

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday February 17, 2026 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Pro-Tem Hollie LaVigne called the meeting to order with the following present: Anita Francis, Walter Hayes, Bob McAfee, David Pyle, James Shanks, Roger Spencer, and Carole Wofford. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Alaina Wright and Assistant Crystal Winkfield. Hollie LaVigne announced that Officer Todd Gaines passed away and to keep his family in prayers.

### **AGENDA**

David Pyle motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Roger Spencer motioned to approve the consent agenda. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no one present for public forum.

### **ORDINANCES**

David Pyle motioned to put “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT/STATEMENT OF WORK, BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI AND CIVICPLUS, LLC., A KANSAS LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, TO HOST/ARCHIVE AGENDAS AND BOARD PACKETS FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS FOR THE SUM OF \$39,533.98 AS PROVIDED IN THE STATEMENT OF WORK; PROVIDING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT/STATEMENT OF WORK FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI” on first reading by title only. Carole Wofford seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Discussion: Hollie LaVigne said this was discussed at the budget meeting. Alaina Wright said this would be a way to make council meetings and council packets and agendas more open and available to the public. She said this would be used to broadcast the meetings and would help make the recordings of the meetings easier to navigate. Hollie LaVigne asked is the 3% upcharge would still be involved since it was now a three year contract and Alaina Wright said yes, but it did go from 5% to 3% and that CivicPlus said that rate was negotiable once the contract ended. Roger Spencer asked if it was a one time cost and Alaina said that the \$39,533.98 would be the total paid out over three years.

Roger Spencer motioned to put it on second reading. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

David Pyle motioned to put it on final passage. Bob McAfee seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Francis-yes, LaVigne-yes, McAfee-yes, Spencer-yes, Pyle-yes, Hayes-yes, Wofford-yes, Shanks-yes. Motion on Ordinance #26-01 was approved by roll call vote, signed by the Mayor, attested by the City Clerk and made a part of the permanent records of the City of Carl Junction.

### **REPORTS**

Long-Term Project report – Steve Lawver said the lighting estimate is approximately \$35,000, which would include wires, conduit, and lights. He said the used poles are no longer available so he will have to look for more. James Shanks asked if the \$35,000 included new poles and Steve Lawver said no.

Steve Lawver said the west end of the pavilion is already in bad shape from the sun beating down on it constantly. James Shanks asked if the sunshades at the splashpad are retractable and Steve Lawver said no.

Treasurer’s report – No discussion.

Police Dept. report – Chief McCall said Officer Gaines passed away shortly after his shift on Monday morning. Chief McCall said the funeral would be Saturday at 11:00 at Friskel Funeral Home in Frontenac. Carole Wofford asked how long the car will be parked in the front parking lot in memorial and Chief McCall said it would be until after the funeral. Chief McCall said 7:00 am –5:00 pm Jasper County will be covering calls in the city so the entire department can go to the funeral.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Budget/Finance: Walter Hayes had nothing to report.

Code/ Nuisance: Carole Wofford said there needs to be a meeting at 6:30 pm on March 3 for increases in water meter prices.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities & Planning: David Pyle had nothing to report.

Economic Development: Hollie LaVigne had nothing to report.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Steve Lawver said we need to set a budget/public facilities joint meeting on March 17 at 6:00 pm.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Hollie Lavigne issued a proclamation to have the flags lowered to half-staff in honor of Officer Gaines until 5:00 pm on the day of his internment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Roger Spencer motioned to adjourn the meeting. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

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