

**CARTERVILLE WATER AND SEWER
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 19, 2018**

The Special Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mayor Bradley Robinson, Alderman Curt Oetjen, Mark Bollmann, John Geiselman, Carl Sisk; Water and Sewer Board Commissioners, Garry Wiggs; Public Works Director, and Amy Simpson; Board Secretary.

A roll call was taken.

Possible Purchase of Truck – *Mayor Robinson pulled up a picture of the 2008 Ford F350 4-wheel drive green truck. This truck is located at ASIA Motors, Inc in Stone Park, IL. Councilman Oetjen spoke about the problems with our current truck situation.*

Motion 1: *Bollmann moved and Geiselman seconded to approve the purchase of a 2008 Ford F350 pending the approval of Maintenance Department in the amount of \$15,170.00. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Secretary declared the motion carried.*

Discussion/Award of Water Meter Reading System Bid- *Bid Opening sheet shows the two bids both having alternate bid and bid according to specs. The alternate bid was with moving parts like the meters we have now. Schulte came in as the lowest bid and has a repeater (LAN) Network. They do not have their own frequency band and is not FCC licensed. First RFP came in around \$890,000 so these bids came in cheaper. This bid does include every meter we have with a brand new meter including 4" and 1" meters. Garry believes that 900 to 1000 would not have to be changed out. Battery warranty is 10 years. Councilman Oetjen discussed options of applying \$3.50 a month to each bill. That would bring in \$9,100.00 with a payment of \$8690.00; an extra \$410.00 a month to save and at the end of 10 years you would have \$49,200.00 in savings for maintenance. Mayor Robinson explained the rates would need to be in ordinance form and go before the City Council for approval.*

Motion 2: *Geiselman moved and Bollmann seconded to accept Core and Main bid in the amount of \$871,241.38 pending final details of financing. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Secretary declared the motion carried.*

Amy Simpson informed the board of an issue with Russell Harris at 125 Vera. He was shut off for non-payment on April 10, 2018. Mr. Harris did come in and pay his bill and the reconnect fee. Mr. Harris did turn on his water himself as Gage went to turn it on realized it was already on and Mr. Harris was standing in his doorway with a knife. Gage and Jerry went to police to report that the meter had been turned on illegally and the police dept began paperwork and delivered the ticket to Mr. Harris. He denied violating the ordinance to the police. Later I received a letter from Mr. Harris stating that he did turn it on and asked for forgiveness of the \$500.00 fine. The police department ticket states theft of services and Mr. Harris says he paid for the water, just didn't wait for the Carterville Water Department staff to turn it back on. Mayor Robinson will speak to attorney about the code/ordinance wording etc.

Mayor Robinson asked Amy to contact Tim Shade (Core and Main) to begin the financing processing to get the interest rate locked for 4-weeks as we do our part in figuring out the final billing and ordinance details.

Mayor Robinson instructed Amy not to give out bid opening information as of yet and will contact the attorney to advise at what point can bid information be released.

Councilman Oetjen asked that the contract with Lake Logan be pulled and figure out how the figures are determined. Crawford's office in the beginning calculated the billing amount based on partial occupancy.

Motion 3: *Geiselman moved and Sisk seconded to adjourn. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea and was dismissed at 8:09 pm. The Secretary declared the motion carried.*