

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE
AUGUST 5, 2013
PUBLIC HEARING**

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met for a Public Hearing in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at 5:00 p.m., at which time and place the following were present:

Bob Lazenby, Jane Ellen Lazenby, Sheila Simpson, Barbara Pullam, Charlie Jones, Brenda Davis, Keith Davis, Daryl Young, Ewanda Young, Wayne Smith, Karen Smith Danny Bullington, Earl Bullington, Barbara Meales, Paul Shaw, Michael Coleman, Richard Lee, James Lane, Jarred Yates, Johnny Hood, Tara Yates, Lawrence Dorroh, Barbara Rodgers, Frank Morgan, and Melinda Scifres

The purpose of the hearing was to receive comments from the public on two separate requests for changes to the zoning classification of two separate properties in the City. White and Associates, a business operating at Hwy U and Carroll, has requested that the property described below which adjoins its property be rezoned from R-1 to B-1. The business desires to build another office structure on the vacant lot (50x164.62) on Carroll Avenue. The legal description of the property for which the change in zoning classification is request is Lot Five, Block 2 Myrick's Addition.

Earl Bullington has request a change in the zoning classification of the property located at Seventh and Maple from I-2 to B-1. The property consists of all of the property located at Seventh and Maple consisting of 4.20 acres more or less that was utilized by the Federal Emergency Management Agency as a site for the placement of trailers for temporary housing in the unplatted section.

Counselor Dorroh then advised that the B-1 zone is the highest level of the business zone, and is the most restrictive. The industrial zone (I-2) allowed heavy industrial and excludes any residential use of the property. B-1 allows residential use of the property.

Jerry Yates with White and Associates stated he had talked with the Planning Commission regarding their request.

Earl Bullington stated he would like to have his request approved. FEMA spent a lot of money on the property, and he feels it could be put to good use.

With no further comments coming before the hearing, the meeting was closed.

ATTEST:

Mayor Pro Tem

City Clerk

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BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, August 5, 2013, at 5:09 p.m., at which time and place the following were present:

Frank Morgan	Mayor Pro Tem
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Jerry Hudgens	Acting Sergeant at Arms
Hood	Councilperson
Merideth (Absent)	Councilperson
Mott	Councilperson
Pullam	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Simpson	Councilperson
Grantham (Absent)	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 of the last meeting. Councilperson Mott motioned to approve the minutes, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

The next item of business to come before the Council was the approval of the bills. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Hood, seconded by Councilperson Mott, the bills were approved for payment.

The next item to come before the Council was the bids for resurfacing of streets as follows: West Fourth from Carleton to Ferguson; Grand Avenue from 3rd to 6th; Carroll from 16th to the existing dead end; and 2nd from Bushey to the sea wall opening. Two bids had been received:

Apex Paving	\$166,314.00
ASA Asphalt	\$154,523.00

John Chittenden, Engineer, had reviewed the bids, and recommended the low bid from ASA Asphalt at \$154,523.00. After discussion, Councilperson Simpson motioned to accept the low bid from ASA, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

Counselor Dorroh then discussed a letter the Library had received from the Secretary of State's office regarding the state aid monies and grants the Library had received. When the tax rate had been set for the year 2012, the Council did not set it at the ceiling the State Auditor's office allowed. Therefore, the Library's rate fell below the 10¢ the maintain receiving the state aid and grants. He has contacted the State Library, and they are reconsidering the decision since the City funds the library by three times what is collected as taxes. The Council will be setting a new rate for the year 2013 within the next few weeks, and if the rate is set at 10¢ for the Library, the State has said they would consider keeping the internet and aid in place for the following year. Brenda Davis, Librarian, reported she will lose the funding for five computers due to the loss of the state funding.

Councilperson Rodgers reported the police department has had an officer resign, and they are interviewing applicants for the position. The Fire Department had seven fire calls in July. On November 1, 2013, the ISO office will lower the rating for Caruthersville from a 5 to a 4. This will allow the insurance rate for all the homeowners to be reduced. Fire Chief Jones then thanked Paul Shaw, Terry Rushing and Jack Owens for their assistance in getting the ISO rating lowered. A training session was held in July with 17 personnel attending. The Fire Department will hold their annual MDA Boot Block on August 17 at 7th and Ward and 3rd and Carleton.

The Council was then advised that out of a possible 300 Rural Fire subscriptions, only 108 had signed up as of July 1, 2013

Paul Shaw, Water/Wastewater Manager, then reported the forklift and trailer did come in, and will be used for bulk caustic at the Industrial Drive water plant. This should lower the cost of the chemical for the plant. The Council was then advised the leak on South Ward had been fixed.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, then stated the Redbirds represented the City at the games in Colorado. The team came in third out of eight. He is very proud of the boys that participated and the coaches. The fifteen year old boys (Tigers) went to the State tournament, and placed second. Both teams did really well. He thank Paul Shaw and Terry Rushing for raising funds for the team to go to Colorado, and will hold an appreciated dinner for the sponsors in the next week.

Terry Rushing, Operations Supervisor, then reported he had one yard at 405 East 8th that had been cut. Complaints had been received about a location on Collins. He will be going on vacation until Monday, and will start on grass complaints when he returns on Monday. He then asked the Council to allow him to get estimates on East 16th from Ward to East 18th, and East 11th to Franklin, and then around to East 12th on Franklin. After discussion, Councilperson Hood motioned to approve obtaining estimates for the roads as stated, with Councilperson Mott seconding, and motion carried.

Mr. Rushing then reported he had obtained two bids on a bush hog for the tractor. The bids read as follows:

John Deere	\$2,358.17
Don Medlin (Case)	\$3,300.00

After discussion, Councilperson Mott motioned to approve the low bid from John Deere, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

The next order of business to come before the Council was the approval of the line tap at 3rd and Grand from the contractor, Graham Construction. The amount of the change order for the contract on the Grand water line project was \$2,350.00. After discussion, Councilperson Mott motioned to approve the change order, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

The next item of business to come before the Council was the approval of the advertising for bids for the airport grant. The grant is 95% funded by MoDot, and is for lighting, fencing, and a gate for the airport. After discussion, Councilperson Pullam motioned to approve advertising for the project, with Councilperson Mott seconding, and motion carried unanimously.

After discussion, Councilperson Mott offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance and the same was read by title only for the first time:

BILL NO. 2013-05

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-05

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE B-1 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO ADDITIONAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE, MISSOURI

(Copy on file in City Clerk's office-7TH and Maple)

After discussion, the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2013-05 which is granted and Bill No. 2013-05 is read by title only for the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2013-05 to be known as Ordinance No. 2013-05 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Hood	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Mott	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
	Simpson	Yes	

Upon the Mayor Pro Tem declaring that Bill No. 2013-05 to be known as Ordinance No. 2013-05 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor Pro Tem did approve the bill and affix his signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

After discussion, Councilperson Mott offered and moved the approval of the following ordinance and the same was read by title only for the first time:

BILL NO. 2013-06

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-06

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE B-1 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO ADDITIONAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE, MISSOURI

(Copy on file in City Clerk’s office – 3rd and Hwy U)

After discussion, the unanimous consent of the Council is asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2013-06 which is granted and Bill No. 2013-06 is read by title only for the second time. The question before the Council now is shall Bill No. 2013-06 to be known as Ordinance No. 2013-06 pass and become law as read the second time, which resulted in the following vote on said question, to-wit:

Hood	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Mott	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
	Simpson	Yes	

Upon the Mayor Pro Tem declaring that Bill No. 2013-06 to be known as Ordinance No. 2013-06 is passed and approved by the Council, the Mayor Pro Tem did approve the bill and affix his signature and was attested by the City Clerk.

The following resolution was then presented to the Council for adoption.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in memory of Dr. Alan S. Gubin’s dedicated service to the City of Caruthersville as a physician for over one-half of a century, for his activities as a civic leader, and for all the compassionate charitable works he performed over his life in Caruthersville, the City Council of the City of Caruthersville, desires to express the gratitude of the City by designating a portion of West 12th Street as Dr. Alan S. Gubin Memorial Drive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Caruthersville, Missouri hereby provides for the memorial designation of that portion of West 12th Street in Caruthersville between Ward Avenue and Carleton Avenue to also be known as Dr. Alan S. Gubin Memorial Drive and for street signs to be added to the existing West 12th Street signs to signify this designation.

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted and approved this 5th day of August, 2013.

S/Frank Morgan, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

S/ Melinda Scifres, City Clerk

Councilperson Pullam motioned to adopt the resolution, with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and roll call was asked for, which resulted in the following vote:

Hood	Yes	Pullam	Yes
Mott	Yes	Rodgers	Yes
	Simpson	Yes	

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Mott motioned the meeting adjourn at 5:44 p.m., with Councilperson Simpson seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST

Mayor Pro Tem

City Clerk