

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday February 22, 2022 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: Jim Gozia, Bob McAfee, Rick Flinn, Roger Spencer, and Ladonna Allen. Mike Burns, Gary Stubblefield and Mark Satterlee were absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Alaina Wright and City Administrator Assistant Crystal Winkfield.

AGENDA

Roger Spencer motioned to approve the agenda as presented. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent. Roger Spencer motioned to approve the consent agenda. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

PUBLIC FORUM

Carol Walker, 207 Verbruyck-She wanted to say she loves Republic Services and has never had a problem with their services.

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR ZERO TURN MOWER

Steve Lawver said they went out for bids for a zero-turn mower and received three bids: Anderson Car & Tractor for \$15,349.00, Heartland Tractor for \$15,975.00, and Crown Power Equipment for \$16,800.00. Steve said Anderson Car & Tractor had the low bid and that's what he and Jay Morton are recommending. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept the bid from Anderson Car & Tractor. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR AT 813 JOPLIN STREET

Steve Lawver said one of the overhead doors has some significant issues and needs to be repaired. He said we received three bids: Falk Construction & Garage Door for \$4,080.00, Overhead Door Company for \$4,391.00, and Four State Door for \$4,481.00. Steve said Falk Construction & Garage Door had the low bid and he and Jay Morton are recommending accepting that bid. Roger Spencer motioned to accept the bid from Falk Construction & Garage Door. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR SOLID WASTE REMOVAL

Steve Lawver said we received three bids. For residential service, Shorts Trash Service bid \$17.45/month with no annual increase, Republic Services bid \$11.14/month for the first year with an annual 3.5% increase, and GFL/WCA bid \$11.09/month for the first year with a CPI based annual increase. LaDonna Allen said Republic Services included a recycling receptacle option and she asked for more information. The representative from Republic Services said it would be an enclosed roll-off container and the city could choose its' location. She said it would have space for paper, tin, and cardboard. LaDonna Allen asked if that option would involve a \$.35 price increase per resident and the Republic Services representative said yes. Mayor Powers said of the three bids, Shorts is not competitive with the other two bids. He said the other two bids are competitive the first year, but after that Republic Services has a 3.5% increase each year. Mayor Powers said GFL/WCA offered an annual increase based on CPI, which has been 4.5% the past two years. He said he feels the best value is to go with the bid from Republic Services. Mayor Powers said Republic Services offered the city a 5% franchise fee, but he would not recommend accepting that and said it would be better to pass a 5% savings to the commercial customers. LaDonna Allen said there's been a lot of positive feedback from residents for Republic Services. Rick Flinn said he received an email with praise for Republic's customer service. Mike Talley asked if this would be a new contract versus extending the current contract with Republic. Steve Lawver said extending the current contract would be a higher rate. Steve said this is a five-year contract with a five-year extension option. Mike Talley said a new ordinance would need to be enacted prior to signing the contract. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept the bid from Republic Services. Jim Gozia seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR HOT FOOD SERVING COUNTER/TABLE FOR THE SENIOR CENTER

Steve Lawver said the hot food serving counter in the Senior Center is broken and cannot be fixed. He said they received two bids: 5 Star Food Equipment for \$6,771.60, and Joe Harding for \$7,025.00. Steve said 5 Star Food Equipment was the low bid and he is recommending that bid. Mayor Powers questioned where the money would come from and Steve said it would be the Community Center equipment accrual fund. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept the bid from 5 Star Food Equipment. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR CENTER CREEK CROSSING SEWER REPAIR

Steve Lawver said Allgeier Martin provided a breakdown of the bids. We received three bids: Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking for \$246,450.42, Goins Enterprises for \$501,200.00, and Kenny Singer Construction for \$535,394.00. Steve said they are recommending Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, who was the low bid. Steve said they can also start immediately, where the other companies said it would take six to eight months for them to begin work. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept the bid from Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

ORDINANCES

LaDonna Allen motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI AND JEFF ASBELL EXCAVATING & TRUCKING, INC. TO COMMENCE AND COMPLETE THE 2022 CENTER CREEK CROSSING SEWER REPAIR AS DIRECTED BY THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND

FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND FORTY-TWO CENTS (\$246,450.42); AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI" on 1st reading by title only. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Jim Gozia seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

Roger Spencer motioned to put it on final passage. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

McAfee-yes, Stubblefield-absent, Flinn-yes, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-absent, Satterlee-absent, Gozia-yes. Motion on Ordinance #22-02 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

The Council reviewed the Administration report. Steve Lawver said Allgeier Martin would be doing some stormwater training because of some of the recent changes from DNR.

Treasurer's Report - No discussion.

Public Works report - No report.

Police Dept. report - Rick Flinn asked about the cyanide that was dropped off in the prescription drop off box. Roger Spencer asked about the stolen vehicle that was located inside city limits.

Bldg Insp report - No report.

Court report - No discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: Ladonna Allen said the budget process should be done now and that we hope to include a copy of the proposed budget at the March 1 meeting.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn had nothing to report.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer said there's a closed meeting later.

Public Facilities & Planning: Bob McAfee said there needs to be a meeting before the next council meeting on March 1 at 6:30 PM.

Senior Citizens: Gary Stubblefield was absent. Richard Garrett said the Lions Club breakfast will give their proceeds from the March 5th breakfast to the Senior Center and will be having a bake sale in the hallway. He also said March 10 will be tip day at CJ drive in.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Lawver said there's an updated list for the list of projects for ARP funds and he took off all low priority items because we need to add water line replacement to that list.

NEW BUSINESS

LaDonna Allen and Jim Gozia discussed the legislative conference they attended in Jefferson City.

LaDonna Allen said she also had a conversation with someone in Billy Long's office about the state lowering a levy when there is new construction in town. LaDonna Allen was informed the auditor's office doesn't have the authority to override the levy passed by the voters. Mike Talley said he would like to have the names of cities who have done this so he can research it.

Alaina Wright said there is a resident who was given an extension to pay a water bill in June 2021 because of a leak who now wants the penalties and late fees forgiven. Mayor Powers said he is against forgiving the fees because the resident was not paying extra each month to pay off the water bill. LaDonna Allen said he shouldn't have waited to call on his bill since he saw the amount was going up each month. Mike Talley said the city shouldn't be forgiving debts. He also said to avoid litigation, the city could make an exception, or come up with a compromise for a particular dollar amount. Mike Talley said if there's an opportunity to resolve the situation, it could be beneficial for the city. Rick Flinn motioned to offer the resident a payoff of \$672.81 that is good until midnight on Monday February 28 and if the it is not paid by then he will owe the full \$1040.38. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent.

Steve Lawver said we will need to go for bid on a salt spreader.

CLOSED SESSION PER RSMO 610.021 (3): HIRING, FIRING, DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES BY A PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHEN PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED

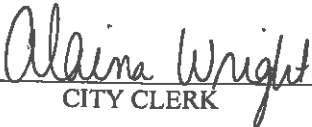
LaDonna Allen motioned to go into closed session. Bob McAfee seconded. Roll call vote: McAfee-yes, Stubblefield-absent, Flinn-yes, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-absent, Satterlee-absent, Gozia-yes. Council went into closed session at 8:12 PM.

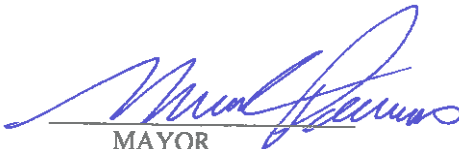
Council meeting reconvened at 8:33 PM.

Mayor Powers said there was no action or vote taken, but they did have a discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Roger Spencer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with three absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR