

Council Meeting 3/21/2022

Minutes taken by Trisha Breese, City Treasurer

Meeting: Time: 7:00pm Presiding officer: Mayor John Ryan

Council present: Ryan, Shreve, Seals, Lister, Sitz, Moore

Atty Vignery: Absent

Employees: Hill, Kampsen, Kreshel, Breese, A Shreve, S Seals

Visitors: Heather Kuder, Russ Mayfield, Julie Kampsen, Aaron White, Kristi Pickett, Tony Juarez, Travis Norris, Randy Hansen & Michael Jenkins

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Mayor John Ryan.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes for the council meeting on 3/7/2022 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Lister, 2nd by Seals to approve the minutes as read, motion carried.

Randy Hansen appeared to discuss the charges from the Vet regarding his dog at large ticket. Council reviewed Chapter II regarding Animal Control and Regulation ordinance and determined fees assessed by the Vet cannot be resolved by the Council. Mr. Hansen must take this concern up with the Vet.

Letter from the Ortega family was given to the council and noted.

Heather Kuder attended as the representative for Osage County. Recent Osage County updates include the instatement of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program to provide incentives to upgrade or invest in the community. As of January, 2022, the new Economic Development Director is Amanda Kohlman. Also, Christine Foster has been appointed as the County Treasurer and Glenn Tyson has retired as the Road and Bridge Director with Ryan Fine appointed to take his place. The county is looking into establishing a Community Advisory Board with one member from each city to provide input on commercial, recreational and residential opportunities for the county. The Law Enforcement Center is accepting applications until March 25th, 2022 for a construction management company. Land and Development is looking into updating regulations regarding lot splits. Heather advised noxious weed chemicals are difficult to get right now and the city may want to look into alternative avenues to obtain them.

Cornerstone Church- Russell Mayfield attended on behalf of the church. He stated he has tried to attain assistance for the bill but has been unsuccessful. Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to allow until April 20th to pay the balance in full, motion carried.

Michael Jenkins stated he is removing the roosters and ducks by May 9th but would like to keep his laying hens (12-14) to be able to donate eggs to seniors. The council reviewed Ordinance# 2-301 regarding Other Animals and Fowl. Council advised only 6 hens are approved and an exception cannot be made. Mr. Jenkins stated he may be moving out of city limits but not due to the council's decision.

Aaron White-Mr. White had a water leak on his side that has been repaired. He requested assistance with the bill totaling \$501.60. Motion failed to forgive partial charges as follows, \$182.30(water), \$60.96(sewer), \$13.75(trash) and \$1.34(wp) with No's from Lister, Seals and Moore, Yes from Sitz and Shreve. Motion by Seals, 2nd by Moore to spread the charges out over 6 months with \$83.60 added to each regular monthly bill until paid in full, motion carried.

Annexation-Attorney Vignery was unable to attend. Mayor Ryan asked to move annexation discussion to the next meeting. Council agreed.

Longenecker property-Weather has been a hindrance but demolition is about 90% complete with approximately 4 hours left to be done. A dumpster will be delivered to begin removal.

Police

Chief Shannon Seals reported for the police department

Kampsen-Chief Seals presented Officer Kampsen with a Special Service Award for his exemplary dedication to special investigations, attention to department goals, and contribution to the safety of the citizens of Carbondale, the state of Kansas and beyond. She stated his dedication is an example we should all aspire to be.

Evidence Room-Chief advised they are waiting for nice weather to finish moving evidence over to the new office. She stated it should take about a day.

Police Office Remodel-Chief stated they will be under budget for the remodel.

KTag-Suggestion to attain KTag's for police vehicles. Autumn will get this setup for the Police Department.

Vehicle Maintenance-Chief Seals advised the vehicles are running well at this time.

Security Cameras-Councilman Seals advised he spoke with someone to see if the original cameras already purchased will work. Attorney Vignery would like to offer her diversion funds to use if new cameras are required. Mayor Ryan would like to hear from Ms. Vignery directly regarding the diversion funds.

Motion by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, Seals abstained to approve reimbursement to Falicity Garner in the amounts of \$17.00 on March 18th, \$46.27 on March 13th, and to Chief Seals for \$260.47 on March 3rd, motion carried.

Maintenance

Jordan Hill reported for maintenance.

Dam Inspection-Dustin has not heard back from BG Consultants but does think the inspection will be completed the first week of April.

KRWA Water Conference-Jordan Hill and Joshua Shreve will leave Monday, March 28th and attend the conference in Wichita through March 31st. Jordan will take his test on the 31st and both will return home afterwards.

Brush Hog-estimates are still needed to rent a brush hog for clean up at the dam per previous meeting.

Vehicle Maintenance-Joshua's truck had the fuel filter replaced but may have a transmission issue as it keeps giving transmission codes. Councilman Shreve suggested we may need to budget a new maintenance vehicle in 2023.

Schulte Supply-Travis Norton and Tony Jaurez attended to present the council information on different AMR water meter options using the Neptune 360 meters. An estimate of \$133,961.60 was provided to the council but does not include the cost of installation or new/modified meter lids. Mr. Norton also stated an upgrade to the current Jayhawk software may be required and would be the responsibility of the city. The council discussed the different options for meters. More estimates are needed before any decisions will be made.

Maintenance Logo-Jordan informed the council that Ashley Madden created a logo for the Maintenance Department. The logo was imprinted onto polo shirts for Jordan and Joshua to wear at the KRWA conference. Jordan advised the logo could also be placed on the maintenance vehicles. The council asked Jordan to bring images of the logo to the next meeting.

Other Departments

Neighborhood Revitalization Program-The council discussed the benefits to the community if Carbondale participates in the program. No decision was made.

Department of Commerce Registry-A registry for parcels of land that could be used for development is available on the Dept of Commerce website. The council stated this could be a good tool to make the city more visible for expansion.

Ridgeway Demolition-No bids were received to demolish and remove the structure at 122 W Ridgeway. Suggestion to send bids to local companies to be opened during the April 18th Council Meeting.

Extension Requests- Motion by Seals, 2nd by Sitz to approve all extension requests, motion carried.

There was discussion on the bill process and a couple of bills.

Bills-Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to approve all bill payments, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 9:39pm by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.