

CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE

April 5, 2010

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, April 5, 2010, at 5:00 P.M., at which time and place the following were present:

Diane Sayre	Mayor
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Chris Riggs	Chief of Police
Hood (Absent)	Councilperson
Merideth	Councilperson
Morgan	Councilperson
Mott	Councilperson
Pullam	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Simpson	Councilperson
Grantham	Councilperson

The number of members necessary to consider a quorum being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order and announced the meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

The first order of business to come before the Council was the approval of the minutes of the last meeting. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Mott, seconded by Councilperson Grantham, the minutes were approved unanimously.

The next order of business to come before the Council was the approval of payment of the bills. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Pullam, seconded by Councilperson Morgan, the bills were approved for payment.

The next order of business to come before the Council was the administration services bid for the wastewater improvements grant from CDBG. One bid had been received from Bootheel Regional Planning Commission in the amount of \$24,000. After discussion, Councilperson Merideth motioned to approve the bid, with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Morgan	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
Mott	Yes	Simpson	Yes
	Grantham	Yes	

The next item of business to come before the Council was the bids for the engineering services for the wastewater Improvement grant from CDBG. Four engineering firms had responded to the advertisement, and a rating schedule was done to determine the most qualified firm. The ratings were as follows:

Waters Engineering, Inc.	9.8
Civil Engineering Associates	9.0
Palladian Consulting	8.6
Gertis, Lester, Dameron	8.4

After discussion, Councilperson Morgan motioned to approve Waters Engineering as the highest rank engineering firm for the project, with Councilperson Rodgers seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Morgan	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
Mott	Yes	Simpson	Yes
Grantham	Yes		

Mayor Sayre then updated the Council on the wastewater improvements. The engineering and administration contracts are part of this grant that BRPC will administer. They are in the process of obtaining all necessary permits from Department of Natural Resources. This process will take another thirty days.

The Council was then given a Public Safety Building update. The architect has final specifications ready to submit to USDA office for their architect to review. Once they approve the design, it will be brought back to Council for advertising for bids for that project.

Councilperson Merideth reported the bid opening for Laurant and Beckwith street improvements will be held on April 26, 2010 at 2:00 P.M. The installation of the clean-out boxes on Playground Road and Pine is working nicely. ASA will begin the milling work on Ward and Walker on Tuesday. Beginning Wednesday there will be no parking on Ward from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>. Other areas will be patched by this company. Mayor Sayre advised the Council had previously approved the patch work in other areas. Mayor Sayre asked the Council to approve the 13<sup>th</sup> and Ward intersection. Councilperson Rodgers motioned to approve the paving of this intersection, with Councilperson Mott seconding, and motion carried.

Mayor Sayre then reported the clean-up campaign will be held April 19 through the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The disposal company will only pick up on your regular garbage day, and the company will not backtrack for those who missed their day. This has been advertised on the radio, channel 7 and the newspaper.

Chet Moyers, Street/Sanitation Commissioner, reported the back motor that runs the brooms is not working, and the cost to fix it will be approximately \$30,000. He reported it would be better to go back to the three wheel type street sweeper. He reported a bid was received from the company that manufactures the street sweepers, and the cost was approximately \$156,000, with a \$20,500 trade-in on the 5current sweeper. One payment of \$28,000 remains on the current sweeper. A new one could be ordered and delivered within 45-60 days. It would take approximately two weeks to repair the old sweeper. The Mayor stated a monthly gaming check could be used to purchase the new street sweeper. The crews have not been able to keep the current sweeper working. Councilperson Morgan motioned to purchase a new street sweeper, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Morgan	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
Mott	Yes	Simpson	Yes
	Grantham	Yes	

Mayor Sayre reported an open house will be scheduled for Sunday, May 2, 2010, 2:00 P.M. through 4:00 P.M. for the new Municipal Court Facility at 1000 Ward.

The next item of business to come before the Council was a Resolution regarding the City’s funding through CDBG for street improvements for Laurant and Beckwith Avenue. The resolution was read as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE, MISSOURI, STATING INTENT TO SEEK FUNDING THROUGH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PORGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PURSUE ACTIVITIES IN AN ATTEMPT TO SECURE FUNDING.

WHEREAS, Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 does state as its primary objective “the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing, suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities principally for persons of low and moderate income”;

WHEREAS, Title 1 does offer to communities the opportunity of monetary assistance in accomplishing its stated primary objectives;

WHEREAS, The Missouri Department of Economic Development is designated to award Community Development Block Grant funding under Title 1; and,

WHEREAS, the city does have areas of need which may be addressed through the Community Development Block Grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Caruthersville, Missouri that it desires to participate with the Missouri Department of Economic Development in the improvement of our community under the activities authorized pursuant to the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor of Caruthersville, Missouri hereby is authorized to prepare and submit documents which are necessary in applying for funding and hereby is authorized to prepare and submit documents which are necessary in applying for funding and establishing an administrative organization to implement activities pursuant to the aforementioned act.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the applicant will dedicate \$140,200 of local cash funds and \$5,100 of in-kind materials or labor to be used in this project.

S/ Diane Sayre, Mayor

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S/ Melinda Scifres, City Clerk

Councilperson Pullam then motioned to adopt the resolution as presented, with Councilperson Mott seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Morgan	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
Mott	Yes	Simpson	Yes
	Grantham	Yes	

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Mott motioned the meeting adjourn, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Mayor

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City Clerk