City of Carthage, Missouri

BUDGET WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

August 10, 2026 - 5:30 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

2. Old Business

1. Approval of July 13, 2026 Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Thorn, Alan Snow, Ron Wells
MEMBERS ABSENT:Juan Topete, Beth Kang

OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS: Mayor David B. Flanigan

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Traci Cox, Administrative Assistant Dorothy Weber, City Clerk Miranda Deal

Chair Alan Snow called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM

3. Citizens Participation

(Citizens wishing to speak should notify Department Head or Committee Chair in advance)

4. New Business

1. Consider and Discuss Acceptance of State Taxi Grant

The City was awarded 5271.05 by the State of Missouri for FY 26/27 for the 5311 grant for the taxi program.

ACTION:	Motion to forward acceptance of the taxi grant to council with revisions for the amount of the grant and change federal to state by David Thorn Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Alan Snow, David Thorn, Ron Wells
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

2. Consider and Discuss Budget Amendment for FY 25-26

Mrs. Deal stated that the budget amendment is for the final fiscal year-end clean up. The amendment adjusted the overages in some of the departments. The Civil War Museum needed a HVAC fix and golf needed to be adjusted for concession sales. Mr. Wells asked about deficit rollover. Ms. Cox stated that the

City is still in good standing even with the rollovers.

ACTION:	Motion to forward budget amendment to council by David Thorn
	Motion passed with a 2:0
AYES:	Alan Snow, David Thorn
NOES:	Ron Wells
ABSTAIN:	None

3. Consider and Discuss Tax Levy for 2026

Mr. Snow explained the levy and the state mandates to the committee. The valuations went up but the tax levy stayed the same. The first reading for the tax levy (which is .6629%) will be at the Aug 11, 2026 Council meeting and the public hearing for the tax levy will be at the Aug 25th Council meeting.

ACTION:	Motion to forward tax levy for 2026 to Council by Ron Wells.
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Alan Snow, Ron Wells, David Thorn
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

4. Staff Reports

Michael Keith spoke about Marian Days and how he feels like all the bugs have been worked out for future Marian Day celebrations. He stated that he did notice bandwidth issues, so he plans on purchasing new routers for next year. Mr. Keith updated the committee on his progress getting switched over to Verizon. He stated that it has taken longer than it should have because of communication issues with Verizon. Mr. Keith then asked if the Committee was okay with him publishing an RFP for the FD door project. Mr. Snow gave the go ahead as long as it stays within budget. Mr. Keith then spoke about the IT grant application that he is waiting to open to apply.

Miranda Deal spoke about year-end financial entries. Mrs. Deal also updated the Committee on the purchase of the PW grader and that it should be dropped off this week.

Traci Cox stated that sales tax is up 3% from the same time last year and that use tax is up 4.86% from this time last year.

5. Adjournment

ACTION:	Motion to Adjourn at 6:09 PM by Ron Wells
	Motion passed with a 3:0
AYES:	Ron Wells, David Thorn, Alan Snow
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None