

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday May 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: Don Marshall, Richard Zaccardelli, Roger Spencer, LaDonna Allen, Mike Burns, Jeff Hammons and Randy Hutcheson. Alderman Bob Cook was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Roger Spencer motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one for public forum.

REPORTS

The council reviewed the Administration report. Richard Zaccardelli asked about a bypass on Center Creek. Steve said that Heckert sold all that property and it is all private property. Richard said that if it is affecting the flooding we need to do something about it. Steve said he would research it. Mayor Powers stated that we may also have to talk to EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers. Steve reported that under new business he stated that we need to purchase insurance on our building being rented to Horton's. He has received 2 quotes one for \$4500 and the other \$1900. He is expecting another bid but is going to try to get one to rebid because they have different deductibles.

PW Dept. report – Jeff Hammons asked about the repair and maintenance in the disbursements. It seems like a lot of money. Steve said that we have new pumps at the plant now and the next lift station we will have to address is on Karen Drive. Mike Burns mentioned that people are parking and blocking the driveways to the Frank Dean parking areas. We might need to put up signs or have the police patrol it some.

Police report – there was nothing to add.

Court report – there was nothing to add.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Powers asked that Steve report on the utility bills and the post office. Steve stated that we had received 28 bags of returned bills from the post office the other day. The Post Office is stating that the bar code is interfering with the address and that we need to change it. We have used this software for 7 years and now we have problems. Also all the mail goes to Springfield, nothing stays here. There was discussion about printing the bills by carrier route and also e-mail notifications. Jeff stated he thought e-mail was the way to go. People are going to electronic methods. We are researching all options and will keep the council informed. Steve said that the WWTP solar panels have a problem. We are using less but the bills are more. We have a new representative at Empire and Steve is going to get with them.

Steve also reported that a 4 way stop will be going up at Fir Road and Lone Elm to try to help with traffic when the bridge closes. Steve said that we might also look at Peace Church and Joplin Street. This will break the traffic to allow easier access onto Fir Road. There was also discussion about the new bridge at Zora and snowball. That new bridge will be under construction in July but they are leaving the old bridge. There was a lot of discussion about trying to help traffic flow during the bridge construction.

Steve then reported that we have discovered we have a leak in our sewer line under Center Creek. After the flooding our flows didn't go down and it has been determined that we have a big leak in the line. Kurt is working on a solution and will get back to us.

Mayor Powers thanked Steve for the maps for the council.

NEW BUSINESS

LaDonna asked about the gym and keeping it clean. Mike Burns asked if we needed a different device to clean the floor. Steve said that we will work with the staff out front to try to keep it cleaner and stricter on the rules. Steve said he has talked to them about confronting people and that they can call the PD also.

Mayor Powers said to keep Mike Burns in the loop on the e-mails regarding software upgrade costs.

Richard Zaccardelli said he is receiving a lot of complaints about a truck parked on the south side of Par Lane. He asked if he had to have a business license. Steve said not if it is a truck he is just driving to and from work. If he is running a business out of his house he would need a home occupation license.

Mark McCall was asked about burglaries. Mark responded that they have had several items taken out of vehicles and they are patrolling. They have some suspects. Mark said that if people leave the garage doors open the police officers will knock on the resident's doors to ask them to close it but they don't check vehicles to see if they are locked.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance – Mike Burns had nothing to report.

Code/Nuisance – Don Marshall had nothing to report.

Human Resources – Roger Spencer had nothing to report

Public Facilities & Planning – LaDonna Allen said that they will be meeting Tuesday May 23rd to tour the WWTP at 3:00

PM.

Senior Citizens - Richard Zaccardelli stated that Crystal has been entertaining the seniors. She has a beautiful voice.

ADJOURNMENT

Roger Spencer motioned to adjourn the meeting. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR