

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday September 5, 2023 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, Roger Spencer, and Hollie LaVigne. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Alaina Wright and City Administrator Assistant Crystal Winkfield.

**AGENDA**

Roger Spencer motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no one present for public forum.

**REVIEW OF SCOPE OF SERVICES & PROPOSED FEES FOR BULLDOG BEACH ASSESSMENT**

Steve Lawver said there is a proposal from Waters Edge out of Kansas City, which has been very active in the area lately. He said this is the only company that submitted a proposal. Steve said \$7,300 is the base fee and then they will give us repair and replacement costs. LaDonna Allen said this was discussed earlier in the budget meeting and there is money in the pool repairs accrual account. Hollie LaVigne asked when they would do this project and Steve Lawver said it would be done by November. Mike Burns asked if we can use the assessment to make the required repairs, and Steve Lawver said no, it would still have to go to engineering after the assessment. Bill Maguire asked who would make the final decision to decide on what would happen to the pool and Steve Lawver said it would be a decision of the Board of Aldermen. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept the proposal from Waters Edge. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Mike Talley said an ordinance would be needed for the contract.

**APPOINT MEMBERS TO P&Z AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS**

Mayor Powers said he would like to appoint Steve Lawver, Bruce Shotwell, Eric Marriott and Adam Davenport to the P&Z Commission. Rick Flinn asked how long the term was and Steve Lawver said they were two year terms. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the appointments. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Mayor Powers said he would like to appoint Cheryl Shelby and Joshua Oathout to Board of Adjustments. Roger Spencer motioned to approve. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR LAKESIDE PARK**

Steve Lawver said there was a letter from Bartlett & West on the bids for the shelter. Bids were received from R.E. Smith for \$664,000, CSG for \$692,800, and Crossland for \$699,000. He said R.E. Smith was the apparent low bidder and their recommendation is to go with R.E. Smith. Steve said additional funds of \$58,455 have been secured from LWCF since the grant was submitted so long ago. He said Crystal Winkfield has drafted a letter to begin seeking funds to help with the city match portion. He said Crystal spoke with MO Parks and they have approved using R.E. Smith if the council approves it. LaDonna Allen asked if there would be more expenses or if this would be the full cost of the project. Steve Lawver said currently this would be the only costs but it is possible there could be change orders later. Mayor Powers said this would be a prevailing wage job. LaDonna Allen questioned if the city would be responsible for half the amount of the contract with RE Smith which would be \$330,000 and Steve Lawver said that was correct. Mike Burns said he thought it would be best to put the idea to buy new playground equipment for Center Creek Park on hold right now and use the funds allotted to that for the playground equipment at Lakeside Park. Mike Burns wanted to confirm the \$660,000 is in addition to what has already been spent and Steve Lawver said that was correct. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the bid from R.E. Smith. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

**ORDINANCES**

LaDonna Allen motioned to put **“AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE SITE AGREEMENT ORIGINALLY BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION AND ROBERTS WIRELESS PROPERTIES, L.L.C., SAID FIRST AMENDMENT BEING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION AND T-MOBILE CENTRAL LLC, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, TO EXTEND THE SITE AGREEMENT FOR FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL FIVE (5) YEAR TERMS, AT THE OPTION OF T-MOBILE CENTRAL LLC, PROVIDING THE TERMS OF SAID EXTENDED SITE AGREEMENT, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAID FIRST AMENDMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI”** on first reading by title only. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Discussion: Steve Lawver said when this amendment goes into place, the rent we receive will go from \$1,500 to \$1,609 and it goes up 15% every time it renews.

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

Discussion: There was no further discussion.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on final passage. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

LaVigne-yes, McAfee-yes, Flinn-yes, Spencer-yes, Allen-yes, Burns-yes, Maguire-yes, Pyle-yes. Motion on Ordinance #23-34 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

The Council reviewed the Administration report. David Pyle asked if a job posting had gone up yet for the custodial position and Steve Lawver said it had not. He said he had notified Jani King that the city would be looking for an employee to do the cleaning.

Mayor Powers asked if anything had been put on the water bills telling people to sign up for the fiber optic installation and Steve Lawver said no. Mike Burns said he was concerned that would look like the city was advertising for the service.

Public Works report – There was no discussion.

Police Dept. report – There was no report available. Rick Flinn asked Chief McCall if he had received any applications and Chief McCall said he was looking at an officer and a dispatcher to hire.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: LaDonna Allen said there was a budget meeting at 6:00 PM to go over the first quarter budget. She said most everything is tracking good.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn had nothing to report.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

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

Economic Development: Hollie LaVigne said she would be having their first meeting in two weeks.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Lawver said he gave everyone a schedule for the MML Conference.

## NEW BUSINESS

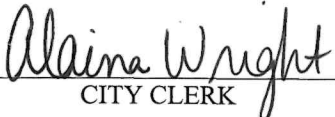
Steve Lawver said with the approval of the board we would start closing the building at 9:00 PM rather than 10:00 PM, which would allow time to clean prior to opening the next day. Mayor Powers asked when he would want to start that and Steve Lawver said as soon as approval was given for it. Mike Burns said no decision should be made until the next meeting to give everyone time to consider that proposal.


Steve Lawver said Christmas Eve is Sunday and Christmas Day is Monday and historically when that has happened we have taken that Tuesday off, but it does have to be approved.

Bill Maguire asked about the stop sign project at Fir and Briarbrook Drive. Mayor Powers said there is a proposal from Olsson, but Jasper County and Joplin Special Road District are not in favor of a stop sign. Steve Lawver said tomorrow he has a webinar regarding transportation funding available through the state.

## ADJOURNMENT

LaDonna Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR