



City of Carthage, Missouri

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

May 16, 2023 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

2. Old Business

1. Approval of Previous Minutes.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 2.1. by Brandi Ensor;
second by None;

Motion with a 4:0

AYES: Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri
Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Citizen Participation

(Citizens wishing to address the Council or Committee should notify the City in advance and provide the item they want to address in written format at least 24 hours before the meeting. Please call Chelsea Cholley at the Parks & Recreation office at 417-237-7035, or email c.cholley@carthagemo.gov.)

4. New Business

1. Consider and Discuss Tropix Sales in Parks.

Ms. Almandinger introduced Becky Freeman, owner of Tropix Snow Cone and Dole Whip truck. Ms. Freeman requested permission to park at Carthage Parks throughout the city periodically to sell her items. Ms. Freeman stated that she has attended sports events before and will usually give a percentage earned to the sports event. It was determined by the committee that the policies and ordinances would have to be reviewed before making a decision to allow Ms. Freeman to freely sell in the parks.

No Action Taken.

2. Consider and Discuss Lane Burns Event at Central Park on May 27th.

Ms. Almandinger introduced Ms. Ivie as a representative for the Lane Burns Memorial Event. Ms. Ivie stated that she had previously asked the Public Safety Committee for approval on the road closure for this event and it has been approved to move to council. Ms. Ivie stated that they are requesting to use Central Park on Saturday, May 27th for a celebration for fallen Patrolman Lane Burns. She stated that there would be 4 different food trucks, face painting, a

balloon maker and live bands from 12pm to 9pm. She stated there will be a bounce house that has been donated and will be manned by the sheriff's department and they are working on completing what is needed for the insurance requirements. Ms. Ensor motioned to approve use of Central Park on May 27th 2023 from 12pm to 9pm for the Lanes Burns Event.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 4.2. by Brandi Ensor;
second by None;

Motion with a 4:0

AYES: Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

3. Consider and Discuss Car for Municipal Park Playground.

Ms. Almandinger brought a playground car option for the new Municipal Park playground at the recommendation of a council member. It was determined that the car would not look like it belonged in the playground. Ms. Almandinger stated that this was the only option that was available through Play and Park.

No Action Taken.

4. Consider and Discuss Kellogg Lake Playground Prep/Site Work

Ms. Almandinger brought a bid for site work for Kellogg Lake Playground. She stated that this site prep work would cost more than the other playgrounds given the work required and the location. The cost for the prep work will be completed by Play and Park and will cost \$74,270.00 Ms. Heckmaster motioned to accept the Kellogg Lake Site work bid through Play and Park for the amount of \$74,270.00.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 4.4. by Terri Heckmaster;
second by None;

Motion with a 4:0

AYES: Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

5. Consider and Discuss Central Park Playground.

Ms. Almandinger brought to the committee a concept design for the Central Park Playground. She stated that this playground is a prefabricated playground, not custom like the previous playgrounds approved, and that it will have a larger foot print but it was determined that it will still fit in the current playground location. Ms. Ensor motioned to accept the Play and Park Central Playground concept for the amount of \$120,926.91.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 4.5. by Brandi Ensor;
second by None;

Motion with a 4:0

AYES: Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. Consider and Discuss Manlift Bids.

Ms. Almandinger brought 3 bids for a 50 foot towable manlift to the committee. It was determined that due to the cost of the bids that they will have to be accepted in a sealed bid process.

No Action Taken.

7. Consider and Discuss CXT Restrooms

Ms. Almandinger stated that when the city engineer was ready to purchase the approved bathrooms, it was determined the price that was provided was incorrect. After reviewing, it was determined that the prices provided were not state contract pricing and it was best to complete a new contract and allow a new order for more indestructible options that are available. These new bathrooms will have stainless steel options, drinking fountains, timed locks and baby changing stations. They will cost an average of \$18,000 more than previously but it will still be under the budget allowed by the council. Ms. Blankenship motioned to approve the contract with CXT for Carter and Municipal Park bathrooms at \$224,530.00 each, Griggs Park Bathroom at \$95,555.00, and Kellogg Lake Park bathroom at \$43,550.00.

8. Consider and Discuss Griggs Park Renderings.

Ms. Almandinger provided two concepts to the committee for the new Griggs Park playground. One concept had a rope climbing center while the other had a more traditional bar climbing area. The committee agree that they would like to see option 1, the playground with the rope climbing area. These concepts will be completed by Play and Park, the company used for all other playgrounds. Ms. Blankenship motioned to accept the concept for Griggs Park playground at \$414,138.20.

ACTION: Motion to accept/approve item 4.8. by Trudy Blankenship;
second by None;
Motion with a 4:0

AYES: Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri Heckmaster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

9. Consider and Discuss Pump Track at Municipal Park.

Ms. Almandinger introduced Mr. and Ms. Hess from Hess Brothers Bicycle. Ms. Hess spoke about a concept that they had brought to the committee that would go to the north side of the Municipal Park. The concept includes pump tracks and a kids' bicycle park. The Hess's mentioned the need in our area for these concepts due to the closest comparable track in Bentonville, Arkansas. They stated that this would be something that would bring in cyclists from all around and they could spend the day here in Carthage. This concept would also be great to have events and competitions. They offered to help find funding if this was a concept that the committee liked. The committee agreed that they would like to see something like this in our parks and would be interested in more information.

No Actions Taken.

10. Consider and Discuss NBC Sports Marketing Agreement.

Ms. Almandinger brought information to the committee on the possibility to partner with NBC Sports to advertise our golf course tee sheets. They would advertise our tee sheet to book tee time on multiple websites and apps. This would be a contract with no up front fee or cost but they would get 50% of the first 8 tee times booked and the golf course gets 100% of the tee times booked after. It was determined that the council wanted more information on this contract and it to be brought back to the next Public Services Committee along with the Golf Course Operations Manager. Ms. Ensor motioned to table the agenda item until further information is provided.

ACTION:	Motion to table item 4.10. by Brandi Ensor; second by None; Motion with a 4:0
AYES:	Ed Hardesty, Trudy Blankenship, Brandi Ensor, Terri Heckmaster
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

5. Staff Reports

Ms. Almandinger reviewed the parks and golf report with the committee. She stated that there has been great feedback on the golf course conditions and the Golf Course Maintenance Supervisor, Cody Gray. Ms. Almandinger stated that the pool company would be coming over the next few days to do some repairs. She said there has been a park maintenance crew working on the pool the past few weeks to get it ready to open. They will be working on painting and caulking this next week. Ms. Almandinger said that the stadium demolition should be completed within the next week. Ms. Almandinger updated the committee on the Civil War Video Bid saying that the script has been revamped and is almost ready to move forward to filming. Ms. Almandinger stated there is an open position for Assistance Golf Operations Manager and will be starting interviews this week. Parks has just completed and received approval to adjust the positions over Memorial Hall to encompass recreation and the position for Events and Recreation Coordinator was posted Monday and applications have already been received. Ms. Almandinger requested an additional meeting for Public Services Committee on May 30th at 5:30.

6. Other Business

7. Adjournment