

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE
July 15, 2024**

Be it remembered the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session Monday July 15, 2024 in the Council room of the Municipal Building at which time and place the following were present:

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| Takella Motton | City Clerk |
| Lawrence Dorroh | City Counselor |
| Sue Grantham | Mayor |
| Jerry Hudgens | Sergeant at Arms |
| Spence | Councilperson |
| Robinson | Councilperson |
| Glass | Councilperson |
| Bullington | Councilperson |
| Lyons | Councilperson |
| Fales | Councilperson |
| Grable | Councilperson |
| Hood | 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 a motion by Councilperson Grable to go into closed session for personnel, second by Councilperson Hood which resulted in the following vote:

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| Spence | Yes | Robinson | Yes |
| Glass | Yes | Bullington | Yes |
| Lyons | Yes | Fales | Yes |
| Grable | Yes | Hood | Yes |

Upon returning from closed session Mayor Grantham asked for a motion for the open session Minutes of June 17, 2024. Councilperson Hood made the motion, second by Lyons, all in favor, with Councilperson Bullington abstaining.

Councilperson Lyons motion to accept the closed session minutes, second by Councilperson Grable, all in favor, with Councilperson Bullington abstaining.

Councilperson Lyons motion for approval of reports and bills, second by Councilperson Hood, with all in favor.

Mayor Grantham made reference to the Preconstruction Conference for Fiber Optic held at City Hall July 8, 2024. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss labor standards, payrolls, and Section 3: which provides economic opportunities to individuals with low and very low income. The total project will take 32 weeks, starting on the east side of town.

Fire report; Chief Moss reported 15 calls in the last month as follows: Four structure fires, two

mutual aids, one vehicle fire, one grass/trash fire, five alarm calls, and two extrications. As of now 82 rural fire subscriptions have been obtained. There will be a recertification for CPR this month, and the floor was redone in the kitchen area by staff.

Public Works/Alliance; Evan Romo reported that Michael Epperson would be replacing Tyler Hall as the local manager, and introduced Brian Peeper one of the Division managers. The report for the month of June is as follows: Administrative/The eDMR and the Monitoring Report for Groundwater Systems was submitted to DNR. Water Wastewater Treatment/Placed confined space entry signs on backwash basin at Third St. lift station. Regulatory/There were eight bac-T samples, and wastewater samples were taken, with them all passing DNR requirements.

Collection & Distribution/ Vandevanter began the maintenance schedules on the lift stations, and AWR jetted and cleaned the manhole on 11th St. leading to the 10th and Carleton lift station. A point repair was done on a collapsed clay sewer line on 11th St. With the help of AWR and staff to complete the repairs allowed for a cost savings of roughly \$10,000.00. Repair expenses were under budget by \$4,897.00 and Chemical expense were under budget by \$2,060.00

Code Enforcement; Barry Gilmore turnover was \$2,054.50 from permits and fees, and scrap metal.

Parks & Recreation; Lamonte Bell turnover was as follows: Intake \$7,384.00 Auto Draft \$154.00 Interest \$1.05 Total \$7,539.05 Expenses/Merchant Fee \$253.35 Checks \$100.00 Turnover Total \$7,185.70.

Library; Marsha Hayes reported that the new windows had been installed, and the wall and window seals had to be replaced; painting will be done soon. The water bottle filling station was also installed, summer reading is going great, and Love 2 Bounce Inflatables will be entertaining the children July 23, 2024 marking the end of summer reading.

City Collector; Paige Gillock collection from June 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024 is as follows: Real Estate \$4,184.65 Personal Property \$3,400.62 Drainage Districts \$140.00 Miscellaneous \$5,490.00 Total Taxes \$11,314.11 Interest & Fees \$1,901.16 Total Collections \$13,215.27. Collections from July 1, 2024 through July 15, 2024 are as follows: Real Estate \$1,649.14 Personal Property \$814.47 Drainage Districts \$89.96 Miscellaneous \$474.70 Total Taxes \$2,643.00 Interest & Fees \$395.89 Total Collections \$3,038.89.

Budget; Councilperson Lyons motion to include in the minutes for the HVAC from Lacey HVAC for the Police department to be budgeted out of the Sales Tax Capital Improvement in the amount of \$2,800.00 and also the Library windows and wall expense of \$21,700.00 from Ace Glass Repair. Councilperson Grable second the motion, which resulted in the following vote:

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With there not being anymore business to come before the Council, Councilperson Grable motion to adjourn, second by Councilperson Hood which passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Mayor

City Clerk

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