City of Carthage, Missouri

CITY COUNCIL

September 26, 2023 - 6:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date in the Council Chambers at 06:30 PM with Mayor Dan Rife presiding.

Fire Chief Ryan Huntley gave the invocation. Police Chief Bill Hawkins led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship. David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, Tiffany Cossey.

City Administrator Greg Dagnan and City Attorney Nate Dally were also present.

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, City Clerk Miranda Deal, and Deputy City Clerk Amy Taylor.

Mayor Rife reported this meeting is the first to be live-streamed and is a trial run. He also reminded speakers to please speak into their microphones so the audience can hear what is being said, and so the video will receive them. He also apologized for the air conditioning not working in council chambers. Mayor Rife reminded the audience to please be mindful during the public speaking section of the meeting, and asks that no one breaks decorum and thinks of the others in the audience. He mentioned C.B 23-70, and expressed his decision to withdraw his support on C.B 23-70, which is under first reading in this meeting.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cossey, to postpone the meeting until October 2 at 6:30 p.m., to be held at Memorial Hall, pending availability. The motion was followed by a show of hands vote of 3 yeas, 6 nays, and 1 abstain. Ayes: Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey. Nays: Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Abstain: Brandi Ensor. Motion fails.

Ms. Heckmaster made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cossey, to postpone the meeting until October 3 at 6:30 p.m., to be held at Memorial Hall, pending availability. The motion was followed by a show of hands vote of 4 yeas, 4 nays, and 2 abstains. Ayes: Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey. Nays: Chris Taylor, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Abstain: Brandi Ensor and Trudy Blankenship. Mayor Rife casted the tie-breaking vote as nay. Motion fails.

Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2023 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Rife presented proclamations to the Carthage Nazarene Church for their hospitality during Marian Days. He also presented one for Hispanic Heritage Month.

During Citizen's Participation, Jennifer Shotwell, Executive Director for the Area Agency on Aging, thanked the City for the use of the Senior Center building. She outlined the services they have been able to offer, and the number of people they've been able to help, as a result. She also wanted to be sure citizens know the Senior Center is open to all ages, including all meals. She stated the program appreciates the support of the Council and the City.

Alex Boyer, 1184 S. Main St, thanked Mayor Rife for his earlier comments about C.B 23-70, and shared his belief that C.B. 23-70 is an unnecessary ordinance.

Jackie Boyer, 1184 S. Main St, discussed C.B. 23-70 and her belief that C.B 23-70 is not needed. She also discussed the division and differences within the Council over current issues, the railroad bridges, the industrial park grant received from the Steadley Trust, and the appointments of members to the CWEP board listed on the agenda.

Jack Cruza, 701 E Highland, discussed his comments from the last meeting to clarify certain points. He stated that once the management agreement between the City and the Steadley Trust is received, that the first installment would be issued. He also stated that all grant requests from the City will be taken into consideration as always. He stated the Trust feels the City leadership is off course.

Bill Putnam, 624 Belle Air, thanked Greg Dagnan for the receipt of the minutes to the Council meetings he had mentioned in his last comments to the Council, but said he would still like the minutes pertaining to the hiring of the City Administrator. He discussed his belief that the City Administrator was hired incorrectly, and offered his solutions to correct the issue. He also questioned Nate Dally about his job description, and what citizens can do about actions they believe are violations of the Sunshine Law and City Charter.

Mr. Snow reported the Budget Ways & Means Committee is between meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for October 9th. He stated they currently have two council bills on the agenda, C.B. 23-63 and C.B. 23-64.

Ms. Blair reported that the Committee on Insurance met on this day and approved claims. She reported it was discussed during the report from Ms. Cox that the auditors are at City Hall doing the annual audit, which should be completed this week. Also reported was the meeting between City staff and CWEP to discuss the salary study. Both parties have decided, after viewing several proposals, that Lockton would be the best company to do the salary study. She stated Ms. Cossey suggested forming a 6-person board made up of three Council members and three CWEP members be involved in the salary study, and Mr. Dagnan said a proposal with that stipulation will be made for the next committee meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for October 10th.

Mr. Elliff reported that the Public Safety Committee met September 18th. Vickie Ziller was present to speak with the committee on Safe Haven baby boxes. She wants a baby surrender box installed at Carthage Fire Station 2. She discussed with the committee how the process of surrendering a baby and financial costs all worked. The committee asked for more information brought back to the committee and a contract from Safe Haven to discuss and additional information on fund raising. Jeff Meredith presented a PowerPoint to the committee on Economic Development Incentives. The CFD received two bids on the UTV skid unit from Feld Fire and Unruh. Chief Huntley requested to accept the lowest bid from Unruh in the amount of $9,036.50. Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to accept the bid from Unruh in the amount of $9,036.50. Motion carried. Chief Huntley spoke briefly with the committee on the FIT program that is currently being used right now by three of the FIT firefighters. The CFD pays for these employees to go through the academy while being employed at the Fire City of Carthage Department. With a signed agreement in place with the City and the FIT employee, it would hold the employee responsible for holding the firefighter position for a period of not less than twenty-four months, beginning after the completion of the Fire Academy through Crowder College (Cassville, MO site) and initial new hire training program at the Carthage Fire Department. The agreement states that if the FIT firefighter's employment should cease for any reason with the Carthage Fire Department during the initial probationary period (12 months), or any other time prior to becoming a non-probationary firefighter, they will repay 100% of the tuition expenses incurred by the City. Chief Huntley discussed with the committee about needing a budget adjustment for SCBA. Chief had budgeted $26,000 in Fire Sales Tax for three new SCBAs. The prices of these have increased since the budget was approved. He is requesting to add $1,441.00 from Fire Sales Tax to cover the cost of the increase. Making the total $27,441.00. Chief Hawkins spoke with the Committee on twelve out of date tasers that he would like to surplus. After a short discussion, Councilman Snow made a motion to approve the twelve tasers as surplus property, which is on the agenda as Resolution 2009.

Mr. Hardesty reported that the Public Service Committee met September 19th. The committee discussed the donation of supplies and labor to provide communication boards to all remaining new playgrounds that are being completed by the parks, totaling a value of $1,200.00 to be donated by N&L Equipment Sales and TNT Heating & Cooling, which is on the agenda as Resolution 2010. Parks & Recreation Department is creating a Sponsorship Policy to help move forward with recreation and Little League sponsorship opportunities. Mr. Hardesty made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ensor, to approve the Sponsorship Policy. Motion carried. The lighting bids for Memorial Hall were discussed. Two bids were submitted, one from CES Electrical Supply, who submitted a quote in the amount of $16,190.48 and one from Joplin Supply Company in the amount of $16,540.50. It was voted to accept the bid from CES Electrical Supply in the amount of $16,190.48 to purchase 15 lighting fixtures for the Memorial Hall Lighting Project. Mr. Hardesty made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blankenship, to accept the bid from CES Electrical Supply in the amount of $16,190.48 for the Memorial Hall Lighting Project. Motion carried. There was also a discussion on a quote provided to the committee from Game Time Athletics for the purchase of 200 TON of crushed lava rock for 4 baseball fields at $39,456.00. Mr. Hardesty made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ensor, to accept the bid from Game Time Athletics in the amount of $39,456.00 for crushed lava rock. Motion carried. There will be a special meeting October 3 at 5 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be October 17.

Mr. Armstrong reported the Public Works Committee is between meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for October 3rd.

Special Committee and Board Liaison Reports were given by Ms. Heckmaster reported for Vision Carthage and Ms. Blair reported for the Carthage Humane Society.

Mayor Rife reported attending the CEDC Board meeting where the industrial grant management agreement was approved and will be placed on an upcoming Council agenda.

During Remarks from Council Members, Ms. Ensor stated that she is looking forward to the discussion on Council Bill 23-69 and that she does not know how she is going to vote at this time. Mr. Taylor mentioned that he had been contacted and told how to vote on a certain item, CWEP hiring outside counsel when it is against the City Charter, and stated he won't vote to remove Mr. Dagnan. Ms. Blankenship also mentioned that she was conflicted with Council Bill 23-69. Ms. Blair mentioned that she believes that accessibility matters to the public and asked why tonight's meeting couldn't be moved to Memorial Hall. Mayor Rife mentioned that it was too short of a notice, Memorial Hall was not available, and we could not get the equipment needed in time. There were questions asked on other locations that could hold Council meetings other than City Hall and Memorial Hall, Mr. Armstrong suggested the CWEP Community Room. Ms. Blair also commended the Mayor on taking back his stance on Council Bill 23-70. Ms. Heckmaster thanked the Mayor for his potential appointments of quality members to the CWEP Board and addressed other issues that have come up involving CWEP. Mr. Hardesty thanked everyone for their politeness and he addressed social media comments that have been made.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Tiffany Cossey to table the Mayor's appointments of the CWEP Board Members until such time an ordinance is considered to realign the appoint of members to the Board. After debate, a show of hands vote was taken of 4 ayes, 6 nays. Ayes: Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey. Nays: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Motion failed.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Tiffany Cossey, to repeal C.B. 23-70. Motion was amended to amend the agenda and remove C.B. 23-70 from the agenda. A show of hands vote was taken of 6 ayes, 4 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Trudy Blankenship, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey. Nays: Chris Taylor, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Motion carried.

Mr. Elliff read an email he had received from a citizen in Ward 5.

Tiffany Cossey made a motion, seconded by Terri Heckmaster, to move all future Council meetings to Memorial Hall until the anticipated audience can be accommodated in Council Chambers. Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cossey to amend the motion to move all future meetings to the CWEP Community Room until the anticipated audience can be accommodated in Council Chambers. A show of hands vote was taken of 9 ayes, 1 nay. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff and Tiffany Cossey. Nay: Ed Hardesty. Motion carried. The amended motion to move all future Council Meetings to the CWEP Community Room was followed by a show of hands vote of 9 ayes, 1 nay. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff and Tiffany Cossey. Nay: Ed Hardesty.

Ms. Cossey made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blair to hold a public meeting to be decided on at the next council meeting, with all of the CWEP Board and the City Council to discuss everything between the two bodies and figure out a way to move forward. Mr. Armstrong voiced his concerns on that being type of meeting being very long and messy. His suggestion was to reconvene the Ad Hoc Committee of 3 CWEP Board members and 3 Council Members to work through any issues still outstanding. Mr. Hardesty agreed with Mr. Armstrong on not having the full board and council meeting, and instead having a smaller committee. Motion carried to hold a public meeting with CWEP and Council at a future date after a show of hands vote of 7 yeas and 3 nays. Ayes: Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. Nay: Brandi Ensor, David Armstrong, and Ed Hardesty.

City Attorney Nate Dally thanked the Over-60 Center for the work they do with the elderly in the community, and noted that it is a worthy venture. He stated that he encourages people to speak with the Attorney General's office if they have questions or feel they have a need to. He talked about the railroad bridges and stated that talks about the bridges had been going on possibly as early as the mid-1980s – early 1990s between Council and the Mayor, and that MODot has put the maintenance of the bridges on the railroad. The work now is with the Public Service Commission and MODoT's railroad division and getting the bridges taken care of. He commented on the management agreement with CEDC and stated the property hasn't been purchased yet, but, through the agreement, once property is purchased, the CEDC will manage it. He also discussed the resignation of Mr. Short and the hiring of Mr. Dagnan, and stated the minutes from that are the minutes of the April 2022 meeting. That hiring and firing of employees is done in closed session, and that was what was done in this case and was accomplished with an 8 aye, 0 nay vote. He stated those minutes were not put on the internet because that was before the City posted minutes online. He stated compensation of all City employees is approved by ordinance in the budget, and there is a chart in the back of the budget that shows the salary study and that it is broken down further by employee. He stated the Assistant City Administrator position is not considered an Officer of the City, but an employee of the City and, therefore, does not fall under the requirements to be followed in the Charter for the hiring of Officers of the City. He discussed the amended budget. He stated the City is not trying to get rid of third-party groups, as has been alleged in a previous comment. He also stated the hiring of Mr. Dagnan and Ms. Cox was not done by Mr. Miller, as had been alleged in a previous comment and that Mr. Miller, as HR Director, had just posted the open positions.

Parks and Recreation Director Abi Almandinger wanted to be sure all the citizens know that no reservations are required in order to use the park spaces. However, if a citizen wants to make a reservation, they can do so to guarantee a pavilion.

Assistant City Administrator Traci Cox reported that city use tax is up 58% and sales tax revenue is down 4.8% over the same period as last year, and she encourages citizens to buy locally. She announced the City employees are having a canned food drive competition and asked that any who would like to donate canned foods, to please do so, they can be taken to any department. Ms. Cox thanked Alan Snow for his comments on decorum, and that conversations have been very good this meeting compared to how they have gone in the past. She states that it is going to take an effort on everyone's part to calm the discussions during Council. She stated that Mr. Armstrong has worked very hard at with the City and CWEP, but she does not feel the Ad Hoc Committee has gone anywhere because three Council members do not represent the majority. She stated she knows there are a lot of issues that need to be fixed, but they cannot be fixed in one meeting. Issues should be prioritized and all should work together to resolve them one at a time. That if it can be shown to the citizen's that all are working together to resolve the issues that it would ease the concerns of not only CWEP, but the City as well. She looks forward to the proposed joint meeting and hopes progress can be made as a result.

City Administrator Greg Dagnan reported that City staff is auditing the Boards and Commissions to check for compliance and to be sure correct contact information is listed. He mentioned the QR code that is now in use for easy access to the Council packet, which he thinks is a great idea. He stated the packet of Council minutes that were on each Councilpersons desk was due to the fact that a new QR code is required any time changes are made to the packet or agenda, therefore the minutes were handed out to prevent the requirement of a new QR code. Mr. Dagnan stated that he agrees with what Mr. Cruza said during Public Comments, and that he had talked to the Bank of America (BoA) trustee for the Steadley Trust to get information about rumors he had heard regarding future grant requests from the City. He wanted to get direct information so the City knew what was correct. He stated the Council has all emails exchanged between him and the BoA Trustee for transparency. The BoA Trustee stated the City is in no danger of losing the grant as long as they continue to do what it required under the terms of the grant. He stated the Council has a copy of the management agreement in their packet, and it will be on the agenda for the next Budget Committee meeting, to hopefully be completed through Council and back to BoA in October. He reported there is a Staff meeting every other Tuesday, and it is reported there are a lot of good things going on in the City. That all the department heads and all staff should be appreciated and respected for all the hard work they do. He stated that with all that has gone, it has been forgotten to talk about the good things, and that something good was always talked about during previous meetings. He stated he would like to get back to that practice. He also announced that 41 people were watching the live-stream of the meeting. He also apologized for reporting that a ramp would have to be built for use at Memorial Hall, he was unaware the ramp previously used was still available. Mr. Dagnan announced that five classes of 2nd grade students from Fairview came to tour City Hall, and that it was a lot of fun.

The Committee on Claims filed a report in the amount of $709,789.78 against the following funds: General Revenue $179,256.02, Public Health $146,572.75, Lodging $1,259.77, Public Safety $395.01, Parks/Stormwater $6,317.50, Golf $11,351.31, Capital Improvements $18,551.39, Use Tax $1,676.50, Public Facilities $5,046.00, ARPA $286.29, and Payroll $339,077.24. Ms. Blair made a motion, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to accept the report and allow the claims. Motion carried.

Under Old Business, C.B. 23-63 -- An Ordinance amending the Annual Operating and Capital Budget of the City of Carthage for Fiscal Years 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 for the General Fund was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-69.

C.B. 23-64 -- An Ordinance of the City of Carthage, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City of Carthage, Missouri and Total Electronics Contracting, Inc. for installing door access controls for security at City Hall was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-70.

C.B. 23-65 -- An Ordinance of the City of Carthage, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Contract between the City of Carthage, Missouri and G&G Construction Co. Inc. for sidewalk improvements along River St. between Fairview and Airport Drive, pursuant to TAP 1601(704), in the amount of $318,269.23 in the City of Carthage, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-71.

C.B. 23-66 -- An Ordinance establishing a nuisance and abatement violation cost recovery fee, in the City of Carthage, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-72.

C.B. 23-67 -- An Ordinance to amend Chapter 13 of the Code of the City of Carthage to add Article IX: Aesthetic Regulations, in the City of Carthage, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-73.

C.B. 23-68 -- An Ordinance authorizing a special use permit for operation of Carnival at Fair Acres Sports Complex, in the City of Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-74.

C.B. 23-69 -- An Ordinance to amend Section 2-317 and Section 2-121 of the Carthage Code to include the Members of the CWEP Board under the removal procedure the same as officers of the City and to change the removal to be for cause for all officers of the City, in the City of Carthage, Missouri was placed on second reading followed by a roll call vote of 8 yeas and 2 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey. Nay: Ed Hardesty and Mark Elliff. The Council Bill was approved and numbered Ordinance 23-75.

During Mayor's Appointments, Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hardesty to approve the Mayor's Appointment's as presented.

Mayor Rife called a five minute recess at 9:05 pm. Council reconvened at 9:11 pm.

Mr. Snow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blair to divide the question. Motion carried with Mr. Armstrong casting a nay vote.

Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Shelby Baugh-Bruner to the McCune-Brooks Hospital Board until May 2027. Motion carried.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hardesty, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Sid Teel to the Carthage Water & Electric Board until July 2027. Motion carried after a vote of 6 yeas and 4 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Nays: Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Elliff, to approve the Mayor's appointment of Tom Garrison to the Carthage Water & Electric Board until September 2027. Motion carried after a vote of 6 yeas and 4 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Ed Hardesty, and Mark Elliff. Nays: Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Alan Snow, and Tiffany Cossey.

Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to adopt Resolution 2009 - A Resolution approving the declaration as surplus to the City's needs and authorizing the disposition of twelve X26P tasers via a donation to smaller agencies. Resolution 2009 was adopted after a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey.

Mr. Armstrong made a motion, seconded by Mr. Elliff, to adopt Resolution 2010 - A Resolution providing for the formal acceptance of a donation by the City Council of the City of Carthage, Missouri pursuant to City Policy. Resolution 2010 was adopted after a roll call vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Ayes: Brandi Ensor, Chris Taylor, Trudy Blankenship, David Armstrong, Robin Blair, Terri Heckmaster, Ed Hardesty, Alan Snow, Mark Elliff, and Tiffany Cossey.

During Closing Comments, Ms. Heckmaster thanked all in attendance, and thanked the Mayor for his work in helping this City through current issues. Mr. Snow expressed interest in starting City Government Day to help get high school students involved in City Council meetings again, as has been done in the past. He hopes someone is able to make contact with the schools to get the program reinstated next spring. He also mentioned Carthage football, and congratulated the Carthage soccer team on a great season so far this year. Ms. Cossey thanked Ms. Cox for her comments made earlier in the meeting, and thanked the audience and those watching the live-stream for their attendance. She believes citizen participation helps the Council see what issues citizens care about. She encourages citizens to be in attendance at all Council meetings. Ms. Ensor explained her 'no' vote on the joint meeting of the Council and CWEP board. It is her belief that a large meeting would be chaotic and is in favor of a smaller committee being formed to address issues. She thanks Michael Keith for the work done which allows the meetings to be posted online, for the ability to live-stream, and for the creation of the QR code. Ms. Blankenship announced that Saturday, September 30, from noon – 11 p.m. is Spanish Heritage Day at Central Park and is open to the public. Mr. Armstrong expressed his gratitude for the live stream of the meeting.

Ms. Blair made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

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Dan Rife, Mayor

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Miranda Deal, City Clerk