



City of Carthage, Missouri

CITY COUNCIL

June 15, 2023 - 5:30 PM
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

MINUTES

The Carthage City Council met via Zoom video conferencing on the above date at 05:30 PM with Mayor Dan Rife presiding.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Brandi Ensor, Christopher Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, Tiffany Cossey. City Administrator Greg Dagnan and City Attorney Nate Dally were also present. Brandi Ensor and Tiffany Cossey were present via Zoom Conferencing.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Bill Hawkins, Fire Chief Ryan Huntley, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks & Recreation Director Abi Almandinger, Assistant City Administrator Traci Cox, and City Clerk Miranda Deal.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to close the meeting according to section 610.021 (3), the agenda includes the possibility of a vote to close part of the meeting to discuss hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded followed by a show of hands vote of 9 yeas and no nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. Motion carried at 5:33 p.m.

There was no action taken in closed session.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to return to the regular session of the Council Meeting, followed by a show of hands vote of 9 yeas and no nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. Motion carried at 8:14 p.m.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor to remove the members of the Carthage Water and Electric Plant Board due to reasons that have been outlined by City Attorney Nate Dally. Said outlined reasons include the board failing to abide by Ordinance 2-320, and failure to provide budget documents as requested multiple times. Motion carried by a show of hands vote of 7 yeas and 2 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. Nays: Terri Heckmaster and Alan Snow.

Mr. Hardesty made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blankenship, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.