Questions on 1099 if he needs to receive just one for current year or if they need to be back dated.

Melvin Hicks needs more time on building his single-family duplex. Motion by Ball to approve building permit for Melvin Hicks at 113 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street to build a single-family duplex dwelling, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Seals, motion carried.

Discussion on Wegz building a shed. Needs to complete a zoning permit for further discussion.

Carol Flesching would like to put in a shed as well as a fence at 115 S Topeka Ave. Motion by K. Seals to allow Flesching to put up a fence and storage shed at 115 S. Topeka Ave, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ball, Motion carried. Dillon will be following up to get more information as well.

New Development- Four new houses are being inspected for plumbing and electrical.

Elite Plumbing, Bret Conklin, is doing plumbing inspections.

Jim with Velocity Electric is doing plumbing inspections.

Contractors will pay inspectors directly.

Occupancy permits are \$50.

#### **Notes and FYI**

No discussion

#### **Motion to approve extension request**

None.

#### **Motion for looking at bills**

Motion by K. Seals that council looked at the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ball. Motion carried.

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 7:55pm by K. Seals, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ball, motion carried.