

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE
July 15, 2013**

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room in the Municipal Building on Monday, July 15, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., at which time and place the following were present:

Frank Morgan	Mayor Pro Tem
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Tony Jones	Sergeant at Arms
Simpson	Councilperson
Grantham	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson
Merideth	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, bills, and reports. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Mott, seconded by Councilperson Hood, the minutes, bills and reports were approved unanimously. The reports read as follows:

Christi Watkins, Court Clerk, reported \$4,191.47 in fines collected, with \$29.70 in POST Funds, \$29.69 in JEF Funds, and \$211.75 in CVC Funds.

Melinda Scifres, City Clerk, reported \$3,525,000 pledged for securities at First State Bank; \$2,021,899.47 pledged at Focus Bank; and \$583,400 pledged at Bank Star of the Bootheel.

Charlie Jones, Fire Chief, reported \$4,534.00 in salaries for June, with nine calls during the month.

Donna Brooks, City Collector, reported \$13,340.48 in taxes collected with \$120.82 in Collector's Commission, and \$46.90 in Assessment Funds.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported \$7,030.53 in admissions to the recreation center.

Paul Shaw, Water/Wastewater Manager, reported the following:

Water	\$ 74,905.50	Water Customers 2413
Sewer	21,148.75	Sewer Customers 2306
Garbage	35,935.54	
Meter Serv.	805.85	
Mos. Spray	570.51	
Primacy Fee	40.44	
Sewer Primacy	11.60	
Sewer Bond	10,682.12	
Bond Serv.	<u>541.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$145,641.31	

Councilperson Rodgers then reported Police Chief Jones has requested \$825.00 from the Police Training Fund so that three officers might attend a death investigation training course in Springfield. The course is being conducted by the Springfield Police Department. The course will run from July 23 through July 25. Councilperson Rodgers then motioned to approve the training course, with Councilperson Grantham seconding, and motion carried.

Fire Chief Jones then reported there were three calls from July 4 through July 15. He requested permission to advertise for hose to update the fire trucks. Councilperson Pullam motioned to advertise for hose as requested, with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Morgan reported the old cornerstone from the original fire station on Fourth Street had been removed and is in the station on East Seventh Street. The Fire Chief has requested the cornerstone be mounted on a metal frame with the cornerstone from the station on East Seventh to display in the lobby at the Public Safety Building. After discussion, Councilperson Pullam motioned to approve getting cost estimates for the metal framing, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and motion carried.

Councilperson Hood then reported the Wastewater Department is needed an Isco Glacier Sampler at a cost of \$4,416.65. This equipment prepares samples required by DNR, and Hydro-Kinetics Corporation is the only company that sells the equipment in the area. After discussion, Councilperson Hood motioned to approve the purchase, with Councilperson Grantham seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported Caruthersville hosted the ball tournament, and the Caruthersville team advanced to first place. He thanked Tony Wynne for spraying for mosquitoes. He did an excellent job.

Barbara Meales then appeared before the Council to request the street in front of the Dr.'s Clinic be renamed to Dr. Alan Gubin Avenue. After discussion, it was determined the area requested to be renamed was West 12th from Ward to Carleton. Counselor Dorroh reported there is a procedure to rename a street, which calls for a public hearing. There is another procedure to place a sub-name on a street, and it is known by both names, and does not require a public hearing. Counselor Dorroh will check into having the street have the sub-name of Dr. Alan Gubin Drive.

The Council then reviewed the agreement for accounting services with McDowell and Middleton. The agreement states the firm will prepare payment of the bills twice a month; do the bi-weekly payroll, and one monthly payroll; and prepare all withholding taxes at the end of month and quarter; prepare monthly financial statements; and prepare financial statements for posting in the paper twice a year. The cost for the service is \$2,125.00. Councilperson Pullam motioned to approve the agreement, with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

The next item of business was the approval of the services for the audit from Metheny and Smith for the 12-13 audit. The auditors reported the audit would cost their regular hourly fees not to exceed \$16,000. After discussion, Councilperson Mott motioned to approve the contract for the audit, with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

The next item of business to come before the Council was the agreement between the FAA and the City regarding the flight inspection for the PAPI lights. The cost for the inspection would be \$8,808.60 to be paid by the City. The fly over would be necessary to insure the lights are working correctly. After discussion, Councilperson Pullam motioned to approve the agreement, with Councilperson Rodgers seconding, and motion carried.

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Hood motioned the meeting adjourn at 5:22 p.m., with Councilperson Merideth seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

Mayor Pro Tem

City Clerk