

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE  
December 2, 2019**

Be it remembered the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session Monday, December 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council room of the Municipal Building at which time and place the following were present:

Sue Grantham	Mayor
Takella Motton (Absent)	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Tony Jones	Sergeant at Arms
Cheek	Councilperson
Grable	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson
Reeves	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Duckworth (Absent)	Councilperson
Bullington	Councilperson
Lyons	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 was the approval of the regular session minutes of November 18, 2019. Councilperson Hood motion for approval, second by Councilperson Lyons with all in favor.

Councilperson Lyons motion to approve the reports and bills, second by Councilperson Hood, with all in favor.

Mayor Grantham read the Notice of General Municipal Election as follows:

**NOTICE OF GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE  
PEMISCOT COUNTY, MISSOURI**

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Caruthersville, Pemiscot County, Missouri, that a general Municipal election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, beginning at six o'clock a.m. and closing at seven o'clock p.m. of said day. Offices open to candidates for the year 2019 are as follows:

Councilperson Ward I	-	2 year term
Councilperson Ward II	-	2 year term
Councilperson Ward III	-	2 year term
Councilperson Ward IV	-	2 year term

Any person desiring to file as a candidate for the above-mentioned offices may do so by filing a Declaration of Candidacy in the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building at 200 West Third

beginning December 11, 2018 at 8:00 a.m., through January 15, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. On the opening day of filing, the City Clerk's office will be open from the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m.

Unfinished business; Councilperson Grable presented different bids for PTAC Units from the original bids for heating pumps for efficiency and economic reasons. Bids for 15K BTU AND 17K BTU are as follows: Ark-Mo (2 12K BTU PTAC Units at \$2,475.49) Do U Right HVAC 15K BTU & 17K BTU PTAC Unit \$2,150) Hill Electric PTAC Units\$3,894.00). Councilperson Lyons motion for a budget amendment for Do U Right HVAC for the PTAC Unit at \$2,150 second by Councilperson Bullington, which resulted in the following votes:

Cheek	Yes	Grable	Yes
Hood	Yes	Reeves	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Bullington	Yes
Lyons	Yes		

Police report; Chief Tony Jones reported that during the holiday season that residents needed to be careful by closing their blinds and curtains when their out of town, not to leave their vehicles unlocked or firearms left in the vehicle, and to make sure that trash is put in containers so that thieves will not know what you purchased.

Humane report; Karol Wilcox reported that there are leads to the animal killings, and the reward has rose to \$1,000. Chris Thacker has been issuing citations, and residents have been taking pictures of animals that are being let loose after hours, in which citations can be written. Chief Tony Jones made mention that Paul Shaw will be ordering stop signs and speed bumps to put in areas that were of concern.

Fire report; Fire calls from November 19, 2019 to December 2, 2019 are as follows: 11/19/19; Open burning in a pit on Rufus which was extinguished before arrival, 11/22/19; Malfunctioning fire alarm on East 4<sup>th</sup> St. owner was told to repair or be charged \$200 per call, 11/24/19; Mutual aid in Steele for a mobile home a total loss, 12/1/19; Fire alarm sounding due to cooking on South Ward. Training for the month of November was Apparatus Familiarization; there were 19 firefighters in attendance.

Public Works; Paul Shaw reported that FEMA had visited doing site inspections of damages within the City, and would be here later on in the week also. It's also possible that the City could benefit from Mitigation which is different FEMA. FEMA puts you back to where you were and Mitigation upgrades your condition for incidents that continue to take place when an event happens.

Code Enforcement; Barry Gilmore reported that he had been talking to residents about clean up and their violations, and that he had received letters from property owners that had gotten letters either satisfying tax liens are return to sender.

Park & Recreation; Possibly two valves need replacing in the pool in which the heater is not running properly. Breakfast with Santa will begin 7:00 a.m. and end at 9:30 a.m. December 7, 2019, and the Recreation Center will be closing at 6:00 p.m.

Library report; Teresa Tidwell reported that Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. will be the first Christmas Storytime read by Joy McGraw. The next week Parker Faulkner will bring his Gingerbread

figures to be decorated, and the following week Mr. and Mrs. Santa will come bringing goody bags.

Mayor Grantham entertained a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of personnel. Councilperson Hood made the motion, second by Councilperson Rodgers, which resulted in the following votes:

Cheek	Yes	Grable	Yes
Hood	Yes	Reeves	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Bullington	Yes
Lyons	Yes		

Upon returning from closed session and with no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Lyons motion to adjourn, second by Councilperson Hood, with all in favor.

Attest:

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City Clerk

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Mayor

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