

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE
NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room in the Municipal Building on Monday, November 2, 2009, at 5:00 P.M., at which time and place the following were present:

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| Diane Sayre | Mayor |
| Melinda Scifres | City Clerk |
| Lawrence Dorroh | City Counselor |
| Chris Riggs | Chief of Police |
| Simpson | Councilperson |
| Grantham | Councilperson |
| Hood | Councilperson |
| Merideth (Absent) | Councilperson |
| Morgan | Councilperson |
| Mott | Councilperson |
| Pullam | Councilperson |
| Rodgers | 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 Hood the minutes were approved unanimously.

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

Mayor Sayre then reported to the Council the engineer had sent a preliminary report regarding the sewer inspection of Ward Avenue. The section from 3rd to 7th seems to have no problems, other than a tap penetrates well into the sewer. This tap did not appear to be a leak but would act as an obstruction to flow. However, it has existed for years, and has not clogged the sewer, and is unlikely to do so in the future. The segment from 12th to 15th was found to be a series of holes and sags, and will likely need some major repairs. The detailed report will include copies of the video, and help clarify the needs in the area. The repairs will not delay the work on the Ward/Walker project.

Councilperson Rodgers then read a letter from an organization thanking the City of Caruthersville for purchasing materials from a corporation that contributed twenty nets for families in Nigeria to protect them from mosquitoes that carry malaria. The corporation donated the netting in the name of the City. The contribution will help save lives.

Mayor Sayre then reported the Ward/Walker project has begun. The contractor has started removing the sidewalks on the west side of Walker to replace. The west side of the street is the only side that will receive new sidewalks. Once the concrete work is finished, the street will be milled and resurfaced.

The Council was then advised the demolition crew continues to demolish the properties on the Public Safety grounds. Several lots will be cleared, and two more homes in the City will be demolished.

James Mott then reported the drainage at 9th & Beckwith needs to be checked. The ditch in the area has been filled in, and needs to be cleaned out. The Street/Sanitation Commissioner will check the area to see what can be done.

Counselor Dorroh then reviewed the Municipal Lease Resolution from Focus Bank with the Council regarding funds to construct the building for the crematorium at the Humane Shelter. The financing is for a term of three years, with payments in the amount of \$10,923.08 annually. A copy of the resolution is on file in the City Clerk's office. After discussion, Councilperson Grantham motioned to approve the resolution, with Councilperson Rodgers seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

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| Simpson | Yes | Morgan | Yes |
| Grantham | Yes | Mott | Yes |
| Hood | Yes | Pullam | Yes |
| | Rodgers | | Yes |

The Mayor then affixed her signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

After discussion, Councilperson Pullam offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance, and the same was read for the first time by title only (the Bill had been posted for more than 24 hours):

BILL NO. 2009-17

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-17

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY
(Copy on file in City Clerk's office)

After discussion, the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2009-17 which is granted and Bill No. 2009-17 is read the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2009-17 to be known as Ordinance No. 2009-17 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

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| Simpson | Yes | Morgan | Yes |
| Grantham | Yes | Mott | Yes |
| Hood | Yes | Pullam | Yes |
| | Rodgers | | Yes |

Upon the Mayor declaring that Bill No. 2009-17 to be known as Ordinance No. 2009-17 is passed approved by the Council, the Mayor did approve the bill and affix his signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Rodgers motioned to adjourn at 5:15 P.M., with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk