



City of Carthage, Missouri
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

April 22, 2025 - 4:45 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

2. Old Business

1. Approval of 3-17-25 Minutes

Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the 3-17-25 minutes as presented. Motion passes.

3. Citizen Participation

(Each person addressing the Committee shall state their name and address or the organization or firm represented and is limited to no more than five (5) minutes. The time may be extended by the chair if deemed necessary. Once a person has had their say on a particular issue, they are not permitted to once again speak on the issue unless called to answer any further questions by the Committee or Chair)

1. Consider and discuss 3rd Annual Park Day in Central Park - Angel Himes

Angel Himes spoke with the committee on the 3rd Annual Park Day in Central Park on June 7, 2025. No motion was needed.

2. Consider and discuss St. Luke's color run/walk - Cassie Nichols

Cassie Nichols and Melissa James spoke with the committee on the St. Luke's color run/walk event is scheduled for June 14, 2025. Ms. Nichols and Ms. James will meet with Public Works and the Police Department to determine the needs for the event and present again at the next Public Safety Meeting.

3. Consider and discuss Kids Fishing Day, June 7th - Jackie Boyer

Jackie Boyer spoke with the committee on Kids Fishing Day on June 7, 2025. She requested street closures within Kellogg Lake Park for the Annual Kids Fishing Day Event. Patrol of Kellogg Lake Park will be increased beginning June 2nd as that is when the lake will be stocked for the event. Councilman Taylor made a motion to block the streets on Friday June 6, 2025 as in years past. Motion passes.

4. Consider and discuss Art in Park - Sally Stuart, Vision Carthage

Sally Stuart spoke with the committee on the Art in the Park, an evening soiree, on June 28, 2025 from 7-10pm in Central Park. This is a private benefit for Vision Carthage. She is requesting to allow alcohol in Central Park on June 28th from 7:00pm to 10:00pm for the event. Councilman Taylor made a motion to allow alcohol in Central Park on June 28th from 7-10pm for the event. Motion passes.

5. Consider and discuss Annual Neighborhood block party on Wendy Lane - Jessica Duncan

Jessica Duncan spoke with the committee on the Annual Neighborhood block party. She requested closing Wendy Lane within the cross streets of Laura Street and Buena Vista on May 31st from 4-9pm for the event. Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the street closure as presented for the Annual Neighborhood block party as in years past. Motion passes.

4. New Business

1. Consider and discuss CWEP Big Truck event - Meagan Milliken
Meagan Milliken from Carthage Water & Electric spoke with the committee on the "CWEP Big Truck" event. She is requesting to temporarily close 7th Street from Garrison Ave. to Lyon Street, including the intersection of Maple Street & 7th Street on the morning of Wednesday, April 30th, from 9-11:30am. Councilman Taylor made a motion to close 7th Street from Garrison Ave. to Lyon Street, including the intersection of Maple Street & 7th Street, on April 30th for the "CWEP Big Truck" event. Motion passes.
2. Consider and discuss alcohol at Food Truck Fridays - Melissa Little
Tourism Director Melissa Little spoke with the committee on allowing alcohol at the remaining Food Truck Friday events in Central Park from 4-9pm. The committee suggested that alcohol be contained by roping off an area specifically for alcohol. Councilman Taylor made a motion to accept alcohol at Food Truck Friday. Motion passes.
3. Consider and discuss the surplus of the Police Command Bus - Chief Hawkins
Chief Hawkins spoke with the committee to surplus the 1990 International 3800 FBC Command bus. The PD will be keeping the air conditioning unit and the generator from the bus. Councilman Barlow made a motion to surplus the command bus. Motion passes.
4. Consider and discuss budget reallocation- Chief Martin
Chief Martin spoke with the committee on the reallocation of Use Tax money from Honor Guard uniforms (\$9500) to Station 1 riding-style mower. With the money reallocated to mowers, he will purchase 2 mowers, one for Station 1 and, with the reallocated money, a riding mower for Station 2. Councilman Barlow made a motion to allow the reallocation. Motion passes.
5. Consider and discuss donation to the Fire Department
Chief Martin spoke with the committee on a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Jim Woestman to the Carthage Fire Department. Councilman Taylor made a motion to accept the donation from Jim Woestman. Motion passes.
6. Staff Reports

Fire Department

Chief Martin gave a brief storm siren update and staff update.

Police Department

Chief Hawkins had nothing further to discuss.

5. Adjournment

Councilman Taylor made a motion to adjourn at 5:24pm. Motion passes.

