

**PUBLIC HEARING
OCTOBER 19, 2009**

The Council of the City of Caruthersville held a Public Hearing at 4:55 P.M., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, October 19, 2009, at which time and place the following were present:

Barbara Pullam, James Mott, Sheila Simpson, Jane Ellen Lazenby, Bob Lazenby, Donald Jones, Paul Shaw, Terry Rushing, Chet Moyers, Billy Collins Johnny Hood, Baughn Merideth, Diane Sayre, John Chittenden, Melinda Scifres, Frank Morgan, Sue Grantham, Keith Davis, Jerry Hudgens, Michael Coleman

The purpose of the hearing was to receive input from the public regarding a facility plan and method of financing the wastewater collection and treatment system improvements as part of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project C295575-01. The City has prepared a draft facility plan which outlines the wastewater needs, alternative, design, locations and costs for the wastewater system improvements.

The Council had been given copies of the plan, and it has been submitted to DNR for approval. John Chittenden, Engineer, reported the City has met all requirements at this time, and the progress is moving along. The improvements will be done in phases. The priority items will be done first, which is new clarifiers at the treatment plant to meet the discharge limits; the lift station at Third and Eastwood. The second phase will be sewer line rehabilitation. The City is hoping to receive stimulus funds to do the second phase.

Mayor Sayre reported the two phases are depending on the funding.

With no further input to come before the Council at this time, Councilperson Pullam motioned to close the public hearing, with Councilperson Morgan seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

**PUBLIC HEARING
OCTOBER 19, 2009**

The Council of the City of Caruthersville met for a Public Hearing on Monday, October 19, 2009, at 5:05 P.M., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, at which time and place the following were present:

Barbara Pullam, James Mott, Sheila Simpson, Jane Ellen Lazenby, Bob Lazenby, Donald Jones, Paul Shaw, Terry Rushing, Chet Moyers, Billy Collins Johnny Hood, Baughn Merideth, Diane Sayre, John Chittenden, Melinda Scifres, Frank Morgan, Sue Grantham, Keith Davis, Jerry Hudgens, Michael Coleman

The purpose of the hearing was to review the draft of the user charge ordinance for the wastewater fees. The ordinance will be sent to DNR for approval. At this time, the Council does have an ordinance regarding a \$5 increase in the wastewater rates. The minimum for the wastewater charge is \$8 for 2000 gallons of water usage. The Council adopted the ordinance in June of this year.

Counselor Dorroh stated the draft is very similar to the ordinance adopted by the Council. Mayor Sayre stated a copy of the ordinance will be sent to the engineer to review, and possibly submit to DNR.

With no further input to come before the Council, Councilperson Mott motioned to close the hearing, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and the motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE
OCTOBER 19, 2009**

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, October 19, 2009, at 5:10 P.M., at which time and place the following were present:

Diane Sayre	Mayor
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Michael Coleman	Sergeant at Arms
Rodgers	Councilperson
Simpson	Councilperson
Grantham	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson
Merideth	Councilperson
Morgan	Councilperson
Mott	Councilperson
Pullam	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, reports and bills. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Pullam, seconded by Councilperson Grantham, the minutes, reports, and bills were approved. The reports read as follows:

Charlie Jones, Fire Chief, reported \$3,398.00 in salaries for September with six fire calls.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported \$5,000 in admissions to the recreation center for September.

Donna Brooks, City Collector, reported \$1,712.32, in taxes collected, with \$18.49 in Collector's commission, and \$2.00 in Clerk's fees.

Melinda Scifres, City Clerk, reported securities pledged at the banks for deposits of the City as follows: First State Bank \$2,189,564.00; Focus Bank \$2,021,899.47; Bank Star - \$583,400.

Angie Dormer, Bookkeeper for the Water Department, reported the following collections for September:

Water	\$ 43,484.89	Gallons Produced 77825,980
Sewer	17,552.25	Backwash Totals 3,716,000
Garbage	32,368.56	City Gallons 19,087,000
Meter Ser.	801.54	Adjusted Gallons 39,200
Mo. Spray	570.28	Customers 2469
Sept. Int.	68.84	
Primacy Fee	2,711.56	
Sew. Ser.	654.90	
Sew. Bond	<u>11,885.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$110,097.82	

Mayor Sayre reported work is continuing on the Municipal Court Facility; most of the rooms have been painted, and the order for furniture is being finalized. It appears the facility will be complete in approximately one month.

Mayor Sayre reported work on Ward is being delayed until the company can come in and check the sewer lines on Ward.

Councilperson Hood motioned to approve the adjustment report in the amount of \$6,039.10, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and motion carried.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported the Pee Wee Football league has started, and a game is being held at 6:30 P.M. tonight. Kick Ball sign-ups have been held, and seventy-five children have signed up so far.

Mayor Sayre then reported to the Council the City has an opportunity to purchase property at 10th & Grand where there are two dilapidated trailers. Terry Rushing, Code Enforcement/Building Inspector, reported this area has been an eye sore for quite some time. The property owner owns one trailer, and leases the ground to another trailer owner. The City can acquire the property for \$4,000. Councilperson Morgan motioned to buy the property, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

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

Mayor Sayre reported the owner of property at 806 Beckwith has left a message for her to call. This property may be gifted to the City, and she asked the Council if they would agree to the gift. Councilperson Mott motioned to agree if the owner decided to gift the property, with Councilperson Pullam seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sayre then reported quote had been received for financing of the building for the crematorium at the shelter. Focus Bank had quoted 4.55% for three years, and First State Bank had quoted 5.125% for three years on \$30,000. After discussion Councilperson Rodger motioned to approve the quote from Focus Bank due to the lower interest rate, with Councilperson Morgan seconding, and motion carried.

After discussion, Councilperson Grantham motioned to approve Resolution 2009-1, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried unanimously. The resolution read as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-1

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILING OF APPLICATION WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM, FOR A GRANT UNDER THE MISSOURI CLEAN WATER LAW, SECTION 644,RSMo

WHEREAS, under the terms of the Missouri Clean Water Law, Section 644 Revised Statutes of Missouri, the United States of America and the State of Missouri have authorized the making of loans to authorized applicants to aid in the construction of specific public projects,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Caruthersville, Missouri;

1. That Diane Sayre, Mayor of Caruthersville, be and is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Caruthersville with the State of Missouri for a grant to aid in the construction wastewater system improvements under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project C295575-01.

2. That Diane Sayre, Mayor of Caruthersville, be and she is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information as the Missouri Department of Natural Resources may reasonably request in connection with the application which is herein authorized, to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the applicant, to furnish such assurances to the Department of Natural Resources as may be required by law or regulation, and to receive payment on behalf of the applicant.

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned, duly qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Caruthersville does hereby certify: That the attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the City Council held on the 19th day of October, 2009, and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of October, 2009.

Melinda Scifres, City Clerk

At this time, Councilperson Pullam motioned to hold closed session regarding contracts and records which are protected from disclosure by law, with Councilperson Grantham seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

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

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Morgan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 P.M., with Councilperson Grantham seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk