**Council Meeting** 10/21/2024

Minutes taken by Emily Bessette, City Clerk

**Meeting Time**: 7:00 PM

Presiding Officer: Mayor DaPrato

Council Present: Kevin Seals, Ronald Moeller, Chad Moore

Council Absent: Kaitlyn Ball, Cheryl Lister

Attorney Barnes: Present

Employees: Shannon Seals, Emily Bessette, Dustin Bretsnyder, Dillon Fleming

Visitors: Per Registry

**Call to Order**

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

**Approval of the minutes**

Motion by K. Seals to approve the minutes for 10/7/2024 with corrections, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

**Zoning**

Shed permit for Anthony DaPrato. Motion by K. Seals to allow DaPrato to add an addition shed per diagram on zoning permit, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

**Mr. Staab**

Mr. Staab does community engagement with the senior class at Santa Fe Trail High school. He had different ideas to help Carbondale. He would like to paint the gazebo at the city park. There was discussion on some boards needing replaced and maintenance will follow up on that. The roof does need replaced as well but that is not something the seniors can help with at this time. They will stain/paint the gazebo white.

They would like to take the flowers and weeds out of the flower bed and mulch it.

They would like to remove weeds along the train tracks on the east side of the park.

At the ball diamonds they would like to prime and paint the crow’s nest and put a new coat on the bleachers. There are some boards needing replaced that they will not be able to help with.

In the future they would like to paint the bathrooms at the ball diamond as well.

Discussion on anything with the ball diamonds will need approval from Rec.

Consensus to allow Mr. Staab and his students to paint the gazebo, remove flowers and to add mulch at the city park.

There was a question on if paddle boarders were allowed on East Lake “Strowbridge Reservoir”. Council was in consensus that paddle boarders were allowed with it being a recreation lake. They did advise Mr. Staab there was a section of the lake designated no wake.

**Codification**

Ordinance No 746-2014 showed last codification was completed by The League of Kansas Municipalities.

American Legal has been contacted but has not sent an email quote and has had poor communication.

Attorney Barnes recommended a group called Ransom.

**218 & 220 Main**

April Gleason was notified to be at the council meeting and stated she would be. She is not present. There had been a complaint of a foul smell and mosquitos coming out of a broken window on the front of the building. Discussion on how to proceed with nuisance complaints and the status of previous city attorney. Attorney Barnes stated City Code needs to be strictly followed. If they are unable to access the building, they will need to get a search warrant for the property as it is a safety concern.

**Employee Handbook**

Employee handbook continues to be redrafted and updated.

11/4/2024 Due to City Hall

11/20/2024 Final Draft

11/25/2024 6:00 PM Special Meeting

12/16/2024 Finalized Copy Sent out

1/1/2025 Go Live

**Maintenance**

Norris Street ended up costing extra making the street project roughly $14,000 over original bid. Killough will be emailing an exact amount but as of now City Clerk or Bretsnyder has not seen that bill come through.

Buoys are in at the lake. They did need swivels added as one came loose.

Roller that was rented was returned.

Kansas street is okay.

Moore and Moeller noticed the Merry-go-round at the park was tilted. This was the first Bretsnyder had heard of it and will caution tape it off after meeting if needed.

One of the springs on the overhead door at maintenance snapped and needs replaced. This is a safety issue. Bretsnyder will get pricing and contact the mayor. Mayor can then email council members individually to get approval of replacement amount.

**Executive Session**

Motion by K. Seals to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to convene at 8:14pm at the same location. Council, attorney, and Chief Seals to remain present. 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

Resumed regular meeting at 8:14pm with no decisions made.

**Police Department**

K. Seals made a motion to hire Brady Allison as Carbondale Code Enforcement Officer working up to 30 hours per week at the rate of $18.00 per hour. 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

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**Follow up**

Council wanted an update on ADT. If they are unable to get the locksmith issue resolved in one week they will need to come back to a council meeting.

Discussion on where ordinances need to be published. Barnes stated they can be posted on the City’s official website as an official publication. There was talk on how much is being spent for the Osage Hearld and that all publications and ads need to go through city council. Barnes can draft an ordinance stating where ordinances are to be published. He strongly recommended not taking business away from the local newspaper. In small towns sponsoring 4H ads, school events and publishing is what keeps the newspaper alive.

**Notes and FYI**

No discussion

**Motion for looking at bills**

Motion by K. Seals that council looked at the bills, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

**Motion to Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn at 8:40pm by K. Seals, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.