

Minutes Of The Meeting Of The City Council
City of Carthage, Missouri
October 9, 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: David Armstrong, Ceri Otero, Darren Collier, Brady Beckham, Kirby Newport, and Juan Topete. Council Members James Harrison, Mike Daugherty, and Alan Snow were 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. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2018 Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rife read a Proclamation declaring October 18, 2018 as Judge Brad Cameron Day and also presented a plaque to Judge Cameron thanking him for his 38 years of dedicated service as Carthage Municipal Court Judge.

During Citizens Participation Period: Mark Elliff, President of the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Director, discussed Maple Leaf events and expressed his support for Resolution 1855.

Mr. Collier reported the Budget, Ways and Means Committee met October 8. Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beckham, to accept the low bid of \$6,680 from Iron Works Steel Supply for hand rails at the Memorial Hall. Motion passed. Budget adjustments included in Resolution 1856 were reviewed and approved. The committee also reviewed bills received from the Carthage Humane Society and discussed what constituted extraordinary medical charges.

Ms. Otero reported the Committee on Insurance/Audit and Claims met on this date in the Council Chambers and approve the claims. Ms. Otero reported employee health insurance renewal rates had been received from Aetna with a 29% increase.

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 October 16.

Ms. Otero reported the Public Works Committee met on October 2. Ordinances and Codes pertaining to the Historical District were discussed with no action taken. There will be a 2.1% increase from Republic Services for trash service.

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

During Council Member reports, Mr. Collier expressed his support for passage of Resolution 1855 and Mr. Armstrong thanked Judge Cameron for his tenure.

Police Chief Greg Dagnan discussed a recent audit of public radios and noted the Police Department is prepared for the upcoming Maple Leaf events.

Fire Chief Roger Williams discussed Fire Prevention Week, the Safety Fair being held October 13, the Pancake Feed to be held during Maple Leaf, and gave an update on construction progress for Fire Station #2.

City Administrator Tom Short reported on the following: his attendance at the MML conference, internal meetings regarding construction of Fire Station #2, bids for renovation of the IT Department at City Hall, initiatives for an employee Wellness Program and distribution of a survey to employees, the Humane Society billing, meetings with the Parks Director and Golf Pro regarding golf revenues, the Enhanced Enterprise Zone meeting, an interview with the auditor, a meeting to discuss future court operations, and a TAP Grant with MoDOT for additional sidewalk projects.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of \$2,815,409.72 against the following funds: General Revenue \$154,254.24, Public Health \$597.78, Parks Stormwater \$2,202.00, Golf Course \$5,488.20, Lodging \$8,500.00, Parks & Recreation \$, Capital Improvements \$186,687.56, Payroll \$336,719.59 and Carthage Water & Electric \$2,000,000.00. Ms. Otero made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under old business, C.B. 18-37- An Ordinance to amend Section 25-61 of the Carthage Code to waive, for a period of six (6) months, the established fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for requests for annexation of property to the city was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 18-35.

C.B. 18-38- An Ordinance to amend Section 14-6 of the Carthage Code to establish compensation for the municipal judge's position was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. The council bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 18-36.

There was no new business.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to approve Resolution 1854- A Resolution of the Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri authorizing the approval of change order No. 3 for the Carthage Stormwater Projects-2018 (Myers Park Detention Pond & 6th and Grant Street Project) and increasing the project budget by an amount not to exceed \$23,000. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. Resolution passed.

Mr. Collier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Beckham, to approve Resolution 1855- A Resolution approving tax abatement for improvements to real property for the purpose of quality job creation within the Enhanced Enterprise Zone of the City of Carthage, Missouri for Leggett & Platt, Inc. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. Resolution passed.

Mr. Newport made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve Resolution 1856- A Resolution providing authorization of appropriation of funds from the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage, Missouri. Ayes: Topete, Otero, Collier, Beckham, Newport, Armstrong. Resolution passed.

During closing remarks, Mr. Armstrong expressed support of Public Power Week, Ms. Otero discussed her role in working with other election poll workers to encourage increased voter participation by holding voter registration drives, and Mr. Beckham encouraged council members to bring items forward for discussion.

Mr. Topete made a motion, seconded by Mr. Collier, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.