# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Tuesday, May 10, 2022**
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL**

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers with Mayor Bradley M. Robinson presiding. He called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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| Bradley M. Robinson | Mayor | Present |
| Khristina Hollister | City Clerk | Present |
| Michele A. Edwards | Deputy City Clerk | Present |
| Mark Carney | City Treasurer | Present |
| John Allsopp | Alderman/Ward 3 | Present |
| William Edwards | Alderman/Ward 1 | Present |
| Phyllis Emery | Alderman/Ward 4 | Present |
| Tom Harness | Alderman/Ward 2 | Present |
| Teri Ingram | Alderman/Ward 3 | Present |
| Tom Liebenrood | Alderman/Ward 4 | Present |
| Curtis Oetjen | Alderman/Ward 2 | Present |
| Rod Sievers | Alderman/Ward 1 | Present |

*The Mayor declared a quorum present.*

Present at the meeting were: Ron Rains, Fire Chief, Ralph Graul, Building Inspector; Janice McConnaughy, citizen ; Jeff Kurtz, Citizen Advisory Member; Tom and Linda Vaught, Lakeshore Drive residents; Marvin Oetjen, Kamper Supply; Retia Watson, Secretary/Bookkeeper; and Mike and Ronda Robinson, citizens.

**Motion 1:** Edwards moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the minutes of the ***City Council Regular Meeting of April 12, 2022***. Roll call vote: Allsopp, yea; Edwards, yea; Emery, abstain; Harness, yea; Ingram, yea; Liebenrood, yea; Oetjen, yea; Sievers, abstain. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*Mark Carney, City Treasurer, presented the **Treasurer's Report for April 2022** with a total cash and investments of $4,958,640.19.*

**Motion 2:** Liebenrood moved and Harness seconded to approve the ***April 2022 Treasurer's Report*** as presented. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Recognition of Guests**

*Tom and Linda Vaught, Lakeshore Drive residents, complained about the state of the property at **302 Lakeshore Drive**. Alderman Allsopp indicated that Rhett Barke, City Attorney, has been contacted regarding this issue. Alderman Allsopp expressed a larger fine should be assessed against the property ($1,000.00). He stated the owners pay the fines but will not comply with the citations, so the City's only recourse is to further fine the owner. Mr. Vaught stated reported two trucks in the driveway with expired license. The Mayor stated the property has been posted for grass violation and they have five days to comply. Mayor Robinson clarified the property can be mowed by the City as early as Sunday. There was a lengthy discussion regarding a solution to this problem. The consensus of the Council is that this issue needs to be referred to the attorney for a solution up to and/or including condemnation.*

**Motion 3:** Sievers moved and Emery seconded to approve payment of the ***monthly bills*** as presented by the City Clerk. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Engineering Report**

*Donnie Smoot, Crawford and Associates, presented information on the **2022 MFT Program** including Oil and Chip; $5,000.00 for Culverts; $7,560.00 for Snow Removal, Strength and Base Rock; Zimmerman Storm Drainage $110,000.00; Striping of Grand (E & W)-Division-Greenbriar South to Route 13 and North on Cannon. NO Frontage Roads. He has preliminary figures for the 2022 program and he is preparing an IDOT resolution in an amount to be specified by the Council.*

**Motion 4:** Oetjen moved and Liebenrood seconded to approve a budget of $200,000.00 for the ***IDOT 2022 MFT Program***. All present voted yea, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Departments/Committees**

**Cannon Park (Community Building) and James Street Park**

*The Mayor introduced a request from **Tri-C Athletics** asking the City pay $400 per week for mowing to assist Tri-C Athletics. The Mayor suggested to Tri-C they mow and maintain the fields and the City would mow the remainder of the park. Tri-C representative Taylor McCann stated she did not feel their board would agree to this option. The Mayor pointed out the Carterville Soccer Association mows their playing surfaces at Cannon Park and the City mows the remaining property. The consensus of the Council is Tri-C Athletics should maintain the park during the time they have authority over the park fields while they are not charged for electricity, repairs, or a lease.*

**Motion 5:** Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to ***deny the request from Tri-C Athletics*** to contribute $400.00 per week for mowing at the park. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*The Mayor introduced the request from **SIH** for permission to hold a **5K Run to Succeed** to support mothers and families of newborns on September 24, 2022. The route: runners make the loop around the pond, onto Cannon Drive, Left on Cottonwood, Left on Dent, Right on James, Right on Forest, over to Pine, Right on Virginia, Left on Locust, Right on West Illinois, back to Dent Street, back to Cottonwood and return.*

**Motion 6:** Harness moved and Emery seconded to approve the ***SIH 5K*** to be held on September 24, 2022. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*The Mayor introduced a proposal to increase the damage deposit for the Community Center based on increased damage issues and increased replacement costs. The plan is to increase the current amount of $250, to an increased amount **of $500.00.***

**Motion 7:** Edwards moved and Emery seconded to approve a ***$500.00 deposit for the Community Center.*** All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*Trey Anderson, Carbondale Park District, contacted the Mayor regarding a **Special Recreation Activities Partnership** for the disabled. The Carbondale Park District receives funding for this partnership, but it must involve another municipality for advertising, promotion, etc.*

**Motion 8:** Harness moved and Emery seconded to ***table the SRA Partnership*** approval for additional information. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*The Mayor explained a request from **Anne West Lyndsey Library** asking for use of the Cannon Park walking path for a **Storywalk around Cannon Park Lake** for the Summer Reading Program.*

**Motion 9:** Harness moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the use of Cannon Park for the Anne West Lyndsey Library ***Storywalk around Cannon Park Lake*** during the 2022 Summer Reading Program. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

*There was a general discussion about the repairs needed at the **James Street Concession Stand and roofs of the dugouts**, based on the emails from Tri-C Athletics. The Health Department has completed their inspection and have issued a license.*

**Street/Maintenance Department**

**Motion 10:** Allsopp moved and Oetjen seconded to approve the purchase of a ***Bobcat 4K Heavy Duty Pallet Fork Frame and Teeth*** at a cost of $1,110.00 from Bobcat of Marion. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Police Department**

*The Police Chief, Mike Flaningam, was unavailable and the Mayor explained the **Police Department report** and indicated the detailed report is available by contacting the City Clerk.*

**Fire Department**

*Chief Ron Rains explained **monthly report.** In March there were **139** EMS calls and **17** Fire Calls for a monthly total of **156**. There is a **vacancy for a full-time firefighter.** We have two qualified applicants and interviews have been scheduled for the Public Safety Committee and the Merit Board. The Volunteers voted to purchase some equipment; Ambulance Service supported a color run 5k at Walker's Bluff; still completing monthly ambulance training; Fire Department is selling ribeye sandwiches at the Thursday night concerts at Cannon Park.*

**Cemetery**

*Alderman Harness reported on the **murals** being completed at the cemetery.*

**Codes Enforcement/Building Inspector**

*Ralph Graul reported that we have one large building permit for the Junior High School expansion and several pool and fence permits.*

*The Mayor discussed the **Second Annual Art Stroll** requested to occur on Saturday, September 10, 2022 (from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.) The Police Department has received a request from the Carterville Lions Club to move the Free Fair parade to 1:00 p.m.*

**Motion 11:** Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the **Second Annual Art Stroll** on Saturday, September 10, 2022 (time pending). All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried. *[The Council asked that both the Lion's Club and Suzann Shepard be consulted about times].*

**Motion 12:** Emery moved and Oetjen seconded to approve a budget of $1,000.00 for the ***downtown flowerpots.*** A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried

**Motion 13:** Liebenrood moved and Allsopp seconded to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 1545-22, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARTERVILLE REVIDING AND AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1306-11 AND ALL PREVIOUS ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AMENDING SAID ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF CARTERVILLE, ILLINOIS, REGULATING THE LICENSING OF ALCOHOIC LIQUOR.** A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 14:** Oetjen moved and Harness seconded to ***table the No Parking Ordinance*** for Paulie Drive. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 15:** Harness moved and Emery seconded to approve ***ORDINANCE NO. 1546-22, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND STREET REGULATIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY GOVERNING PARKING ON PLAZA DRIVE IN THE CITY OF CARTERVILLE, ILLINOIS*** *(implementation by July 1, 2022).* Roll call vote: Allsopp, yea; Edwards, yea; Emery, yea; Harness, yea; Ingram, yea; Liebenrood, yea; Oetjen, abstain; Sievers, yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 16**: Oetjen moved and Emery seconded to move to ***EXECUTIVE SESSON*** for the purpose of discussing personnel and acquisition of property. All present voted yea and the Council left at 8:57 P.M.

**Moton 17:** Emery moved and Sievers seconded to return to **REGULAR SESSION.** All presented voted yea and the Council returned at 9:46 p.m.

**Motion 18:** Allsopp moved and Sievers seconded to ***retain Jerry Hampton for 60 additional days*** as Street Superintendent. Roll call vote: Liebenrood, yea; Emery, yea; Ingram, yea; Allsopp, yea; Oetjen, yea; Harness, yea; Sievers, yea; Edwards, no. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 19:** Edwards moved and Allsopp seconded to authorize the ***purchase of property at 100 S. Division Street*** at a cost of $47,000.00. Roll call vote: Edwards, yea; Sievers, yea; Harness, no; Oetjen, yea; Allsopp, yea; Ingram, yea; Emery, yea; Liebenrood, yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 20:** Liebenrood moved and Sievers seconded to authorize the ***purchase of property at 102 S. Division*** at a cost of $24,000.00. Roll call vote: Edwards, yea; Sievers, yea; Harness, no; Oetjen, yea; Allsopp, yea; Ingram, yea; Emery, yea; Liebenrood, yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

**Motion 21:** Oetjen moved and Sievers seconded to ***purchase parcel #0503458006 on Idaho Street*** at a cost of $810.00 (from General Corporate Fund). Roll call vote: Edwards, no; Sievers, yea; Harness, yea; Oetjen, yea; Allsopp, yea; Ingram, yea; Emery, yea; Liebenrood, yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Curt Oetjen gave the ***Water and Sewer Board*** report as follows:

- *There were 133* ***delinquent accounts*** *in the amount of $20,888.49 (as of today we had 32 shutoffs and 19 customers are still off).*
- ***Water Loss: March:*** *Sold 19,882,120 gallons / Rend Lake bill not available at time of meeting*
- *The* ***waterline*** *that was proposed for* ***Weisbrook Lane*** *(just before COVID) was 2200 feet with a proposed price of $28,000 and today's price is $48,390.*
- *The Board approved* ***emergency manhole repair*** *for B & C Contracting o $798.75.*
- *The Board approved up to $12,000.00 for* ***VFD Drives for Influent pumps*** *with three lightning arresters.*
- *The Board approved up to $19,000.00 for* ***Effluent pumps VFD*** *with two lightning arrestors.*

- *The Board approved $1,200.00* ***for multiple riser rings*** *for several pots and up to $$3,000.00 to raise* ***Kamper Supply lift station*** *two feet.*
- *The Board approved up to $4,000.00* ***to plow, disk and plant the sludge field*** *at the 40 acres as requested by IEPA.*
- *The* ***Water Project Report*** *was that the estimated 150,000-gallon tank at the school as estimated at $525,000.00 and is now estimated at $850,000.00 and the 500,000-gallon tank was estimated at $950,000.00 and is now estimated at $1,400,000.00.*
- *The Board approved $40,000.00 to* ***Crawford and Associates*** *for engineering and $25,350.78 to* ***B&C Contracting*** *for the high-rate filer and $266,392.39 to* ***B&C Contracting*** *for last month*
- *Leak Credits: 1 for $65.82 and 2 Pool Credit for $67.74*

**REMINDERS:**

***City-Wide Cleanup*** *– North (May 17-18) South (May 24-25)*
***Sunset Concerts*** – Each Thursday at Cannon Park in April/May/June

**Motion 22:** Emery moved and Sievers seconded to **adjourn**. All present voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was dismissed at 9:58 p.m.

Khristina D. Hollister

**Khristina D. Hollister, City Clerk** **Next Ordinance No. 1547-22**

Bradley M. Robinson

**Bradley M. Robinson, Mayor** **Next Resolution No. R452-22**