The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday November 17, 2020 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mark Powers called the meeting to order with the following present: Bob McAfee, Rick Flinn, Richard Zaccardelli, Roger Spencer, Ladonna Allen, Mike Burns and Gary Stubblefield. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Attorney Mike Talley, City Clerk Maribeth Matney, Deputy City Clerk Alaina Wright and City Administrator Assistant Crystal Winkfield. Mark Satterlee was absent.

AGENDA

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

PUBLIC FORUM

Kelly Beets with MIRMA was present and told the board that the Police Department submitted for a grant for body camera and car cameras, and MIRMA is awarding the city \$2,877.00

CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE ELECTION HELD 11/3/20

Steve Lawver said the results for the public safety sales tax were 57.93% for and 47% against, and he said we only needed a simple majority to pass. It will be ½% added on and will be effective 4/1/21. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the election results. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AN LWCF GRANT

Steve Lawver said this is required for the grant application for the parks Crystal is working on. Mayor Powers asked when the grant must be submitted, and Steve Lawver answered February. LaDonna Allen motioned to approve the resolution to apply for the LWCF grant. Gary Stubblefield seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

REPORTS

The Council reviewed the Administration report. Mayor Powers asked about the lights for the outside basketball goals. Steve Lawver said they aren't up yet.

LaDonna Allen asked when we might hear from DNR for the permit for bank embankment project. Steve Lawver said he's not sure.

Mayor Powers asked if there has been any response from the FEMA appeal sent in. Steve Lawver said we are waiting to hear back from FEMA.

Public Works report – Jim Chaligoj said leaf pick up will start next week in Country Club Estates. He said they are starting sidewalks on Cowgill near Allen this week. Mayor Powers said he hadn't checked the drain on Fairway Drive. Jim said he has looked at it and it's good except there's one problem spot left that public works can fix if necessary. Richard Zaccardelli said about 90% of the oak leaves are down.

Police Dept. report - Delmar Haase stated there's not a lot going on. Three employees are back from quarantine and three more are out. He said there has only been one case of employee to employee spread. He said Shop with a Cop will be held December 19, but they are not sure of the format yet.

Court report - No discussion

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Budget/Finance</u>: Ladonna Allen got the bank statements and sales tax reports and everything looks to be in order. Budget meetings will begin in about two months for the new budget year.

Code/ Nuisance: Rick Flinn had nothing to report.

Human Resources: Roger Spencer had nothing to report.

Public Facilities & Planning: Mark Satterlee was absent.

Senior Citizens: Richard Zaccardelli said everything is the same.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Lawver received an update from the Jasper County Health Department. They can't give statistics for just the city limits, but the Carl Junction zip code has had three deaths, 597 total cases, with seven people hospitalized and 70 in isolation.

Steve Lawver said he received a proposal for new signage for the parks. He said the park signs are 10 years old and need to be replaced. He also said he has received a request from the seniors to put signage on the building for the senior center.

Mayor Powers said the "reduce speed ahead" sign on Briarbrook Drive needs to be replaced.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Powers mentioned the press release, which he said is the opinion of the mayors in those three cities regarding the letters received from hospitals. He said the hospitals want a mask mandate but they are not sure how to enforce the mandate. He said those mayors feel this is a personal responsibility issue. Mayor Powers said he has presented the board with a proclamation asking everyone to follow CDC guidelines, in lieu of a mask mandate. He would like a motion to approve the proclamation. Rick Flinn motioned to approve the proclamation as written. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent.

Mayor Powers informed the board he received a letter before the meeting, and Richard Zaccardelli is resigning from the board. He said there is a form that must be filled out for anyone interested and he would like to appoint someone by the next board meeting. Mike Talley said typically a letter is submitted to the board and they vote on accepting the resignation. Mike said the board can't act on a successor until they have accepted the resignation. Maribeth Matney asked if a special meeting could be held immediately following the regularly scheduled meeting on December 1 to approve a successor. Mike Burns asked if the seat was up for re-election in April. LaDonna Allen motioned to accept Richard Zaccardelli's resignation upon the adjournment of the 12/1 meeting. Roger Spencer seconded. Six in favor. No opposed with one absent and one abstaining. Mike Talley said the special meeting needs a definite time. Maribeth Matney said she can set that once the next agenda is set.

Maribeth Matney said December 15 is open filing for the April election. She said Mayor Powers, Mark Satterlee, Rick Flinn, Richard Zaccardelli and LaDonna Allen up for re-election.

Steve Lawver said we've starting getting health insurance quotes in. He said our current coverage with Anthem is going up 5%, last year there was no increase, and the year before there was a 3% increase. Steve said we are waiting on a second company who requested to bid.

Steve Lawver said Crystal had to put out a survey as part of the LWCF grant submission requirements. He said they received 144 response, and 120 of those were in favor of upgrades, 14 were not in favor, and 14 had no response with additional comments like where at and what are you planning.

Delmar Haase said the LEST grant applications will begin next month.

ADJOURNMENT

LaDonna Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rick Flinn seconded. All in favor. No opposed with one absent. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

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