

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday January 16, 2024 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: LaDonna Allen, Mike Burns, Rick Flinn, Bill Maguire, Bob McAfee, David Pyle, and Hollie LaVigne. Roger Spencer was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Alaina Wright and City Administrator Assistant Crystal Winkfield.

AGENDA

LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the agenda as presented. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

PUBLIC FORUM

Carole Wofford – 207 Verbryck – She asked if the white stripes on the outside of the lanes on Briarbrook Drive would be striped if the bid is approved. Mayor Powers said that was included in the quote.

P&Z CASES

Mayor Powers asked for discussion regarding Case #24-01 – Acquisition of Marie Lane – City of Carl Junction

Steve Lawver said P&Z met on this last week and are recommending approval. Mike Talley said the city is taking a deed for the property and we usually take right of ways, so we will be completely responsible for the property, even if there is no road there. Steve Lawver said it would not be possible to vacate the road in the future.

ORDINANCES

LaDonna Allen motioned to put “**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A QUIT-CLAIM DEED TO MARIE LANE CONTAINING 1.0 ACRES MORE OR LESS IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 16 TOWNSHIP 28 RANGE 33 IN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, JASPER COUNTY, MISSOURI, FROM VILLAS OF BRIARBROOK, LLC., A MISSOURI LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; AND AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO RECORD SAID DEED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI**” on first reading by title only. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

David Pyle motioned to put it on second reading by title only. LaDonna Allen seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on final passage. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

LaVigne-yes, McAfee-yes, Flinn-yes, Spencer-absent, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Maguire-yes, Pyle-yes. Motion on Ordinance #24-02 was approved by roll call vote, signed by the Mayor, attested by the City Clerk and made a part of the permanent records of the City of Carl Junction.

REPORTS

Long-Term Project report – Steve Lawver said the Center Creek playground designs came in after the report was sent out. He said there were two quotes received from Play & Park structures, one for \$129,418.81 and one for \$144,701.38 and we had budgeted \$135,000 from ARPA funding. Steve said he reached out to Landscape Structures and asked about designs and they never returned a quote.

Bob McAfee asked if the area where the playground equipment belongs ever floods and Steve Lawver said it does not.

Mike Burns asked what the lead time would be when ordering the equipment. Steve Lawver said he would have to ask because he wasn't sure. He also asked about the discount listed for each quote and if the discount meant we would install it ourselves and Steve Lawver said no. Mayor Powers said we should clarify who would be responsible for installing the equipment.

Rick Flinn asked if the colors in the pictures would be the color of the equipment and Steve Lawver said the colors are the only thing we could change.

David Pyle asked if ARPA funds could be reallocated to the pool if need be and Steve Lawver said yes.

LaDonna Allen said her recommendation would be to choose the \$144,000 option. Mayor Powers said until we had specified the conditions of payment, it would probably need an ordinance to approve the purchase.

Steve Lawver said he has clarification on payment, colors, discount and lead time on the to-do list, and he will check again with Landscape Structures.

Hollie LaVigne asked if anyone wanted to consider a community building playground and Steve Lawver said he would need to check with MIRMA before doing something like that to see about our liability options.

Steve Lawver said he hasn't given the Memorial Park permanent lighting project to the engineers yet because Liberty Utilities still needs to run power to the area.

LaDonna Allen asked if the stormwater issue on Cowgill is because of something we did and Steve Lawver said no. He said it's a combination of the stormwater ditch behind the Community Center, and the construction company for the towers put too small of a whistle in when they built the tower. Bill Maguire asked if the drainage ditch was on city property, and Steve Lawver said it's on both city property and private property.

Hollie LaVigne asked what Phase VI of the sidewalk project is and Steve Lawver said that is from Dean to Arlington. She asked if anything could be done about getting sidewalks in front of the high school. Steve Lawver said you could run a sidewalk between

the road and the side of the high school. Hollie LaVigne said she'd like to see that done and crosswalks installed. Steve Lawver said he was told to contact a district engineer about the crosswalk situation on Z highway.

Radarsign provided an updated quote for the additions requested last time and it brought the quote up to \$8,854.00. Hollie LaVigne asked if the quote was for two portable signs and Steve Lawver said yes. Rick Flinn motioned to approve the quote from radarsign for the purchase of two portable radar signs. David Pyle seconded. Bob McAfee, Rick Flinn, LaDonna Allen, Bill Maguire and David Pyle were in favor. Mike Burns & Hollie LaVigne were opposed and one absent.

Steve Lawver said the striping request from last time came in as a \$6,000 quote. LaDonna Allen said she looked and we have historically paid for striping work from the 2" overlay account and there was \$100,000 budgeted this year and we haven't used any of it. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the quote for road striping from Advanced Workzone Services. David Pyle seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

Public Works report – Hollie LaVigne asked if a new employee had been hired and Steve Lawver said no. He said he received 30 applications and has given them to Jay Morton to review.

Police Dept. report – Chief McCall said the installation of the new ticketing system is ongoing and seems to be coming along quickly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: LaDonna Allen said there will be a meeting January 24 at 4:15 PM.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn had nothing to report.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer was absent.

Public Facilities & Planning: Mike Burns had nothing to report.

Economic Development: Hollie LaVigne had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Hollie LaVigne said she sent an email about the Chamber of Commerce give back and she would like to see everyone get involved.

Hollie LaVigne asked who was responsible for street maintenance in inclement weather. Steve Lawver said the city does that and that the main roads are done first and the side streets are after that if there's time. He said it depends on the type of storm and sometimes it doesn't do any good to salt the roads. Jay Morton said they try to start with the hilly areas.

David Pyle said he would like to work toward a timeline of making a decision on the pool now that we've been given the options available to us.

NEW BUSINESS

Alaina Wright said Republic Services cancelled their Monday and Tuesday routes due to the weather, and would pick up with normal Wednesday routes. They said anyone whose collection was missed could put trash around their cart and it will all be picked up next week.

Alaina Wright said the MML Legislative Conference is February 20th and 21st for anyone who wants to attend.

CLOSED SESSION PER RSMO 610.021 (3): HIRING, FIRING, DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES BY A PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHEN PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED


LaDonna Allen motioned to go into closed session. David Pyle seconded. Roll call vote: LaVigne-yes, McAfee-yes, Flinn-yes, Spencer-absent, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Maguire-yes, Pyle-yes. Council went into closed session at 8:01 PM.


Council meeting reconvened at 8:32 PM.

Mayor Powers said there were no votes or action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

LaDonna Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.


CITY CLERK


MAYOR