

December 6, 2010

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

Council present: Fulton, Vawter, Makowski, M Reynolds. Absent: G Reed.

Employees & visitors: Richardson, Kearney, K Reynolds, Attorney DeVoe; Kandy Hinck, Lee Curtis, Richard Tatro, Susie Whalen.

The minutes from 11-15-10 were read. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Vawter to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

At 7:06 PM, motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton to close the regular session & open the public hearing for the 2010 budget amendment. Motion carried. The clerk explained the amendment to Special Highway was budgeted in 2009, but not spent; \$80,000 towards street repairs. The Bond & Interest expenditures were for the construction of the swimming pool, because figures were not available for the budget. A Swimming Pool fund was created for better tracking purposes. Comments & questions were taken. At 7:12 PM, motion by Fulton, second by Makowski to close the public hearing & reopen the regular session. Motion carried.

Motion by Makowski, second by Vawter to approve the 2010 budget amendment; 3 in favor, M Reynolds abstained. Motion carried.

Police: Officer Kearney reported. Chief Reed will go over stats at the next meeting. At the first meeting in January, he will bring up the purchase of another car.

Richardson informed the council of repairs to the carbon feed system at the water plant. The work at the police building has been completed except for some drywall work inside. A contractor was hired to install the window, because the block wall was not stable. The lock on the West Lake gate was cut last Thursday. It has been replaced with a solid steel lock. Work on the drainage in front of the post office is scheduled to begin Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> & should take about 7 days to complete. Emcon has completed the seeding. Motion by Fulton, second by Makowski to pay Emcon. Motion carried.

The water service line for Southside Liquor was hit by a contractor doing sewer work at a nearby property. It caused a leak on the customer side of the meter. Discussion of who is responsible for collecting the cost of the water caused by the leak. The attorney stated the customer would be responsible for collecting the cost of the water & sewer charges, not the City.

The attorney stated, because a formal petition was filed to vacate streets & alleys, a public hearing must be held. The notice must be published at least 20 days before the hearing. Motion by M Reynolds, second by Makowski to set the hearing for January 17, 2011 on the vacation of streets & alleys in Edgar & Jenness Add. blocks 4, 7, 14. Motion carried.

The council reviewed a request to reimburse for mileage to KLETC. The clerk stated the request must be handled in an open meeting. Past policy has been to reimburse for half of the mileage when unauthorized use of personnel vehicles has occurred. Vawter stated there appeared to be a miscommunication between the part-time officers on the travel arrangements, but it should have been corrected by the second week. Motion by Vawter, second by Fulton to pay half of the reimbursement request. Motion carried.

Motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton to approve the 2011 CMB license for Casey's. Motion carried.

A letter from the owner of 421 North St was reviewed & discussed. Motion by Fulton, second by Vawter to grant a 6-month extension to remove the trailer for the property. Motion carried.

Motion by M Reynolds, second by Fulton to go into executive session until 7:52 PM, with attorney & clerk present, to discuss pending legal action. Motion carried. The meeting was called back to order at 7:52 PM. Fulton stated the executive session was for 10 minutes with no decisions made.

Motion by Makowski, second by Fulton to pay all approved bills. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, motion by Fulton, second by Vawter to adjourn at 7:53 PM. Motion carried.

Sandra Schiffelbein, City Clerk