

Minutes Of The Meeting Of The City Council
City Of Carthage, Missouri
September 11, 2018

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Dan Rife presiding. Fire Chief Roger Williams gave the invocation and Police Chief Greg Dagnan led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Juan Topete, David Armstrong, Ceri Otero, Mike Daugherty, Alan Snow, Darren Collier, Brady Beckham and Kirby Newport. Council Member James Harrison was absent. City Administrator Tom Short and City Attorney Nate Dally were present.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Greg Dagnan, Fire Chief Roger Williams, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks Director Alan Bull and City Clerk Traci Cox.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to amend the agenda to include Resolution 1851. Motion passed.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2018 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

During Citizen's Participation Period: Wendi Douglas, Carthage Convention and Visitor's Bureau, provided the Council and Staff with folders that contained the CVB's audit, visitor's study, group profile and visitor's guide. She also discussed the CVB's new website. Mark Baker and Greg Wolf, Carthage R-9 Schools, gave a presentation of their plans for the new student activities center that will be on the school grounds and will house their archery lanes for archery team meets along with other special uses. Mark Elliff, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Director, advised the Council of a recent economic development conference that he attended with the emphasis being on the workforce.

Mr. Collier reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee met on September 10. The bid for the wayfinding signs was approved with CDL being awarded the bid in the amount of \$187,283. A resolution was proposed for authorization of appropriation of funds from the annual operating and capital budgets which is being presented as Resolution 1851. Mr. Collier also informed the Council that City Hall will have their audit the week of September 24.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approved the claims. Red-lined employees were discussed. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newport, to approve a one-time performance based salary adjustment for red-lined employees who receive an outstanding employee evaluation. Motion carried unanimously. The City Clerk discussed a city wellness program with the first step being an employee survey. A new accounts receivable clerk has been hired.

Mr. Collier reported the Public Safety Committee was between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for October 15.

Mr. Beckham reported the Public Services Committee was between meetings with the next meeting scheduled for September 18.

Mr. Daugherty reported the Public Works Committee met on September 4. Amy Silvers was present to discuss negligent properties and the possibility of having a weekend brush removal. Bids for the new city server were reviewed. Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to accept the state bid from Insight for up to \$40,000. Motion passed. The city's Certified Local Government status was discussed. Currently, the responsibilities for maintaining our CLG status lie with the Carthage Historic Preservation Committee. Mr. Daugherty moved to change those responsibilities to the Planning & Zoning and Historic Preservation Committee. Motion was seconded by Mr. Beckham. Motion carried. Mr. Beckham was present to discuss his proposed Council Bill request addressing properties within the City's limits that have not been annexed and waiving annexation fees to entice voluntary annexation from the property owners.

Special Committee and Board Liaison reports were given by Mr. Topete for the Kellogg Lake Board and the Tree Board, Ms. Otero for the Carthage Humane Society and Harry S Truman Coordinating Council, Mr. Armstrong for the Planning and Zoning and Mr. Snow for the Library Board.

Mayor Rife reported that he will be attending the MML Conference next week along with members of Staff and Council. Mayor Rife also thanked the Public Works and Street Department for the removal of a tree limb on Grand Avenue.

During Council Member reports, Mr. Collier reported that the Public Safety Committee meeting for September 17 has been cancelled. The canceling of the meeting will not affect the Maple Leaf Festival. Mr. Armstrong reported that he is thankful for the discussions and work being done amongst the Council.

Police Chief Greg Dagnan reported that the parking issues at Central and Fulton and Central and Lincoln Streets will be discussed with MoDOT and taken to the next Public Safety meeting.

Fire Chief Roger Williams gave an update on construction progress for Fire Station #2.

Public Works Director Zeb Carney reported that the intersection of Fairview and River is complete. He also reported that they will be installing a new traffic control device at the intersection of Oak and Garrison.

Parks Director Alan Bull reported that the concrete walkways at Central Park are almost completed.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: discussions with Gilmore & Bell in reference to economic development, interviewed three candidates for Carthage Municipal Judge, met with IT Tech Amon Henady and Melanie Blizzard, Memorial Hall, for re-designing the

city's website, Carthage Convention and Visitor's Bureau's bid for the wayfinding sign project, the United Way's kickoff luncheon, a reception for John Hacker, the city can report legal ads in the new Carthage Chronicle newspaper, a potential rate increase for solid waste by Republic Services, the MML Conference next week, a public meeting being held by MoDOT for the proposed roundabout at Fairlawn and Garrison.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$2,059,610.11 against the following funds: General Revenue \$72,144.11, Public Health \$5,524.70, Parks Stormwater \$94,339.54, Golf Course \$18,810.71, Lodging \$8,500.00, Parks & Recreation \$10.14, Capital Improvements \$355.91, Inmate Security Fund \$184.00, Payroll \$359,741.00 and Carthage Water & Electric \$1,500,000.00. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under old business, **C.B. 18-35-** An Ordinance authorizing a special use permit for the operation of private helicopter rides at 2535 Grand Avenue (Forrest Park Baptist Church), City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Daugherty, Snow, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 18-33.

Under new business, **C.B. 18-36-** An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Hicklin Asphalt for all necessary sealing and striping of various parking lots in the City of Carthage, Missouri in the amount of \$9,268.00 was placed on first reading with no action taken.

Mr. Daugherty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Peter Lasley as the Carthage Municipal Judge. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to approve Resolution 1849- A Resolution approving the recommendation of the McCune-Brooks Regional Trust for the distribution of funds from the Restricted Trust Fund. Resolution passed on a vote of 7 yeas, 0 nays and 1 abstention. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Daugherty, Snow, Collier, Beckham, Armstrong. Mr. Newport abstained.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Ms. Otero, to approve Resolution 1850- A Resolution approving the recommendation of the McCune-Brooks Regional Trust for the distribution of funds from the Restricted Trust Fund. Resolution passed on a vote of 7 yeas and 1 nay. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Daugherty, Collier, Beckham, Armstrong, Newport. Nays: Snow.

Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to approve Resolution 1851- A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. Resolution passed. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Daugherty, Snow, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong.

During closing remarks, Mr. Armstrong thanked emergency personnel for their service. Mr. Collier reported that he was excited to see the wayfinding sign project underway along with the new Carthage R-9 schools student activities center. He thanked Police Chief Dagnan and the Carthage R-9 school district on their hard work with the School Resource Officer Program. Mr.

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Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daugherty, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.