

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 30, 2026 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

1. Roll Call

Mayor Tom Paul called the meeting to order with the following present: Anita Francis, Walter Hayes, Hollie LaVigne, David Pyle, Roger Spencer, and Carole Wofford. Bob McAfee and James Shanks were absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Alaina Wright and Assistant Crystal Winkfield.

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation

3. Approve Agenda

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

4. Consent Agenda

Walter Hayes motioned to approve the consent agenda. Carole Wofford seconded. All in favor. No opposed with two absent.

a. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

b. Approval of disbursements

5. Public Forum

3597 W Fountain - Valeria Figueroa - Ms. Figueroa said the Leo Club voted to use some of their funds from volunteer activities to donate \$100 toward the mural and presented a \$100 donation to the Board.

6. P&Z Cases

a. Case 26-07 — Preliminary Plat: Wild Flower Estates — Nick & Tiffany Gratton

Nick Gratton was present for discussion. Steve Lawver said P&Z met on this last week and are recommending approval.

Nick Gratton said it is 32 lots running along Ivy & Roney. He's planning to build single-family homes. Tom Paul asked if engineering was done and Gratton said yes.

Carole Wofford asked how quickly they would get to start working, and Nick said he hoped they would be ready soon.

Walter Hayes motioned to approve the preliminary plat for Wild Flower Estates. Carole Wofford seconded. All in favor. No opposed with two absent.

7. Appointments

a. Appoint Travis Truelove as new police officer

Chief McCall said Travis lives inside city limits and is working for Oklahoma Probation & Parole in Miami. He got his law enforcement certification in Oklahoma and was able to take the POST certification test for his Missouri certification. Chief McCall said Sgt. Dickey did his background checks and he has excellent recommendations.

Mayor Paul said he would like to appoint Travis Truelove as a police officer.

David Pyle motioned to approve Mayor Paul's appointment. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed with two absent.

8. Reports

a. Long-Term Project Report

David Pyle asked about the timeline for working on prioritizing and setting the schedule for street projects. Steve Lawver said as soon as the public facilities can meet and go over the recommendations. He said Jay Morton is working on a list as well.

b. Department reports

Chief McCall said there was a line that came off the storm siren on Copper Oaks. He says Liberty has reattached it, but they haven't been able to test it again due to weather.

Carole Wofford asked why the storm sirens sounded twice on Saturday night. Chief McCall said he was looking at

the policy at other agencies they will set them off until the threat is passed. Mayor Paul asked if the tornado tag was added by the National Weather Service and Chief McCall said yes. Walter Hayes asked how many officers are still needed after Officer Truelove was appointed tonight, and Chief McCall said two, but the new position added in May is one of the two.

Hollie LaVigne thanked Public Works for the hard work on getting the limbs picked up. Carole Wofford thanked them for opening the gates on Sunday also. Chief McCall said he appreciated Public Works because they immediately worked with officers to get roads cleared that were blocked by trees.

c. Committee reports

Budget & Finance: Walter Hayes had nothing to report.

Code & Nuisance: Alaina Wright said there would be training on the General Code review website Friday June 19, from 8:30-9:30 am.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities: David Pyle had nothing to report.

Hollie LaVigne said there was a meeting with Retail Strategies earlier today. Steve Lawver said they looked at the 32 acres and took some drone shots, and he said they looked at the Commercial Property on Fir Road. He said they gave them numbers for realtors in the area. Steve said they recommended hiring a commercial realtor and getting it on the market. He said there's approximately \$31,200 / acre invested in the property currently.

9. Unfinished Business

David Pyle pointed out the Leo Club that donated earlier is the youth affiliate to the Lions Club. He said Ms. Figueroa was a recent graduate of Carl Junction, and he said he's proud of her work.

Steve Lawver said painted tiles for the mosaic mural are starting to come back into City Hall, and they are getting separated into their colors. He said thank you to the Leo Club and the Junior High summer school art class because they have been great participants.

Jay Morton said he's going to build a burn pile on the 32 acres so they don't have to take debris on the highway. He said they will burn on the 98 acres in Briarbrook also.

Mayor Paul thanked the police department and public works for their hard work after the storm. He also thanked the high school football players and Coach Hafner for their work. Jay Morton said the football players were helpful to residents.

10. New Business

Carole Wofford thanked the citizens for pitching in since Saturday night.

Hollie LaVigne said there would not be another meeting until after July 4th. She said on July 3rd there's a decorating event at The Well for bicycles and the parade is July 4th and the fireworks are that night at the Briarbrook clubhouse. She also said there's a Lions Club breakfast on July 4 before the parade.

Chief McCall said they started upgrading laptops in the police vehicles to Getac computers. He said the Lenovo's are surplus and some of the officers are interested in purchasing those for their families, and he wasn't sure what was necessary. Steve Lawver said they could be deemed as surplus and be offered to employees. Mike Talley said he would like to look into it more and make sure that's acceptable.

A resident from the audience said Sherri Lane would be a better entrance to the 32 acres off 171 & Gum.

11. Adjournment

David Pyle motioned to adjourn the meeting. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed with two absent. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

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MAYOR