

CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE  
October 19, 2015

Be it remembered the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session on Monday, October 19, 2015, at 5:00 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at which time and place the following were present:

Mike McGraw	Mayor
Takella Motton	City Clerk
Michael Santschi	City Counselor
Tony Jones	Sergeant at Arms
Bullington	Councilperson
Cartee	Councilperson
Cheek	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson
Merideth	Councilperson
Harmon	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Duckworth	Councilperson

The number of members 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 minutes, bills, and reports motioned by Councilperson Cartee seconded by Councilperson Hood, and the motion carried.

The next order of business was the review of the budget, which is on file in the City's Clerk office. Councilperson Bullington made recommendation as to planning for a 3 to 5 year budget in the future. Councilperson Cartee made motion to accept the budget, second by Councilperson Harmon, which resulted in the following votes:

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes		

Tony Jones reported that the Trunk & Treat would be conducted at 11th and Carleton, at the Church of God. The parade starts at First State Bank and will end at the Community Center. Jones asked for \$1,500 from Asset Forfeiture for the event. Councilperson Cartee motion for the approval of the expenditure, second by Councilperson Hood, and the motion carried unanimously.

Nick Cartee reported fire calls from October 14, 2015 through October 16, 2015. On October 14, 2015 mutual aid was requested by the Kennett fire department, and it was cancelled within 10 minutes.

Terry reported that the Magnolia Project proposed bid was for \$44,754.75, and there may have to be a change order for the two houses. Councilperson Hood motioned to approve the bid, seconded by Councilperson Merideth, which resulted in the following votes:

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes		

It was also noted that the emergency policy could be used to repair the leak at the Water Plant. Councilperson Harmon motioned to accept the emergency policy for repairing the leak at the Water Plant, seconded by Councilperson Cartee, which resulted in the following votes:

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes		

The Colorimeter needs replacing at the Water Plant; it measures iron, chlorine, and elements in the water. In order to comply with the EPA and DNR standards and avoid fines, replacement is a must. The quotes are for a (DR3900) with Hach at \$4,196, and USA Blue Book \$5,055. Councilperson Harmon motioned for the Colorimeter to be taken out of the Waste Water Management Fund, seconded by Councilperson Hood, and the motion carried unanimously.

Terry recommended that a shed be constructed for caustic chemicals and design a concrete floor as a catch basin. He will be gathering cost estimates for the project Richard Lee reported that the Hydro Kinetics pump that was approved would not fit, and in effect have to go back to the drawing board.

There is \$25,000 in the budget for snow removal equipment. Terry stated that the purchases would be two snow plows, salt spreader, and one brine spreader. Councilperson Bullington motioned to approve the expenditure, seconded by Councilperson Cartee, and the motion carried unanimously. Terry noted that the Street Sweeper was slated for \$10,000, but came in at \$18,501.45.

Illegal dumping has been occurring with the dumpsters for private use, and there is an Ordinance that protects the private dumpsters with a fine being imposed of no less

than \$25 and no more than \$500. There will be an extra charge of \$5 for any additional carts needed by residents, which will be billed directly from Republic. There are conditions within the contract that Counselor Santschi will be addressing before the contract is signed. Branum's will have all dumpsters removed from outside of their 9<sup>th</sup> St. location by October 31, 2015,

Keith Davis reported that the Park Board will be doing a trial run in January for the opening up on Sundays. The pool will not be opened due to the maintenance conducted on Sundays.

Teresa Tidwell reported that the Library Board approved the reupholstering furniture at the library. Parents as teachers will be meeting along with Missouri Mentoring Partnership for a Halloween Festival bringing people in for the story time for preschoolers. Tidwell also presented a Terms and Lease Agreement from November 6, 1996 between the City and the Library.

The Rone Building was appraised for \$19,000 and it was bought for \$10,000. It was recommended that the artifacts be handled by an historian

Richard Lee reported that a committee was established for the grant for the inspection of man holes and sewer lines. Once the point system for the Statement of Qualifications is instituted, an engineer will be selected for the project.

The Veterans Day Parade will be conducted by the school, and Jim Atchison will be in charge of the Veterans Day event.

New Business consisted of the appointment of a representative to Ward 4. Councilperson Hood motioned for the resignation of Councilperson Merideth from Ward 2, seconded by Councilperson Harmon, which resulted in the following votes:

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	Abstain	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes		

Councilperson Cartee motioned to accept the appointment of Matthew Duckworth as Councilperson for Ward 2, seconded by Councilperson Cheek, which resulted in the following votes:

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Harmon	Yes	Rodgers	Yes

Councilperson Cartee motioned to approve appointment of B T Merideth to Ward 4, seconded by Councilperson Cheek, which resulted in the following votes:

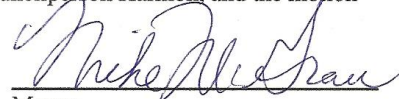
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	Abstain	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes

Counselor Santschi stated that the personnel manual needed to be updated to minimize risk. He suggested that everyone look at a section at a time, something should be in place by January.

There was a resolution from the Library Board for Teresa Tidwell's salary and back pay. Councilperson Bullington made motion for the salary proposed by the Library Board and the back pay. Councilperson Harmon seconded, which resulted in the following votes;

Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes
Merideth	No	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Bullington made motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilperson Harmon, and the motion carried unanimously.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk