

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday April 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: Jim Gozia, Bob McAfee, Roger Spencer, Ladonna Allen, Mike Burns, Mark Satterlee and Gary Stubblefield. Rick Flinn was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Maribeth Matney, Deputy City Clerk Alaina Wright and City Administrator Assistant Crystal Winkfield.

AGENDA

Steve Lawver asked to strike item 10(d) because it is not ready to be presented to the board. Mike Burns motioned to amend the agenda to remove item 10(d) and approve as amended. Mark Satterlee seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

PUBLIC FORUM

Tommy Kitch-403 N. Grimes was present to say he has an issue with Steve Lawver sending out requests for information to the city of Duquesne with city letterhead using his title. Tommy says there have been 18 requests since March 9 and he would never disrespect Maribeth Matney in that manner from his official position. He says the requests reference an election and emails between several parties. Tommy Kitch said this is an internal city matter that another city is getting involved in. He provided the board with copies of the email requests and said Mike Talley was also aware of the situation.

APPOINT JOE JONES TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Mayor Powers said he would like to appoint Joe Jones to Board of Adjustments. Gary Stubblefield motioned to approve the appointment. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

DISCUSSION OF PARKING ON GOLD LEAF-EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS

Mayor Powers said he requested Fire Chief Joe Perkins be here to talk about emergency vehicle access to this area. Joe said they went out on two occasions to assess the area in question and he looked into parts of the code that deal with this situation. He said they require 20 feet of clearance for a regular engine and 26 feet for a ladder truck. He said they did measure the area, and if there were a vehicle on both sides it would be very difficult to get an engine through there. He said in the event of an emergency they have the ability to move any vehicle as expeditiously as possible. Mayor Powers asked if it would be better if there were parking allowed on only one side. Joe Perkins said that would be a better idea.

Gary Stubblefield asked the length of truck the fire department has. Joe said they are 22 feet long and 19 ½ feet wide and the road is 31 feet wide from edge to edge.

Jim Gozia asked where the closest access to water is. Joe Perkins said it's actually on the next block. The owners of 602 Blackthorn were present and said they have a hydrant in their yard.

LaDonna Allen asked if there were an issue with a vehicle would they push the vehicle out of the way and Joe replied yes.

Mayor Powers asked if anyone in favor of the parking signs would like to speak Kelly Woestman-407 Gold Leaf said she tried to speak with neighbors privately and they refused to comply.

Mayor Powers then asked if anyone opposed to the signs would like to speak. Troy Salchow-305 Gold Leaf asked if Joe measured any of the other streets in Briarbrook. Joe said he had not. Troy Salchow said he had measured several streets for reference, and Blackthorn is 31 feet wide, Sunnybrook is 31 feet 2 inches wide, Silver Oaks is 31 feet 3 inches wide, Copper Oaks is 30 feet 4 inches wide and W Briarbrook Lane is 31 feet 5 inches wide. Troy said the fire department would have to travel down several of those streets to get to Gold Leaf and if the fire trucks can navigate streets which are slightly more narrow, there shouldn't be an issue navigating Gold Leaf in the event of an emergency.

Mike Burns said there's a section of code that speaks of parking on narrow streets and the code defines a narrow street as less than 30 feet wide so the code would have to be changed to put no parking signs on Gold Leaf. Troy Salchow said the code Mike Burns was referencing was 355.060.

Stephanie Patterson-511 Blackthorn used to live at 602 Blackthorn until she sold it to the Pyles and said they never had an issue until the tornado in May 2019.

Jill Pyle-602 Blackthorn said there is not parking on both sides of the street all the time, that it's an occasional thing, typically on holidays, and the rest of the time they try to park in the yard or driveway.

Kelly Woestman asked if they could get a no outlet sign for the area so people don't think Blackthorn is a route out of the area.

DISCUSSION OF STORMWATER AT QUAIL'S NEST ADDITION

Steve Lawver said he's received several phone calls over the years about the area. He said Kurt Higgins at Allgeier Martin looked at it and pulled a previous letter sent in 1999 to then Mayor Jim Wisdom about flooding issues in the area. Steve said all the stormwater goes down the street and there is no outlet in that area. Steve said Kurt drew up a quick estimate of \$300,000 not including easements and property that would have to be acquired. Steve said Martin and Cheryl Brown would probably give an easement, but we would also have to acquire some land from the Fredericksons.

Mayor Powers told Steve Lawver to see if the land can be acquired, get the numbers together and take it to the budget committee to see if it can be done.

APPROVAL OF DELINQUENT TAX LIST FOR COLLECTION

LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the delinquent tax list. Mark Satterlee seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

ORDINANCES

LaDonna Allen motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2022 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET." on 1st reading by title only. Mike Burns seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Gary Stubblefield seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on final passage. Gary Stubblefield seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

McAfee-yes, Stubblefield-yes, Flinn-absent, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Satterlee-yes, Gozia-yes. Motion on Ordinance #21-07 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.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES FOR CITY EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2021" on 1st reading by title only. Gary Stubblefield seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on second reading by title only. Gary Stubblefield seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

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

McAfee-yes, Stubblefield-yes, Flinn-absent, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Satterlee-yes, Gozia-yes. Motion on Ordinance #21-08 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.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put "AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING CITY OFFICERS TO THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION TO SERVE THE ENSUING YEAR UNTIL NEW OFFICERS ARE DULY APPOINTED " on 1st reading by title only. Mike Burns seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Roger Spencer motioned to put it on second reading by title only. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Discussion: Mike Burns wanted to make sure the vote last time to add a signer to the checking account was temporary. Mayor Powers replied that Treasurer Ruby Dunn is now available again.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on final passage. Mark Satterlee seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

McAfee-yes, Stubblefield-yes, Flinn-absent, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Satterlee-yes, Gozia-yes. Motion on Ordinance #21-09 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 FEMA approved \$196,012.25 of our requested reimbursement.

Steve Lawver said they are getting ready to wrap up the Cedar Lane detention pond project.

Steve Lawver also said we got approved for Pennell sidewalks from Grimes to Dean.

Public Works report – Jim Chaligoj had nothing to report.

Police Dept. report - Delmar Haase had nothing to report.

Bldg Insp report - No discussion.

Court report - No discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: Ladonna Allen had nothing to report.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn was absent.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities & Planning: Mark Satterlee had nothing to report.

Senior Citizens: Gary Stubblefield said the senior center is opening May 3.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mike Burns asked about the money from the latest stimulus. Steve Lawver said the city will be receiving 1.5 million dollars in two payments of roughly \$750,000 each and the first payment should arrive in 60-90 days.

Mike Talley wanted to clarify that he had no idea Tommy Kitch would be bringing the earlier information regarding Steve Lawver to the board. Mike said as the attorney for both cities he felt it was a conflict for him and he needed to remain neutral and step back from any issues arising between the two cities. Mike also introduced one of the alderwomen (Jane Baine) from Duquesne who was present in the audience.

NEW BUSINESS

LaDonna Allen asked if we need to schedule a budget meeting right now regarding the Quail's Nest issue. Steve Lawver said it would take a while to get all the information together for the budget committee.

Mayor Powers said the American Legion will sell items for anyone who doesn't want to set up their own sale during the city wide sale. He said it's \$10 to sell items, or you can donate them and American Legion keeps the profits.

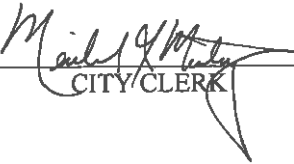
Jim Chaligoj said the cold weather tore up the roads and the construction equipment is making it worse. He said Marie Ln and Copper Oaks will need to be re-paved. He also said he would like to piggy-back off the bid from Webb City for paving and that it's \$63.11 per ton.

Jim Chaligoj said he talked to Goins about getting the ditch fixed and as soon as Mediacom buries their cable, Goins will get the problem taken care of.

Delmar Haase said they are short a dispatcher and received zero applications.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Satterlee motioned to adjourn the meeting. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR