CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

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 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Bradley M. Robinson	Mayor	Present
Khristina Hollister	City Clerk	Present
Michele A. Edwards	Deputy City Clerk	Present
Mark Carney	City Treasurer	Present
Devin Miller	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
Phyllis Emery	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Teri Ingram	Alderman/Ward 3	Present
John Allsopp	Alderman/Ward 3	Present
Curt Oetjen	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
Cindy Claunch	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Rod Sievers	Alderman/Ward 1	Present
Bud Edwards	Alderman/Ward 1	Present

The Mayor declared a quorum present.

Present at the meeting were: Jason Sheraden, Fire Chief; Morgan Lentz, City Secretary; Ralph Graul, Building Inspector; Marvin Oetjen, Kamper Supply; Rich Stevenson, Lion's Club President; Michael and Nancy Nilson, Citizens; Janice McConnaughy, Citizen; Retia Watson, Retired Secretary; Trent Johnston, 304 W. Grand Avenue; and Steve Johnson, Citizen Advisory Committee Member.

Motion 1: Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the minutes of the ***City Council Regular Meeting of August 8, 2023***. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 2: Ingram and Emery seconded to approve the minutes of the ***City Council Special Meeting of August 14, 2023***. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 3: Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the minutes of the ***Variance Hearing for 910 Farris Street*** held July 11, 2023. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 4: Emery moved and Miller seconded to approve the minutes of the ***Variance Hearing for 5693 Sycamore Road*** held Tuesday, July 11, 2023. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 5: Emery moved and Sievers seconded to approve the minutes of the ***Variance Hearing for 510 Washington*** held Tuesday, August 8, 2023. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mark Carney, City Treasurer, presented the ***Treasurer's Report for August 2023*** *with a total cash and investments of* ***$6,087,520.81.***

Motion 6: Oetjen moved and Ingram seconded to approve the ***August 2023 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

Rich Stevenson, ***President of the Carterville Lion's Club****, thanked the City Council, Fire Department and the Police Department for their help and cooperation during the Free Fair.*

Motion 7: Emery moved and Sievers seconded to approve payment of the ***monthly bills*** as presented by the City Clerk *(with the correction of vendor for the gasoline bill).* A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried. *(Alderman Oetjen mentioned that the FS bill was listed under an incorrect vendor).*

The Mayor explained the shading and color pages for the ***bill listings*** *that are presented to the City Council for approval.*

Engineering Report

Donnie Smoot, PSC Engineering, notified the Council that bids were opened last Friday for the Zimmerman drainage project and BC Contracting was the low bid at $179,911.00. The City allocated $200,000.00 for this project. This work will begin in November unless the Council wants a delay until after the first of the year. The Mayor indicated we can accept the bid so that material can be purchased and then determine a start date based on the weather, but this should be done as soon as possible.

Motion 8: Sievers moved and Oetjen seconded to accept the low bid from ***BC Contracting*** in the amount of $179,911.00 (Motor Fuel Special Funds) for the ***Zimmerman Street drainage project***. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 9: Oetjen moved and Edwards seconded to approve ***RESOLUTION R461-23, A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT APPLICATION WITH A BUDGET OF $250,000.00.*** A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 10: Edwards moved and Ingram seconded to approve the ***Variance Request from Trent Johnston*** for the Air BNB at 304 W. Grant. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried. *(The Zoning Board approved this request unanimously).*

Departments/Committees

Cannon Park (Community Building) and James Street Park

Motion 11: Oetjen moved and Sievers seconded to change the ***hours of operation for the Cannon Park Bark Park*** from dusk to the hours of operation for Cannon Park (which is ***9:00 p.m.***). All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Street Department

The Mayor explained a request for ***Culvert Replacement on McKinley Street.*** *The cost of this culvert will be $1,323.00.*

Police Department

*The Mayor presented the **Police Report** as the Chief is involved in a possible criminal case at the time of the meeting and was not available.*

*Police Department **monthly report** for August 2023:*

- There were **151** ***Officer Calls*** for Service in August (case number generated)
- There were **39** ***Officer Calls*** assisting other departments/jurisdictions in August
- ***13 Misdemeanors*** Committed /**5** ***Arrests***
- ***6 Felonies/6 Arrest***
- ***0 Drug Case/7 Closed Cases***
- ***3 Code*** *Enforcement Cases/**2 Warrants***
- ***4 Citations*** *(4 written/0 Verbal)*
- ***August 2*** *– MTU Meeting*
- ***August 1*** *– National Night Out*
- ***August 3*** *– Chiefs Meeting*
- ***August 5*** *– Applicant Testing*
- ***August 9*** *– Major Case Squad Meeting*
- ***August 10*** *– 5K Run/Walk Meeting*
- ***August 22*** *– MDT Meeting*

Motion 12: Allsopp moved and Miller seconded to approve the installation of ***a culvert on McKinley Street*** at a cost of $1,323.00. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Fire Department

*Chief Sheraden gave the monthly **report for August 2023**: **144 EMS Calls** (Carterville/91; Cambria/32; Crainville/7; Colp/10; Hurst/2; Other/2**);14 Fire Calls; Total calls for the year at 1249.***

*The Chief explained the need for the **installation of a dry hydrant** which can be installed by City personnel. Jerry Hampton and Jason Sheraden can complete the installation of these dry hydrants that feed from bodies of water rather than our water system. They would like to install approximately four or five hydrants and would like to start with a dry hydrant on Arbor Drive at a cost of approximately $1,200.00 for materials. The City has one dry hydrant at Cannon Park which was used in a downtown fire. This could possibly lower insurance rates based on ISO ratings (we are a 6 right now). This water is pumped through the fire truck and will provide up to 1500 gallons per minute.*

Motion 13: Oetjen moved and Edwards seconded to approve the ***installation of a dry hydrant*** on Arbor Drive at a cost of up to $1,500.00. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*The Mayor explained that the Fire Department in Rosiclare is interested in the **1987 Pierce Engine** and we need to declare this as surplus property so it can be donated to the Rosiclare Fire Department.*

Motion 14: Emery moved and Sievers seconded to declare ***the 1987 Pierce Fire Engine as surplus*** property for donation to Rosiclare. All present voted yea, and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Chief Sheraden explained the remaining costs for ***refurbishing the new ambulance*** *and would like approximately ~~$5,000.00 allocated~~ for this purpose. This vehicle should ~~be in service~~ by the end of the month.*

Motion 15: Emery moved and Sievers seconded to approve up to $5,000.00 for the purchase of ***materials for the new Ambulance***. All present vote yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 16: Miller moved and Edwards seconded to confirm the appointment of ***Morgan Gamble*** as a Full-Time Firefighter. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 17: Oetjen moved and Allsopp seconded to allocate $500.00 as a **budget for the Block Party** that occurred in May, 2023. All present voted yea and the aMayor declared the motion carried. *($483.96 was spent in May for this purpose).*

Southern Illinois Hunting and Fishing Days *at John A Logan College was discussed. The City sponsors this event by supplying an ambulance and personnel.*

Motion 18: Emery moved and Ingram seconded to approve the sponsorship to ***Southern Illinois Hunting and Fishing Days*** by supplying an ambulance and crew for the event. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 19: Oetjen moved and Emery seconded to move to **EXECUTIVE SESSION**. All present voted yea and the Council left at 7:50 p.m. to 8:04 p.m.

Motion 20: Allsopp moved and Miller seconded to return to ***REGULAR SESSION***. All present voted yea and the Council reconvened at 8:06 p.m.

Motion 21: Allsopp moved and Miller seconded to ***adjust Morgan Lentz*** salary to $16.00 an hour. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

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

- *There were 148* ***delinquent accounts*** *in the amount of $24,964.60 (Shut off five today/5 still off)*
- ***Water Loss: August*** *Sold 12,265,850 gallons / Purchased 115,759,000 for a loss of 3,493,150 gallons*
- *The Board approved a* ***sewer main repair on Lakeshore Drive*** *by Scutta Construction for $4,900.00.*
- *The Board approved* ***Rodd Street manhole repair*** *(including removal of bricks from bottom, recement bottom and bag line sides at a cost of $6,000.00*
- *The Board approved a* ***sewer main repair on McKinley Street*** *(3-point repairs – 537 ft. of 8" liner at a cost of $36,000.00*
- *The Board approved* ***Invoice #14 to PSC Engineering*** *for $40,000 for sewer plant design.* ***The new Sewer Plant is on track for funding in March, 2024.***
- *The Board approved emergency waterline repair on Pennsylvania at a cost of $18,675.00 and emergency waterline repair on Prentice at a cost of $19,675.00*
- ***LEAK CREDITS:*** *3 for $77.84* ***POOL CREDITS:*** *4 FOR $152.77*

REMINDERS:

Downtown Sunset Concert Series – 2ND and 4th Thursday in September
Downtown Gospel Night – Sunday, September 17, 2023

Motion 22: Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to **adjourn**. All present voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was dismissed at 8:14 p.m.

Khristina D. Hollister, City Clerk

Next Ordinance No. 1565-23

Bradley M. Robinson, Mayor

Next Resolution No. R462-23