

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday November 1, 2022 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: LaDonna Allen, Rick Flinn, Bob McAfee, Roger Spencer, Mike Burns, Mike Satterlee, and Hollie LaVigne. Jim Gozia was absent. 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 with one absent. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Hollie LaVigne seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

### PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one present for public forum.

### REPORTS

The Council reviewed the Administration report. There was no discussion.

Long Term Projects report - Steve Lawver said the awards for the ARPA water line and storm water improvement grants have been pushed back to the middle of November.

Steve said Optic Communications have been in town a lot recently and will be getting started on their work.

Steve said they've talked about the contract for Lakeside Park and they're going to look at it again and offer a new contract. He said we had \$44,000 budgeted, and the state will allow 25% more, up to a \$50,000. However, anything beyond that would have to be funded entirely by the city. Steve said if they bring back another contact that is still outside the range, we can move on to one of the other bidders.

Hollie LaVigne asked about the digital signs. Steve said there were plans for one at Briarbrook Drive and Fir Road and one at Memorial Park since we can't meet the setback requirements at Highways 171 and Z.

Hollie LaVigne asked about the website. Alaina Wright said FES has the website done on their end, and now we just need to decide if we want it to go live before there is more content available.

Public Works report – Mayor Powers asked about Cooper Wyrick and Jeff Law going to wastewater class. Jay Morton said they will be taking their test this Friday.

Police Dept. report - Mark McCall said he was out of the office last week, and he will have information for everything going on at the next meeting.

LaDonna Allen said there was a complaint from a Ward 2 resident complaining about a bread truck being parked at Joplin & Allen which is causing a traffic hazard when trying to pull out onto Joplin Street.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: LaDonna Allen said she would like to have a joint meeting between the Budget Committee and Public Facilities Committee about some of the potential new projects. Ladonna Allen and Mike Burns decided on a joint meeting at 6:00 pm on November 15.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn said the committee met at 6:30 pm about amending chapter 340 to include an ordinance for cutting corners, and he said the committee is recommending approval.

Rick Flinn said they also talked about amending Chapter 110, which has to do with elections and requirements to hold office. He said the current language says aldermen cannot be in arrears in taxes, but the mayor's section does not, and they would like to add it.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities & Planning: Mike Burns had nothing to report. Mayor Powers asked if anyone had talked to Ray Schmidt about sprinklers and Mike Burns said no but that he would get in contact with him.

Senior Citizens: Richard Garrett was appreciative of what has been done about the lighting but said the job is not done yet.

Hollie LaVigne asked if the first Saturday breakfast was this weekend and Richard said yes.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Lawver said three weeks ago another pump was torn up at the Deerfield Lift Station. He said Kurt has come up with a basket system that will cause approximately \$40,000 to install. He said we have over \$500,000 in reserves for the sewer system for situations like this. Steve said the pumps cost around \$28,000 each and sometimes the issue completely burns up the pump and they have to be replaced.


Steve said we got the insurance renewal and it will be increasing between five and eight percent. He said we are also looking at changing vision & dental coverage to get better benefits, or a lower cost for the same benefits.

### NEW BUSINESS

Mark Satterlee said the lights on the outdoor basketball court are staying on. Steve Lawver said he would have the electrician look at the timer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

LaDonna Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR