

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session, on Tuesday October 02, 2018 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: Rick Flinn, Richard Zaccardelli, Roger Spencer, LaDonna Allen, Mike Burns, Randy Hutcheson, and Mark Satterlee. Aldermen Don Marshall was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, and City Clerk Maribeth Matney.

### AGENDA

Roger Spencer motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed one absent. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed one absent.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Brett Wheeler 803 Summerlyn Lane, addressed the council regarding the BYAA. Mr. Wheeler is concerned that the voices of the parents are not being heard and that some decisions are made based on a bias. Brett Wheeler stated that he would personally like to see the city get more involved in youth sports and the shaping of the youth in the community. Mr. Wheeler stated that he personally believes that with the size of our city, that it is a great opportunity to start a Parks and Recreation department and that he would really like to see the city be involved in helping to shape the lives of not just youth traditional sports but non-traditional sports as well.

Bill Anderson 27272 Fleece Lane. Mr. Anderson stated that he would like to address the city in regards to the parental concerns of the BYAA. Mr. Anderson stated that he, as a coach, would like to see the city work in conjunction with the school administration to be able to facilitate the administrative duties, to help keep the teams organized so that everything has transparency in regards to funds, so that everything can be allocated for what is being used for fields, expenditures, equipment, etc. because the parents and the coaches are not allowed to see where the money in the BYAA has been going. Mr. Anderson stated that if the parents and coaches could see where the money is going it would help with bringing in more kids and encourage families to participate and even watch the game and make the games more family oriented. Mr. Anderson feels that in the current situation the family element has been lost. Mr. Anderson stated that the numbers for football have been cut in half and that the children are going to other towns and travel teams. Mr. Anderson stated that he feels that the city could facilitate everything better and that there would be transparency on the funds.

Timothy Smith 110 Cambridge. Mr. Smith asked the audience to raise their hands to show the Board of Alderman how many people were in attendance to facilitate change within the youth sports in Carl Junction. Most of the audience raised their hands.

Steva Bolinger, 305 Summit. Ms. Bolinger stated it has been proven that the football team numbers have been cut in half. That what used to be two full teams now have only one. Ms. Bolinger stated that the city loses revenue from children playing elsewhere. Ms. Bolinger stated that funds are not going back into the program as they should be. That the equipment has not been updated. Ms. Bolinger also stated that it only makes sense for the city to go to a parks and rec program. Ms. Bolinger stated that it would benefit the city and include all ages.

Frankie Rowden 606 Joplin. Frankie Rowden grew up in Carl Junction. Mr. Rowden stated that during that time a tremendous crowd was always involved with sports. Currently, there are so many children that are disbursed either with travel teams or playing in another town. Mr. Rowden asked the council why the city could not run a Parks and Recreation department to help keep the parents more involved.

Stephanie Coburn 706 Leisure Lane. Ms. Coburn believes there should be better checks on the coaching. Ms. Coburn has previously coached her son's soccer team for the BYAA. Ms. Coburn feels that the dwindling crowds could be brought back to Carl Junction. Ms. Coburn stated that there is absolutely no direction on how to coach the teams within the BYAA. Ms. Coburn stated that when being involved with team sports, there needs to be an itinerary, code of ethics, and a code of conduct. Ms. Coburn stated that when previous leaders were in charge of the BYAA that the association ran smoothly but that under the current administration there are many concerns. Ms. Coburn feels that the city needs to take on a parks and recreation department.

Jennifer Smith 27100 Frisco Lane. Ms. Smith has coached multiple softball teams in the BYAA and currently has 3 children in the BYAA as well. Ms. Smith stated that every child on a traveling team is required to play league ball. As a coach softball and baseball system inside of Carl Junction, Ms. Smith feels that the girls are being left behind. Ms. Smith stated that the girl's teams are not given the same opportunities as the boys. That the boys are given the opportunity to play all-stars but the girls are not. Ms. Smith stated that the team does not even belong to a league. Ms. Smith feels there is a very large bias within the association. Ms. Smith feels that the kids deserve to be invested in and that the girls should be treated equal to the boys. Ms. Smith wishes to have politics completely out of the association, and a fair playing field.

Shannon Hoffman 21744 Freedom. Ms. Hoffman has 4 children that have gone through BYAA. Ms. Hoffman stated there were 2 or three years in a row where you couldn't be done with the league by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. This season was over before the 4th of July. Ms. Hoffman stated that no one wants to play league ball. Ms. Hoffman stated that the rules have been dumbed down and that there is no competition. Ms. Hoffman stated that the numbers have fallen dramatically and that the football league went from having 3 full teams to barely one. Ms. Hoffman stated that everyone is leaving and finding other places for kids to play. Ms. Hoffman feels that it would be a great idea for the city to take over and create a Parks and Recreation department.

Closed Public Forum at 7:20 PM.

### P&Z CASE

Case #18-08 - Anthony Warmoth - Rezoning of 904 W Briarbrook Lane from C-2 to R-1. Mayor Powers opened the public hearing at 7:21 PM.

Jennifer Warmoth lives at 904 W Briarbrook Lane. Jennifer asked the Council to please consider the rezoning from C-2 to R-1. Steve Lawver stated that the Planning and Zoning commission met last night and recommended approval. Public hearing closed 7:22 pm

Case #18-09 - Jim & Kimmy Hoaglin - Rezoning of 119 Cedar Lane from R-1 to R-2. Mayor Powers opened the public hearing at 7:23 PM.

Steve Lawver stated that there is a letter withdrawing the application for rezoning. Public hearing closed 7:24 PM.

#### **DISCUSSION OF SEWER SYSTEM SCEAP GRANT EXPANSION OF SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Steve Lawver stated smoke testing the sewer system started on Monday. He reported that the areas that were covered by the DNR grant were Briarbrook and Country Club. He also stated that Allgeier Martin sent a proposal if the city would want to expand the area and smoke test the entire town. The cost would be an extra \$39,600. City Clerk Maribeth Matney stated that if the council chooses to do the testing that there is money available in the I and I fund. There was much discussion on whether the city should test the entire town. Mike Burns stated that the budget and finance would need to meet 15 to 30 minutes before the next meeting on October 16 to discuss the financial options. Steve Lawver stated that he will have an ordinance available on the agenda in the event that the Council wished to vote at the next meeting.

#### **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JANITORIAL BIDS**

Steve Lawver stated that the bids have not yet been completed.

#### **DISCUSSION OF WATER METER PROPOSALS**

Steve Lawver stated that the proposal from SUEZ did not change at all. The Sensus proposal did change which included an additional \$44,700 for two more years for maintenance. Steve Lawver stated that the city would still be responsible for any upgrades to the billing system, which could be an unknown additional cost with Sensus. Steve Lawver stated that the city would also have to do their own installations for the MXU's as opposed to the included installation with the SUEZ proposal. Mayor Powers asked what will the upgrade do to the water rates. Steve Lawver stated though he cannot guarantee this at this time, there should be little to no increase on the water rates. Steve Lawver stated that he has previously presented the council with new proposals for increasing new construction fees regarding the sewer and water side. LaDonna Allen stated that it is her understanding that there is \$300,000 difference between the two proposals over the first 5 years. However, with SUEZ, any technology that is outdated within fifteen years will be replaced by SUEZ. With regards to SENSUS, the city may have to replace everything else again in five years. LaDonna Allen stated that she knows there is more money up front involved, but that overall, choosing the SUEZ upgrade would be a better investment. There was much discussion on whether the city should spend the money to upgrade the equipment, or spend the money to hire more personnel for manual readings. Steve Lawver stated that the accuracy from when the city did manual readings was poor. He stated that since the city upgraded to electronic meters the readings are much more accurate. Steve Lawver also stated that when the city manually read the meters, the Public works department would shut down for about a week due to taking readings. It was decided that Budget and Finance will be meeting to discuss the subject further before the next meeting on October 16 at 6:00 PM.

#### **ORDINANCES**

Randy Hutcheson motioned to put " AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF CARL JUNCTION, MISSOURI, BY ORDINANCE NO. 99-10 ON THE 18TH DAY OF MAY, 1999, AS AMENDED, TO REZONE 904 W BRIARBROOK LANE, CARL JUNCTION, JASPER COUNTY, MISSOURI OWNED BY ANTHONY AND JENNIFER WARMOTH, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE, FROM C-2 TO R-1" on 1<sup>st</sup> reading by title only. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed one Absent.

Discussion: There was none.

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

Discussion: There was none.

LaDonna Allen motioned to put it on final passage. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed one absent.

Flinn-yes, Marshall-absent, Zaccardelli-yes, Spencer-yes, Burns-yes, Hutcheson-yes Satterlee-yes, Allen-yes. Motion on Ordinance #18-37 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. There was no discussion.

Public Works –Richard Zaccardelli wanted to ask Jimmy about the Ward #3 and #4 water tower on South East side of Anita. Richard Zaccardelli states that he has had a few people complaining about water pressure. Steve Lawver stated he would ask Jimmy to check it out. Steve Lawver stated that Jimmy started on the additional 100' piping on Memorial Park. Steve Lawver stated that if the city decides to do the whole park that that it would only take an additional 200 ft.

Police Dept - nothing to add

Building Inspector –nothing to add

Court –nothing to add

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget/Finance: Mike Burns feels there is much to discuss and will be doing so on October 16, at 6:00 PM.

Code/ Nuisance: Randy Hutcheson- nothing to report.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer-nothing to report

Public Facilities & Planning: LaDonna Allen reported that they will have a meeting at 6:30 PM. before the first Council meeting in November.

Senior Citizens: Richard Zaccardelli reported to the audience about the menu and great activities at the Senior Center.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mike Burns stated that last month we were asked to decide between two proposals for a building that the city owns. He asked for an update on the activity. Steve Lawver stated that the new tenants have been working on building improvements.


LaDonna Allen stated that 3 years ago she called for a parks and recreation dept. She stated that she is glad the full board got to hear some of the concerns from the parents. She stated that 47 parents from one team showed up on one night to voice their concerns. LaDonna Allen stated that we as a city are not affiliated with BYAA, but as a city there are some concerns with some activities that has happened on our grounds. She stated that there are some situations that have happened that have left the city in a precarious situation. LaDonna Allen stated that the city requested financial information from the BYAA. She stated that the BYAA charges \$60.00 for youth soccer per child. Out of the \$60.00 by their own numbers, the BYAA is making \$47.75 from each child. For Basketball the BYAA charges \$60.00 from that \$60.00 they profit over \$39.00 per child. LaDonna Allen reported that the BYAA are using the city facilities and utilities for free. LaDonna Allen believes that the city could self fund a Parks & Recreation Department. She stated that she believes the city could provide an alternative, not do away with BYAA, but to cancel the contract that BYAA has with the city. LaDonna Allen feels that the city could run things more efficiently and there would be transparency. She feels that we should cut all ties with BYAA and cancel their contract by the end of the year and have a parks and recreation department in place by the first of next year. She stated that she has personally talked with Jesse Wall and that he is willing to work with the city and share resources. There was much discussion regarding the legal liability to the city if the BYAA continues to use city facilities and utilities. LaDonna Allen motioned to have Mike Tally review the current BYAA contract and give us his opinion on whether the contract can be canceled. LaDonna Allen stated that no matter what happens, parental involvement will be necessary. Randy Hutcheson feels that a code of conduct is a very good idea, and it would allow the city to take action if there is any misconduct.. Mike Burns 2nd the motion to have Mike Tally review the contract. and give us his opinion on whether we can cancel the contract. All in favor. No opposed one absent.

## NEW BUSINESS

City Clerk Matney needs to open another bank fund for court. The Court is starting to charge a time-payment fee. The monies are split between the state and the city. It is required for the money to go to a separate fund. The judge has the authority over how the money is spent and the money can only be spent on court. Rick Flinn motioned to let the city open an additional court fund.. 2nd by Richard Zaccardelli All in favor. No opposed one absent.

## ADJOURNMENT

LaDonna Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Roger Spencer seconded. All in favor. No opposed one absent. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR